

Sunday, December 6, 2020

Order of Worship

Prelude "Gentle Shepherd" by: Gaither

Welcome and Announcements

If you wish, on the first Sunday of every month, anyone who has a birthday or anniversary during the month, can place a donation to the "little church" to help fund the Flower and Landscaping Fund.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Dave Piehl

*Opening Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" vs. 1, 2

1. Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

2. Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

*Call to Worship:

Leader: Listen! The voice of God calls out across the ages.

People: We hear and respond. We rise up to Worship God from the valleys, the mountains, and the plains.

Leader: Like a shepherd God leads us and tenderly gathers us together.

People: Comfort, comfort O my people says our God of love.

All: The grass withers and the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever!

*Morning Prayer:

As the voice cried out in the wilderness, God, you enter our lives and call to us to be open to hearing the cries of people who feel lost and alienated, who feel that no one cares or ever will care about them. We have been given that opportunity to reach out through the ministries and mission of our church bringing hope and peace to all. Get us ready to become pathways of peace and life-transforming love in your name. It is in the spirit of Jesus' name that we pray. Amen.

Special Music "I Hear the Prophet Callin' " Trio by: Millie Frambaugh, Dave Piehl, Elaine Mravetz

Children's Message "Angels Among Us" Pastor Jane

Children to remain seated in pews during message and for the service.

Prayer Concerns and Praises

Silent Prayer

Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning; is now and ever shall be: World without end! Amen, Amen!

Prayer of Illumination

All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Dave Piehl

Isaiah 40:1-11

Mark 1:1-8

Sermon

“Company’s Coming, Let’s Clean Up This Mess!”

Pastor Jane Piehl

Offering

Please place in offering plate at door

Moment of Reflection

Sharing in the Lord’s Supper

*Closing Hymn “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” Vs. 1, 3

1. Hail to the Lord’s Anointed, great David’s greater Son! Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free; to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

3. He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth; love, joy, and hope like flowers, spring in his path to birth. Before him, on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go, and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

Benediction

“God Be with You”

God be with you til we meet again; by his counsels guide uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

“Angels from the Realms of Glory” by: Smart

Upcoming activities:

12/5	8a	Radio Test Group
	10a	Book Club
12/6	6p	Caroling at Labyrinth
12/8	7p	<i>Incarnation</i> Study
12/12	8a	Men’s Study Group



Poinsettia Order Form

Our sanctuary will be decorated the Sunday before Christmas with Poinsettias ordered by members of our congregation in honor of, in memory of, or to celebrate loved ones. You can also purchase one to be given to a homebound individual. The names of donators will be listed in an insert in the bulletin.

Poinsettias may be ordered for \$9.00 each using the following form. You may place the order form with payment in the collection plate on Sundays, return to the office by drop off or email, pay online, or give to Nancy Baldwin. If you pay online please let the office know and send form with info by email or drop off. Orders for poinsettias will be taken until Dec. 13th.

You may take the poinsettias home after Christmas Eve, Sundays following Christmas, pick up during office time at church, or have dropped off at your home by request.

Poinsettia \$9.00 Quantity ordered_____

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