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Christmas Day

December 25, 2016

Please remember to turn off your cell phones during the Worship Service. Thank you.

Preparation Music

(Please be seated and prepare yourself for worship)

The Entrance of the Light

Welcome

Moments of Concerns and Announcements

*Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship

Leader: *The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;*

People: **Those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.**

Leader: *Come, let us worship the God*

People: **Whose light brings hope to a weary world.**

— written by Joan Delaplaine

*Hymn: "O Come All Ye Faithful"

Latin: John F. Wade, 1711-1786

Tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, and others

ADESTE FIDELES Irregular
John F. Wade's "Cantus Diversi," 1751

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 3 Child, for us sin - ners poor and in the man - ger,
 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing,

come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
 Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heaven a - bove!
 We would em - brace thee, with love and awe;
 Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry given;

Come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 Glo - ry to God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
 Who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?
 Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,

O come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord! A-men.

***Affirmation of Faith**

All: I believe in the Living God

who is directly involved in the affairs of the world.

**I believe that God chooses the meek and the poor
so that we might come humbly to his manger.**

**I believe in the incarnate Word,
leaping in a woman’s womb, cradled in hope.**

***A Moment of Silent Reflection**

***Kyrie # 750**

All: Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Affirmation of Assurance

All: I believe in Jesus, true son of Mary, true Son of God,

who came among us in weakness,

that we might come to know the profound strength

available to common people

who turn to God in trust and with love.

Yes, my friends, this I truly believe.

Adapted from an affirmation by Bruce Prewer

***Act of Praise..... #760**

(Please stand)

All: Amen we praise your name, O God! (Sing Amen)

Amen we praise your name, O God! (Sing Amen)

Amen, Amen! Amen, Amen!

Amen we praise your name, O God!

***The Passing of the Peace**

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Please share a greeting of Christian love with those sitting around you.

Christmas Presentation: “A Visitor from Bethlehem”

Special Music: “When a Child Is Born”

Dan Walk-Baritone

Our Morning Prayers

The Candle of Remembrance is lit in hope that the Holy Spirit would bring peace to the world. In lighting it we remember all past and present military personnel and first responders, especially those in harm’s way.

Call to Prayer “Pray”

All: Pray___, pray___, pray___ for peace within our world_____.

Pray___, pray___, pray___ for peace within our souls_____.

Pray___, pray___, pray___ for love and unity_____;

Quiet our busy hearts, Pray___, pray___, pray___ .

Pray___, pray___, pray___.

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer,

Prayer of Our Savior (sung)

All: 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

Our Time of Sharing

Invitation to the Offering, The Sharing of Gifts

Offering Music

***Offertory Response “We Are Giving in the Light of God” (526)**

All: We are giving in the light of God,

We are giving in the light of God. (Repeat previous 2 lines)

We are giving, giving, we are giving, Oo,

We are giving in the light of God. (Repeat previous 2 lines)

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn: #148 “What Child Is This”**

*The Benediction

***Benediction Response #136**

All: Jesus, Jesus, oh what a wonderful child.

Jesus, Jesus, so holy meek and mild:

New life, new hope the child will bring.

Listen, to the Angels sing,

“Glory, glory, glory,” let the heavens ring!

*Postlude

Dan Walk is participating in today’s worship service along with...

The Congregation.....Disciples of Christ
 Rev. Meredith Ann Hutchison.....Pastor
 Irina Thomas.....Organist and Keyboard
 Rheba Salac.....Administrative Assistant
 Wade Anderson.....Sexton

Help Fund

Did you know that as of December 22 we have received \$794.00 for the Help Fund, which is our church’s fund that helps people in our congregation and in our community in their time of need. We also provided gifts for 25 children through the Salvation Army’s Treasures for Children program. Thank you to the congregation for your generosity!

This week:

The office will be open on Monday and Thursday from 9:00AM until 3:00PM. Pastor Meredith is on vacation. The Rev. Bobbie Hineline will preach next Sunday and Pastor Meredith will return from vacation on January 2. Pastor Joseph Hedden of Hill’s church is covering in case of an emergency. His phone numbers are 724-327-3050 (office) and 412-956-5252 (home).

Attendance for December 18, 2016: 54

Offering for December 18, 2016: \$1,309.00

Camp Fund: \$1.00

We are going to launch a password protected **On-line Pictorial Directory** for our Church and are collecting data. Eventually, we will be taking pictures (they will NOT be professional portraits), but for now, we need the following information:



Name (s) _____

Address _____

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

Cell phone _____

} if you are willing to share this information

Preferred e-mail address _____

I do not wish to be included in the directory but am providing my information for the office use only. _____

please tear off and leave in the office or offering plate

We really need this information from every person in the congregation, whether or not you are a member, and whether or not you think that we already have this information. *Thank you so very much for your help. Rheba Salac, Administrative Assistant*

(Note that the directory will be available as a hard copy if you don’t have internet access. There will be an app for your smart phone, and you will be able to access it through the Denmark Manor web-site. **Again, this will be password protected and only available to the congregation.**)

2017 Offering Envelopes are available in the rear of the Sanctuary beginning December 18. Please continue to use your 2016 envelopes through the end of this year. If you do not have envelopes and would like a set, please let the office know at 724-744-4218. Thank you for your generosity which welcomes God’s presence among us.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

*The beautiful Poinsettias gracing the Sanctuary
this Christmas are given by:*

Wade Anderson *in memory of Grandparents,
Parents, Brother & Grand Nephew*
Their Loving Family *in memory of Annie
Branthoover and Sam Walk*

Mark & Robin Brautigam *in memory of Our Parents*
Dave Conner *in memory of Joycalyn Conner*
Virginia Creese *in memory of Anna Dietrich &
John Creese*

Eleanor Darragh *in memory of Amelia Pevronik*
Hazel M. Duffy *in memory of John G. Duffy*
Rob, Stacie, Maddie & Brenna Driscoll *in
memory of Beatrice Ryan*

John & Myrt Driscoll *in memory of Richard,
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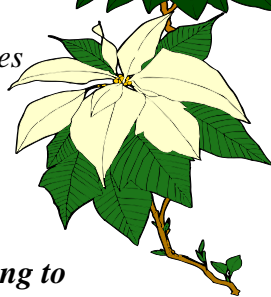
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William & Dorothy Martin *in memory of Loved Ones*
Allen, Joni, Matt & Brandon Mattei
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