

WORSHIP CELEBRATION **December 11, 2011, 10:45 a.m.** **“Faith for the Future Continues!”** **Third Sunday of Advent**

Organ Prelude

“How Great Our Joy”

Arr. Jones

Lighting of the Candles
Chimes

Welcome & Announcements
Registration of Attendance

(Please use the red pads provided near the center aisle and pass them along your pew. Thank you!)

+Call to Worship

Leader: “For a child is born to us, a Son is given to us!

People: And the government will rest on His shoulders.

Leader: These will be His royal titles: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace!

People: Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end!”

Leader: Let us praise the Lord!

People: The Lord’s name be praised!

+Hymns of Praise

“Hark the Herald Angels Sing”

#277

Lighting the Shepherds’ Advent Candle (Joy)

Josh, Tara and Brooklyn Nicole Shelley

+Greeting

“Enmanuel”

#243

+The Unison Scripture Reading (together please!)

“In the beginning the Word already existed. He was with God, and He was God. He was in the beginning with God. He created everything there is.

Nothing exists that He didn’t make. Life itself was in Him, and this life gives light to everyone. The light shines through the darkness and the darkness can never extinguish it.

So the Word became human and lived here on earth among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen His glory, the glory of the only Son of the Father.

We have all benefitted from the rich blessings he brought to us--- one gracious blessing after another! For the law was given by Moses but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ!” (John 1:1-5,14,16-17)

+Please stand

The Silent Prayers of Confession and Intercession
The Morning Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

“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

“Amen”

Anthem

“For Unto Us A Child Is Born”

Arr. Fettke

Receiving of Tithes & Offerings
Offertory

“The Birthday of The King”

Piano/Organ

+Doxology

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

#815

Children’s Message

“Luther’s Christmas Present”

Puppeteers: John Fitzgerald and Dawn Curtis

+Hymn

“Once in Royal David’s City”

#286

The Message of the Scriptures

Ruth 2 (selected verses): Matthew 1:5-6,16

The Morning Message
“The Christmas Story According to Ruth!”

Pastor Kevin Wood

+Hymn

“The First Noel”

#265

+Invitation

(Anyone who may be ready to receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, re-dedicate their lives to Christ, join the church, or request special prayer is invited to come forward and meet with the pastor during the hymn)

Congregational Meeting to Elect New Elders (Class of 2014)

+Benediction

+Postlude

“I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day”

Piano/Organ

+Please stand



Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital



On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Reba Smith; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Mary Cregger; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff (in Brakebill); A. R. Wood; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bud & Betty Hickman; Jackie Turbbeyville (Jim Curtis's niece); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Lucas Lacascio (former student of Wendy Goodrich) battling a recurrence of a brain tumor; Jessie Black (Ann Bachman's mother, cancer); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); J.B. & Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis parents); Ann Redding (Andrea Gollither's mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Richard H. Zimmerman (Richard Zimmerman's father); Marlena Livesay, daughter of Sara Woodcox (Pastor's neighbor); Steve G Williams; Tom Holbert (Bonnie Holbert's son, cancer); Ann Jennings (friend of Greg Beeler, terminal cancer); Colonel Bob Long, USAF (retired), cancer and Colonel Bud Day, USAF (Ret). POW VIETNAM (friends of Cliff Parrott); Phil Bridges, recovering from heart attack and stent; Andrew Montgomery (cousin of Alice Montgomery) who has cancer; Dick Booher.

Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list. Call 588-8581 or email firstpc@earthlink.net.

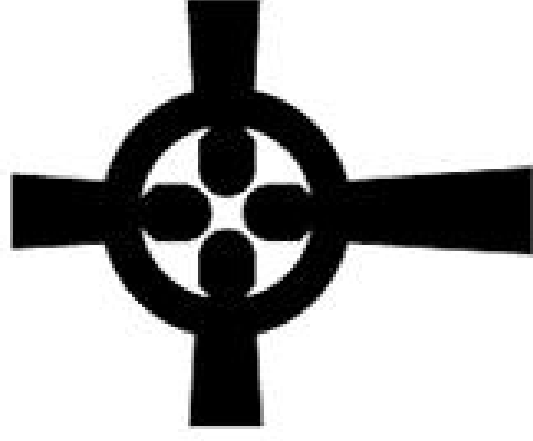
Activities for December 11-17, 2011

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
Tues.,	11:00 a.m.	West Circle
	7:00 p.m.	Session
Weds.,	11:00 a.m.	Friendship Club-Copper Cellar
	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thurs.,	7:30 p.m.	Dance Class
Sat.,	1:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
	3:00 p.m.	Youth & Children's Christmas

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

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