

**OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Pastor

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

December 31, 11:00 AM

PRELUDE (Time for preparation)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP by Christina Rossetti

\*HYMN "We Three Kings" #166

\*CONFESSION OF SIN: "We confess, Lord, that we look for redemption everywhere but with you. We place our trust in people and institutions, believing that they will give us what we seek. We seek for security in possessions and bank accounts, and we rely upon our own abilities rather than on your grace. May we, like the wise men of long ago, turn to you instead, and allow no obstacle to hinder our devotion and praise. We pray in Christ's name. Amen."

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Luke 1:68-79

\*GLORIA PATRI (Song of Praise) #623

SPECIAL MUSIC

OLD TESTAMENT (Unison): Psalm 118:15-29

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Mark 3:20-35

CHILDREN'S TIME

\*HYMN "How Great our Joy!" #144

SERMON "Don't Tame Jesus"

\*HYMN "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" #138

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (back cover of hymnal)

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY (Song of Dedication) #626

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*APOSTLES CREED (back cover of hymnal)

\*BENEDICTION (Closing Blessing) from Hebrews 12:2 & Philippians 1:6  
(Response: "...And build each other up.")

\*CLOSING SONG "What Can I Give Him?" #154

(\*) If you are able, please stand.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Leading Worship This Morning:  
Scripture Reader: Lorene W.  
Children's Time: Jess S.

Today is the last day to pick up Christmas cards from the exchange. Unclaimed cards will be discarded.

We will ordain and install new officers during worship on next week.

The deacons and session will have their annual joint meeting after worship next week. The deacons will then continue with their regular monthly meeting.

We will hold our 13<sup>th</sup> annual Lego Tournament on Saturday, January 13, 10:00-2:00. Please use the flyers in the lobby to invite young creators. We also need several people to assist with registration and with lunch. Speak with Peter if you'd like to lend a hand.

We will celebrate communion on January 14.

The Evans City Food Bank is accepting puddings for January.

Each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in January our church will be supplying desserts for Southern Butler County Meals on Wheels. About 60 desserts are needed. They do not have to be the same thing. Any questions call or text Linda M. 724-816-2665. I will be happy to deliver any desserts you bring to church on Sunday. Thank you from the clients of Meals on Wheels. P.S. several members and neighbors of Old Union do receive meals.

### Special Prayers of Concern:

Louise S.  
Jim P.  
Josh K.  
Maggie D.  
Ed & Jeanne C.  
Betty L.  
Dolly K.  
Joan T.  
Howard B.  
Josh H.

### Mission Co-Workers:

Myoung Ho Yang & Yoo Ji Yeon, Thailand

### Military:

Jeremy H.  
Matthew David M.  
Justin T.  
Scott F.  
Glen P.  
Will B.  
Jacob H.  
Christian C.  
Ryan W.  
Hunter M.  
Christopher H.  
Arthur B.  
Kevin E.  
Danner C.  
Daniel B.  
Spencer K.  
Luke O.  
Addison D.  
Colton V.