

Sunday, December 12th Third Sunday of Advent Christmas Concert at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, December 19th Fourth Sunday of Advent Christmas on the Lawn at 5:00 p.m. Friday, December 24th Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. Saturday, December 25th Christmas Day Sunday, December 26th Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m. One Morning Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. Friday, December 31st Youth New Year's Eve Overnighter

We are so glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. We hope that we lead you well in worshiping our great God and celebrating the incredible salvation that we have in Christ. We hope, also, that we love you well today and make you feel welcome. Please give us the opportunity to meet you today by joining us for coffee in between services or at the welcome desk out front.

December 12, 2021

We strive to be a Christ-centered community that advances the gospel by worshiping joyfully, making disciples, and serving others.

Order of Service

Sunday, December 12

5:00 p.m. *How Great Our Joy!* ~ Christmas Concert and cookie reception Monday, December 13 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Larry Williamson)

7:00 p.m.ACS Meeting7:00 p.m.Deacons' Meeting

Wednesday, December 15

6:30 p.m. Salt and Light (Emma Thatcher)6:30 p.m. Mid-week Service7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Nate Shockey)

Thursday, December 16 6:00 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

<u>Friday, December 17</u>

5:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship (Jim Wegener)

Upcoming Events

December 19	Christmas on the Lawn		
December 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight services (5:00 and 7:00 p.m.)		
December 26	Coffee Fellowship (10:00 a.m.)		
	One Morning Worship service (10:30 a.m.)		
December 31	Youth New Year's Eve Overnighter (Emma Thatcher)		

This Week's Missionary Tom and Catalina Nachtergaele, serving with MTW in Europe

This Week's Birthdays

December 15, Betsy Lay; December 18, Phil Dunn; December 21, George Stanley; December 23, Caroll Downing; December 25, Bob Lay

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Welcome and Announcements

Reflecting on Our Baptism Remembering our sins have been washed away and we've been united to Jesus and to each other

Call to Worship: (Lighting the Advent Candle): Psalm 13; Isaiah 9:2-7 Hearing God's invitation to enter his presence and worship him

*Songs of Praise: My Soul Magnifies The Lord Entering God's presence with thanksgiving and praise

Call to Confession: Romans 2:21-23 Recalibrating our hearts away from our failures and wanderings back toward Jesus

*Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:18-21; Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come (Hymn #195); Hark! the Herald Angels Sing (Hymn #203) Celebrating God's forgiveness through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ

Giving of Tithes and Offerings Remembering all we have comes from God, belongs to God, and is to be used for God's glory

Pastoral Prayer Giving our cares and burdens to the Lord and finding mercy and grace for our times of need

*Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:18-25 (p.807)

Morning Message

Confessing our Faith: Heidelberg Catechism #1; God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen (Hymn #211) Reminding ourselves and each other what we believe about God, Jesus, ourselves, and our world

The Lord's Table

Feeding our faith and union through the weekly practice of sharing bread and juice together

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Hymn #194) Asking Jesus to return soon

*Benediction

Receiving God's blessing as he sends us out to live and love like Jesus

*Please stand as you are able. Please silence all cell phones and devices.