

THE PEOPLE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC & THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME Michelle Theisen, Greeting Elder
Please Stand And Greet Your Neighbors!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT Kathleen Crecco, Director of Music & Pianist

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

One: Christ shall come, God's gift to the world:

Many: That the desperate should find hope -

One: That the persecuted should find peace -

Many: That the lonely should find love -

One: That the dejected should find joy.

Many: O Christ of the world, your time is now!

We wait, we watch, we wonder! Come!

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

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Anna, Alina, Walter, Jane and James Eller

* **SACRED MUSIC** #113 "Angels we Have Heard on High" NPH

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

We worship you, O God, who calls us at Advent beyond world-weariness. We worship you, who draws us at Advent to transcend fears that overtake us. We worship you, who reprieves us from seasons of being lost in life. We confess our need and gratitude for your love, protection, and gracious kindness. Through the coming Jesus. Amen.

* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

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

* **GLORIA EXCELSIS** (Unison, Refrain of "Angels We Have Heard On High")

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

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 13:24-37 Pg. 50 NT
Children Leave For Church School Afterwards.

ANTHEM

SERMON "Anticipaaaation" Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

* **SACRED MUSIC** #94 "Now The Heavens Start To Whisper" 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** (Inside Cover of Hymnal to Tune of "O Come, O Come")

* **SACRED MUSIC** #92. "While We Are Waiting Come" NPH

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(All are invited to share in the Sacrament of Communion.)

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution

Serving & Partaking of the Elements Together

Prayer of Thanksgiving

* **SACRED MUSIC** #100 "My Soul Cries Out" NPH

* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE (Seated)

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

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

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

Following the worship service everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall.

PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer Judy Gibson, Bob Fraser, PFC Hunter Montgomery serving in Iraq, Bill Webb, Marilyn Coir, Christa Lyon, Nick Scelzi, Bill and Karen Parker, Mark Erickson, Rich Denison, Anne Goetze, Scott McLain (father of Vicki), Carole Schumann (mother of Heidi Ames), Peggy Caswell (sister of Arvilla Aldous), Nancy and Mark Brown, Basford/Rodee Family, Josh Holbrook, Colleen Grant, Janet Favro, Jody Upton and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; and those serving our nation and their families who support them.

Director of Music/Pianist: Kathleen Crecco
Church School Director: Andrea Montgomery
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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

- Today 12/03/23
- In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)
 - Deacon & Food Offering
 - Farm Family Offering
 - Communion Sunday
 - Church Fellowship Zoom Meeting (11:15 a.m.)
 - Food Festival at Congregation Beth-El (11-3 p.m.)
- Tuesday 12/05/23
- Rev. Mike's Ordination Anniversary (31 years!)
- Wednesday 12/06/23
- PK Service (11 a.m.)
- Thursday 12/07/23
- Choir Practice (6:30 p.m.)
- Saturday 12/09/23
- CS Pageant Rehearsal (2-4 p.m.)
- Sunday 12/10/23
- In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)
 - CS Pageant During Worship
 - Potluck Brunch Following Worship
 - Church Fellowship & Zoom Meeting (11:15 a.m.)

Birthdays Jessica (Brown) Stumper, Giselle Kelly (Today);
Ellen Grayson, Brandon Bartley (Saturday)

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First Sunday of Advent

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