

**Morning Worship  
Nativity of Our Lord**

10:30 A.M. December 25, 2011  
Prelude (Titles of our organ Prelude Postlude are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer this morning.)

Greetings and Announcements  
Call to Worship

Introit "Fanfare for Christmas Day" Shaw  
Invocation (Unison)

**God With Us, present as Creator, Savior, and Spirit, we thank You for the miracle of Christmas. Bless us with the power to hold onto the hope and good will of this season, and to live in its light throughout the coming year. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.**

\*Hymn "On This Day Earth Shall Ring" 41

**Service of Confession**

Silent Prayers  
Prayer of Confession (Unison)  
**Almighty God, revealed through the life and teachings of Christ, we confess that we have not always lived as the new person Christ is making us. We have resisted prayer, and indulged our pride. Cover our sin with Your love, and free us to begin, once again, to strive to be disciples. In Jesus' Name we pray, 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** Isaiah 52: 7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good tidings, who publishes peace, who brings good tidings of good, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

**Hark, your watchmen lift up their voice, together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion.**

Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem.

**The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.**

**Service of Giving**

\*Hymn "Good Christian Friends Rejoice" 28

\*Sentences  
Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory Music Murcek Family  
\*Doxology 592  
\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

**Service of Reflection**

Children's Message  
Scripture Hebrews 1: 1-12  
\*Hymn "O Come, All Ye Faithful" 41  
Gospel John 1: 1-5, 9-14, 16-18  
Anthem "What Strangers Are These?" arr. Purvis  
Catherine, Robby, Sarah Murcek

Sermon "Children of God"  
Pastoral Prayer

Solo  
\*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 Lindsey Barrick  
Ushers Robert Rapp, David Hall,  
Heidi Hall, Mark Bettner  
Greeter  
Reader  
Coffee Hour Martha Barrick  
Guest Organist Judy Blee

**This Week**

Today 9:30 a.m. Senior Choir  
10:30 a.m. Service of Worship  
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour  
Monday Office Closed for Christmas  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Annual Reports due in office

**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 weeks.

**Annual Reports Due**

Annual reports are due in the office no later than **9:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 28th** so they can be compiled, sent to the printer and ready for distribution Sunday, January 8 before the Annual Congregational Business Meeting on January 15. They may be submitted via e-mail or written.

**Thank You**

Thank you to Alan & Martha Barrick, Gib & Barb Loyd, Diane Meixell, Judy Mickanis, and Jack Pyper for decorating the church for Christmas.

Thank you to Karen Roessler and Lisa Scott for the Christmas Pageant; and Judy Mickanis and Ruth Blankenship for the Luncheon and Program.

## Holiday Poinsettias

The poinsettias decorating the church for the season, which may be taken home after services Christmas Eve, have been given by: Jan Rolecki, Gayle & Bill Pepper, Audrey & Art Borden, The Barrick Family, The Wilson Family, Sallie & Jack Pyper, and  
In Memory of Jessie Soars  
In Memory of Denny Bowers  
In Memory of Don Foreman  
In Memory of Mike Lucas  
In Memory of Assunda Rotolo  
In Memory of Earl Maxfield  
In Memory of Lillian Sones  
In Memory of Harry Rose by the family  
In Memory of Bud & Helen Ranck by the family  
In Memory of Kay Nesbit by Barb & Gib Loyd  
In Memory of Donald & Elsie Young, Rev. Andrew & Margaret Young, Percy & Ruth Wilson by Cathy, Don & Peg Young  
In Memory of Rev. Jesse Blankenship by the family  
In Honor & Memory of loved ones by Betsy Henkelman  
In Memory of Fay, Ted & Ron Morris by the family  
In Honor of Frank & Violet Dietrich by the Morris family  
In Honor & Memory of family by Mimi Dow  
In Memory of John Zeller by the family  
In Memory of Peg Bryan & Mary Jane Stevenson by the Zeller family  
In Honor of lost Family by the Rojo-Ash family  
In Honor of our angel babies by the Rojo-Ash family  
In Memory of loved ones by the Meixell family  
In Memory of John & Sarah Mauger & H. Elmer Warner  
By Paul & Pam Mauger  
In Memory of Herman W. Howard III by the Howard family  
In Memory of Roger Libby & Suzanne Meixell by the Spangler/Libby family  
In Memory of Robert J. Rapp, Sr. and in Honor of Audrey & Art Borden by the Rapp Family  
In Memory of Paul Rowe, Mary Scott & Margaret MacKenzie by the Scott family  
In Memory of David H. Hall by the Hall Family  
In Memory of loved ones by the Pangburn family

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## For Your Prayers

Please remember Lori Wilson and her family. Lori's father Fred Mercer has been very ill. Ben Austin, Lynda Blankenship Barrett, Peg Budd, Tamara Gerasimova, Russ Mayberry, and Steve Rotolo are at home. The Rev. Gordon Kurtz is at Maitland Manor Nursing Home. Bill Bobb at Riverview Manor. Chet & Margaret Jump at RidgeCrest. Beverly Fisher at RiverWoods. Cookie Goodall & Harriet Littell at Elmcroft. Gloria Miller at Rockwell.

## Memorial

Our thought and prayers are with the family and friends of Herman W. Howard Jr., who passed away early Tuesday, December 20, 2011.

## Sunday School Resumes 1-8-2012

There will be no Sunday School Sunday, December 25, 2011 and Sunday, January 1, 2012. Regular classes will resume Sunday, January 8.

## Office Closed

The Church office will be closed Monday, December 26 for Christmas day. It will also be closed January 2 for New Year's.

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