

**OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

November 28, 2021

PRELUDE (Time for preparation)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 50, selected verses

\*HYMN "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" #123

\*CONFESSION OF SIN (Unison): "Eternal and gracious God, we pursue power, money, and influence, but you come to us in the weakness of the manger. We covet material gifts, but you offer us the everlasting gift of Jesus Christ, God with us. We confess our pride, our faithlessness, and our reluctance to accept your grace. Through the work of the Lord Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit, forgive us, heal us, correct us, and transform us. Enable us to be still, to know Your presence, and to praise You. Amen."

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI (Song of Praise) #622

SPECIAL MUSIC

CHILDREN'S TIME

\*HYMN "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" #131

CHRISMON SERVICE

\*HYMN "What Child Is This?" #137

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) #625

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

\*APOSTLES CREED (back cover of hymnal)

\*BENEDICTION (Closing Blessing) Romans 13:11-14  
(Response: "...And build each other up.")

\*CLOSING SONG "In His Time" #465

(\* If you are able, please stand.

Special Prayers of Concern:

- Bonnie S.
- Louise S.
- Carol F.
- Peggy M.
- Joan T.
- Gerry C.
- Howard B.
- Dolly K.
- Rose F.
- Geri C.
- Josh H.

Mission Co-Workers:

- Gary and Marlene Van Brocklin, South Asia
- Ian Vellenga and Jhanderys Dotel-Vellenga Nicaragua

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are not vaccinated and have not had COVID, please wear a mask when indoors.

This morning, we will celebrate the baptism of Chloe S, daughter of Marcus and Kelsey S.

During worship today, we will decorate the sanctuary Christmas tree with chrismons, sacred symbols that express the Christian faith.

Leading Worship This Morning:

Advent Candles: Becky G and Barb P

Scripture Reader: Lorene W

Our livestream team could use another member! If you would like to help on occasion, please speak with Heather I or Roger W.

Prayerfully consider if God is calling you to serve on session, as a deacon, or on the church nominating committee. Speak with Jill M for more information.

We will collect cards for the Christmas card exchange until December 12. Please only include cards for regular attenders, and bundle them in alphabetical order. You will be able to pick up your cards on December 19; unclaimed cards will be discarded after New Years.

Collection bins in the lobby:

Butler High School: personal hygiene and feminine products

Lighthouse: shopping bags

We will be collecting for the Light House Toy Drive from Nov. 14-Dec. 5. Ages birth to 14 years old want gifts and ages 15-16 years old would like \$25 gift cards. The set up will be displayed in the lobby. Also please give the gift cards to the deacons.

The Christmas Cookie Sale is back on Dec. 11! We need volunteers to help bake at the church OR you can bake your cookies at home. Church baking days will be on Sat. (12/4) and Sun. (12/5) after church. There will be two sign-up sheets—one for bakers and another for cookie orders. Cost for cookie trays (4 doz.) - \$24.00, cookie boxes (2 doz.) - \$12.00. Get your orders in early and before Dec. 5! Direct questions to Linda M or Lorene W.

The Evans City Food Cupboard is in need of paper products, storage bags, and containers for the month of December.

### Military:

Jeremy H.

Matthew David M.

Justin T.

Scott F.

Frank D.

Michael Slate, Navy

Glen P.

Will B.

Jacob H.

Christian C.

Ryan W.

Hunter M.

Christopher H.

Arthur B.

Kevin E.

Danner C.

Daniel B.

Spencer K.