THE PEOPLE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC & THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME Joe Montgomery, Greeting Elder

Please Stand And Greet Your Neighbors!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT Kathleen Crecco, Director of Music & Pianist

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: God is waiting to come to us.

Many: We are waiting for God to enter our lives.

One: How shall we live while we wait for the world to change?

Many: What can we do? How shall we be?

All: We come to worship God as we wait for the new.

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Peggy, William and Julia Andes

- * **SACRED MUSIC** #123 NPH "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear" (1,2 & 5)
- * PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Guide us, Holy Parent, as we appraise the plethora of daily choices that deluge us. Give us clarity of purpose. Help our hearts to be clean. Give us the courage to find our own voices and then to speak out the words that will make a difference to those we care about. Through our Christ our Lord. 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

CHURCH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Special thanks to Andrea Montgomery and all the kids for their time and hard work. Thanks also to those who helped with costumes and rehearsal, and to the parents for making this all possible!



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** #128 NPH "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"
- * 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, Alice Poole, 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 Office Coordinator: Lynne HunterBeach

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 12/10/23 - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)

- CS Christmas Pageant

Potluck Brunch Following WorshipZoom Fellowship Call (11:15 a.m.)

Monday 12/11/13 - Session Budget Meeting (7 p.m.) CR

Wednesday 12/13/23 - Women's Circle (7 p.m.) LL

Friday 12/15/23 - Newsletter Deadline

Sunday 12/17/23 - Noisy Can Sunday/Name Tag Sunday

- In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)

- Zoom Fellowship Call (11:15 a.m.)

Birthdays Christa Lyon, Holly Miller (Today);

Brandon Rodee, Georgia Vose, (Tuesday);

Kenneth Gibson, Jessica Witherhead (Wednesday);

David Witherhead (Thursday); Evan Poole (Friday)

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