

## GATHER JOYFULLY

### Welcome, Announcements, Quiet Time

Malissa Garcia

### \*Call to Worship

Liturgist: Lee Lahr

Leader: I am bringing you good news of great joy for all people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.

People: **Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!**

### \*Song (wall)

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Hymn 41

### Lighting of the Advent Wreath The Bagwell & Sutera Families

(Amanda, Connor, & Collin Bagwell and Emma & Landon Sutera)

### Advent

*Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Emmanuel. - Isaiah 7:14*

### Carol (wall)

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Hymn 2

### Angels Appear to Mary

*In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary....the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus..." "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God..." "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said, "Then the angel left her. - Luke 1:26-38*

### Carol (wall)

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Hymn 9

### Angels Appear to Joseph

*This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to son, and they will call him Emmanuel"- which means, "God with us."- Matthew 1:18-23*

### Carol

"Joy to the World!"

Hymn 40

### Birth of Christ

*In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world...And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.*

- Luke 2:1-7

### Carol (wall)

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Hymn 44

## GROW SPIRITUALLY

### Prayer of God's People, Lord's Prayer, Choral Response

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.

### Call for Offering

### \*Doxology (together)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### Prayer of Dedication

### Shepherds

*And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find the baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men..." - Luke 2:8-15*

### Carol (wall)

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

Hymn 22

## Wise men

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him." ...Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him." After they had heard the king, they went their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. - **Matthew 2:1-2, Matthew 2:7-11**

**Carol** (wall) "We Three Kings of Orient Are" Hymn 66

## God Reached Down Reflection

### For to Us a Child Is Born

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this. - **Isaiah 9:6-9**

## GO FAITHFULLY

**\*Benediction** Malissa Garcia

**\*Response** (all sing) "Go Tell It on The Mountain" Hymn 29  
(Refrain Only)

\*Congregation stands. If standing is difficult, please remain seated.

Large print bulletins are available. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

Listening devices are available. They are in the center entryway to the Sanctuary. A small step-by-step instruction page is there to help you.

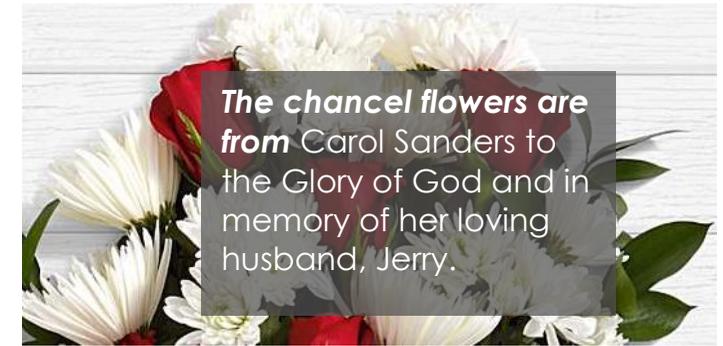
## December/January

Sunday -30
<b>10:15</b> Worship – <b>Lessons and Carols</b> <b>10:30</b> No Sunday School or Nursery
Monday - 31
<b>Office open ½ day</b>
Tuesday -1
<b>Office Closed</b> <b>Happy New Year!</b>
Wednesday - 2
<b>Office Open</b> <b>5:30</b> Daisy Troop (FH) <b>6:30</b> Venture Crew (104)
Thursday - 3
<b>7:00</b> Choir <b>7:00</b> OA (LIB)
Friday - 4
<b>1:00</b> Quilting for Comfort(104)
Saturday -5
<b>10:00</b> OA (LIB)
Sunday – 6
<b>10:15</b> Worship – <b>Epiphany</b>

The office will be open from 9am – noon on Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> to receive any end of year donations.

## PRAYERS

Dick & Iris T.	Mike C.	Bill G.
Nancy	Joan M.	Kim
Mark	Jayne	Barbara S.
Lee D.	Rich S.	Robert W.
Derek A.	Joe S.	Matt K.
Mollie M.	Diane S.	Ita R.
Jean S.	Lisa W.	Scott T.
Merv M.	Marsha G.	Kathy B.
Ricky C.	Bill M.	Gail K.
Mary L.	Susan	Charlotte



### Dec. F.E.A.S.T. Items

- Condiments
- Body Wash
- Shampoo

### Jan. F.E.A.S.T Items

- Coffee/Tea
- Toilet Tissue
- Paper Towels

