

THE PEOPLE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC & THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

Please Stand And Greet Your Neighbors!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

One: Come, let all who worship the Lord
gather to sing and hear the Word!

Many: But our days have been hard and our spirits are near broken.

One: But the Lord God Almighty will deliver
and keep you as God's own.

Many: But times have been so hard, as though God has forgotten us.

One: Fear not, for the Lord your God is come
and God's kingdom is at hand.

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

* **SACRED MUSIC** #693 "Though I May Speak" NPH

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

O God, so often when life has been hard and situations have seemed impossible, we have turned away from the hope you would give us and chosen instead despair and sorrow. Too often, God, if things were unlikely by the world's standards, we would not believe. Forgive us, God, and help us always to lean on your wisdom and strength as our hope. In Christ we pray. Amen.

* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles' Creed**
(Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **GLORIA PATRI** (Unison) #581 NPH

* **THE PEACE** (Response: "And also with you.")

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING John 1:10-18 Pg. 91-92 NT

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

Children Leave For Church School Afterwards.

SERMON "The Word, Our God, With Us"
Chris Remick

* **SACRED MUSIC** #175 "Seek Ye First" NPH

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)

OFFERING

(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs as you exit the sanctuary following the worship.)

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER

(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison, Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

* **SACRED MUSIC** #694 "Great God of Every Blessing" NPH

* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

* **Congregation standing; as each person desires.**

Masks are welcome but not required, distance as you are comfortable.

*Following the worship service everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall
for conversation and a light repast.*

Virtual fellowship via Zoom will take place at 11:30 a.m.

PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer Mark and Nancy Brown, Gordy and Michelle Theisen on the death of his mother Mary, Carolyn O'Connor, Bill and Karen Parker, Rich Grayson, Alice Poole, Shirley Norton, Lew Shepard, Marilyn Coir, Christa Lyon, Nick Scelzi, Vern and Arvilla Aldous, Rich Denison, Scott McLain (father of Vicki), Nancy and Mark Brown, the Basford/Rodee Family, Josh Holbrook, Colleen Grant, Shirley Degouf-Brassard, Pam Constantine (sister of Barry Walch), Else Brown, Bill Parker's sister Rose Ann Manfredi, Janet Favro, Jody Upton and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; those serving our nation and their families who support them; parents raising children and children caring for parents.

Director of Music/Pianist Dr. Meagan Dissinger
Church School Director: Andrea Montgomery
Office Coordinator: Christy Dekay

The password for our church wifi network is: Lakew00d4331a
Password for the Zoom fellowship call at 11:30 a.m. is 3862570

AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

- Sunday 1/5/25 - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)
 - Rev. Mike off, Chris Remick to preach
 - Deacon and Food Offering
 - De-greening the Church (11 a.m.)
- Wednesday 1/8/25 - Women's Circle (7 p.m. LL)
- Sunday 1/12/25 - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)
 - Baptism of the Lord
 - Welcome Dr. Meg Dissinger!

Birthdays: Karen McAuliffe, Maria Peacock (Monday);
Emily Ames (Wednesday); Amanda Peacock (Thursday);
Rosalie Dekay, Jim Robertson (Friday)

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick & the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

ADVENT DOXOLOGY

To the tune of "O Come, O Come Emanuel"

Praise God from who all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye Heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Rejoice! Praise God!
From whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all Creatures here below! Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven,
give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the Kingdom
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.