THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

December 22, 2013

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11:00 a.m.

We believe that worship is essential to our faith. When we gather, we gather in the midst of God. His Spirit inspires us and directs our fellowship with each other and with Him. May you find the joy of God's love and grace as we share this time together.

We would also ask that in consideration of other worshipers, please turn off, or switch to silent mode, all paging and cellular devices.

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any usher.

WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS and MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Vince and Glennis Helmintoller

Old Testament Reading - Isaiah 40:1-5 New Testament Reading - John 3:16-18

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP Joy to the World, Noel! Fettke

INVOCATION Christa Warise

*HYMN NO. 100 Angels We Have Heard on High GLORIA

CHILDREN'S TIME Jeff Allen

*HYMN NO. 102 The Birthday of a King NIEDLINGER

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Chris Morris

OFFERTORY O Holy Night! arr. Phillips

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS Doxology OLD 100TH

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.

**ELIZABETH Donna Beeson

**INNKEEPER N'Earl Godwin

ANTHEM O Little Town of Bethlehem arr. Raney

**JOSEPH Jim Pernell

**MARY Melissa Keltner

ANTHEM How Great Our Joy! Courtney Karen Zimmerman, violin; Kimberly Zimmerman, cello

**SHEPHERD Mitch Edmonds

ANTHEM And the Angels Sang Spevacek

Angels on high sing, "Gloria, Gloria in excelsis." Spreading good new across the land, "Gloria in excelsis.' Hear their songs break forth through valleys and hills and mountains.

Hear the music echo and ring while spreading news to all nations.

"Gloria, Gloria!"

**WISE MAN Tom Hurst

ANTHEM Under the Stars Holstein

Under the Stars one holy night, a little babe was born.

Over his head a star shone bright, and glistened 'til the morn.

And wise men came from far away, and shepherds wandered where he lay upon the lowly bed of hay.

Under the stars one night.

Under the stars one blessed night, the Christ Child came to earth. And through the darkness broke the light of morning at his birth. And sweet hosannas filled the air, and guardian angels watched him Where the Virgin Mother knelt in prayer under the stars one night. Under the stars this happy night, we wait for him once more.

Under the stars this happy night, we wait for him once more. And seem to see the wondrous sight the shepherds saw of yore.

O Baby born in Bethlehem come to us as you came to them, and crown us with love's diadem, Under the stars one night.

INVITATION TO COMMITMENT

Pastor

*HYMN NO. 101 Gentle Mary Laid Her Child TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM

*BENEDICTION Pastor

POSTLUDE Tell the Good News arr. Smith

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^{*}Those who are able are asked to stand.

^{**}All monologues by The Skit Guys

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today

9:00 a.m. Re:Creation Worship Service
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
1:30 p.m. Prison Ministry - Downtown Jail

Tuesday

Office Closed 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday

Office Closed

<u>Saturday</u>

7:00 a.m. A Men's Bible Study

Worship Nursery Workers Today, 9:00: Carolyn Ely, Sarah Talley, Melanie Alexander, Beth Hinesley, Bernice Hudspeth. Vickie Sprinkle, Sarah Hauser

Worship Nursery Workers Today, 11:00: Trudy Elkins, Angie Bonner, Marla Andrews, Scott Andrews

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