

**Morning Worship
Sunday in Christmastide**

10:30 A.M. December 27, 2009

Prelude (Titles of our organ Prelude, Offertory, & Postlude are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer this morning.)

Greetings and Announcements
Call to Worship Jack Pyper
Introit "We Would See Jesus"

Invocation (Unison)
Lord and Maker of all, you are our light and our salvation: keep us connected to you, in that joy which nothing can take away. Lord Jesus Christ, oh bright and morning star: shine on us, and fill us with your humility, wisdom, and grace. Holy Spirit of God: enlighten our minds, and empower our wills, so that we may follow our Savior, joyfully and gratefully, all the days of our lives. Amen.

*Hymn "Angels We Have Heard on High" **23**

Service of Confession

Silent Prayers
Prayer of Confession (Unison)
Lord God, you gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ, Emmanuel. But we still fail to trust that you are with us, in all places and circumstances of human life. We still fail, at times, to incarnate his saving love and sacrifice, for this troubled world. So we turn to you to forgive, to encourage, we pray, and to continue to transform us, into the likeness of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon
The Lord's Prayer (Debts)
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.

Choral Response

Responsive Reading Psalm 148

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the heights!

**Praise him, all his angels, praise him, all his host!
Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!**

Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the Lord! For he commanded and they were created.

And he established them for ever and ever; he fixed their bounds which cannot be passed.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers on the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children!

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!

Service of Giving

*Hymn "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child" **27**
*Sentences
Tithes and Offerings
Offertory
*Doxology 592
*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Service of Reflection

Children's Message Patrick Walker
Scripture Colossians 3: 12-17
*Hymn "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" **22**
Gospel Luke 2: 41-52
Anthem "Praise ye the Lord" Saint-Saëns

Sermon Patrick Walker
Pastoral Prayer
*Hymn "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" **38**
*Benediction
*Congregational Response
**Christian, rise and act thy creed,
Let thy prayer be in thy deed;
Seek the right, perform the true,
Raise thy work and life anew. Amen.**

*Postlude
Dismissed to our service in the world

*Standing

Serving Today

Acolyte Claire Rapp
Ushers Robert Rapp - Captain, David Hall,
Heidi Hall, Mark Bettner
Guest Minister Patrick Walker
Reader Jack Pyper
Nursery Kim Smith
Junior Church Lori Wilson

This Week

***Please note that there is no
Sunday School today. It will resume next
Sunday, January 3, 2010, at 9:30 a.m.***

Today 9:30 a.m. Senior Choir
10:30 a.m. Service of Worship
Nursery provided
11:30 p.m. Coffee Hour

Notices

Please remember to check the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the back hallway, to see if we need help on Sunday mornings in coming week.

WELCOME!

We welcome Patrick Walker to our pulpit this morning. Patrick is with Church World Services in Harrisburg.

ANNUAL REPORTS DUE

A Big Thank You to all those who have turned in their reports early. If not submitted yet, please get them to the office asap, so they can be compiled, sent to the printer and ready for the Annual Congregational Business Meeting, Sunday, January 10, 2010



Annual Meeting of the Church

Following worship on **Sunday, January 10, 2010** will be the annual congregational meeting. Mark the date for this important meeting. Acceptance of reports, election of Church Officers and Deacons and adoption of a budget will be our business.



Ecumenical Winter Retreat "In the Light of the Moment Living at Home With Ourselves"

The 38th annual Ecumenical Winter Retreat will be held **January 22-24, 2010** at Wesley Forest in western Union County about 25 miles from Lewisburg. The theme will be "In the Light of the Moment". Our leader will be Mary L. Wade, minister, poet, organization founder and world traveler. Mary is a powerful yet warm presence with a wealth of life experience. Your life will be enriched by sharing a weekend with her. A brochure giving further details of the weekend is available at the church office. Don't miss this one! Save the dates now and plan to enjoy this stimulating and enjoyable weekend with friends.

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For Your Prayer

Ken Bollinger, Violet Dietrich, Judy Ellis, Herman Howard Jr., Mike Lucas and Betty Siler are at home. Bill Bobb is at RiverWoods.

Beverly Fisher, Evelyn Reed, and Helena Rivoire are at RiverWoods. Janet VanBuskirk is at Riverview Manor. Harriet Littell is at ElmCroft. Gloria Miller is at Rolling Hills Manor. Frank Molinaro is at Orangeville Nursing Home.

Prayer Chain

If you are interested in being part of a prayer chain, please contact Jan Rolecki at 523-6074 or Kathryn Morris at kmorris1@dejazzd.com.

Yearly Church Envelopes

2010 subscription envelopes are in the foyer. Please put your name on the first few envelopes.



Christmas Eve

Thursday, December 24 at 7:30 p.m. will be the Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion Service. **The Music Prelude will start at 7:15 p.m.** Choir rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. The time of the service was incorrect on the calendar in your December newsletter, **correct time is 7:30 p.m.**

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