

Trinity Lutheran Church
Brewster, New York



Nativity of Our Lord
Christmas Eve

December 24, 2024

4:00 PM

WELCOME as we gather to celebrate the birth of the Christ-child, the love of God enfleshed among us. ! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely, we know that Christ is truly present in our midst.

We welcome our visitors today. If you are looking for a church home and want to know more about living together as Christians, please contact Pastor Boyd during the week.

If you know of others who are in need of signs of God's love and grace, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us for worship in person or online. They may also contact the church office and/or Pastor Jen (see emails below)

You are invited to worship with us each week. There is a spoken in-person service on Thursdays at 12 noon and on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. as well as via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page. Services may also be viewed on our Youtube channel or on Comcast channel 21 at 11 am (note, they are a week behind). The weekly bulletin and Trinity Weekly with announcements and the calendar is posted on our website:

If you would like to be on our weekly email distribution list, contact the church office.

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Website: <http://trinitybrewsterny.org>

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YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber

PARENTS: *Please help your children follow the worship service, including standing up with the assembly. Thank you.*





The Sounds of Christmas

Family Christmas Service



Prelude: ***“O Come All Ye Faithful”***

Played by: Solomon Bettcher

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Played by: Victoria Sciarra
 Cassandra Sciarra
 Jonathan Sciarra

Welcome & Greeting

CALL TO WORSHIP

I have good news! **I have good news!**

Christ is born! **Christ is born!**

Joy is alive! **Joy is alive!**

God is here. **God is here.** (Repeat 3x)

Thanks be to God. **Thanks be to God.**

Amen. **Amen.**

Hymn *“O Come, All Ye Faithful”* #283

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;

Come and behold him, born the king of angels:

Refrain

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him,

Christ the Lord!

**The highest, most holy, light of light eternal,
Born of a virgin, a mortal he comes;
Son of the Father now in flesh appearing!
Refrain**

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God in the highest:
Refrain**

**Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n!
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:
Refrain**

Text: attr. John Francis Wade, 1711-1786; tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, sts. 1, 3-4; tr. Unknown, st 2
Music: attr. John Francis Wade
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The grace and love of God revealed in the birth of the Christ-child be with you always. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

As we prepare to hear the Good news, we seek the Spirit to open our ears and our hearts to receive this message that is may renew our lives:

God of manger straw
and swaddle cloth,
God of silent nights
and joyfully-chaotic mornings,
we long to know you.

The hustle and bustle of this time of year can be more than distracting, so for a moment, we pray,

still our busy hearts.

Quiet our minds.

Help us to sink deeply into this day.

Help us to pause here,
to linger here

as we hear your good news spoken over us.

God, we long to know you,

so speak to us now.

With grateful hearts, we pray.

With grateful hearts, we listen.

Amen.

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Please stand as you are able

CAROL "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (ELW #288)

**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice
give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today;
on and about him bow, and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!**

**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice
now ye hear of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!**

**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice
now ye need not fear the grave; Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!**

Text: Medieval Latin carol; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866

Music: German carol, 14th cent.; arr. Robert L. Pearsall, 1795-1856

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Please be seated

We come together this night to hear the familiar Christmas story. I want us to try to imagine what it would have been like there in Bethlehem. What would we have seen? What would we have smelled? What would the night feel like on our skin and in our bones? What might we hear? We are all going to help tell this familiar story. You will be helping with the sound effects. You will see the cue in parentheses in the narrative. We will also pause at intervals to practice a new set of sounds; some are repeated throughout the narrative.

Sound effects

Sleepers (snores)

Lambs & Sheep (baa)

Wind (whoosh)

Census (hear ye, hear ye)

Donkey (heehaw)

The story begins many years ago in a faraway country, many miles from here. A light wind was blowing (**whoosh**) and the faint sound of sheep were baying (**baas**). Up on a rocky hillside, shepherds were huddled around a small fire, keeping warm from the wind that swirled around them (**whoosh**). A few of them were wearied from the day and trying to keep awake (**snores**). Others kept a wary eye out for thieves and predators as their sheep searched for a meal across the hillside (**baa**).

They had watched all day as people traveled from far off places. They had been ordered by the emperor to return to their homelands for a census (**hear ye, hear ye**). So many had traveled, looking for a place to rest for the day that there was not even room for their sheep in the barns and caves (**baa**).

One couple in particular had caught their eye. A young couple with a very pregnant wife traveled to Bethlehem on a donkey (**heehaw**). They looked exhausted and the woman was falling asleep astride the beast

(both **heehaws & snores**). They traveled from door to door, looking for a place to sleep, but there was no room anywhere. Oh, how they

wished that they could've stayed in Nazareth and that there was no census that year (**hear ye, hear ye**).

CAROL "O Little Town of Bethlehem" ELW #279 (vs. 1 & 2)

**O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light.
The hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.**

**For Christ is born of Mary,
and, gathered all above
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the king,
and peace to all the earth!**

Text: Phillips Brooks, 1835-1893

Music: Lewis H. Redner, 1831-1908

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Sound effects

Cow (moo)

Chickens (cluck, cluck)

Baby Jesus ("LOVE!")

At long last, the couple found a place to rest among the animals (any of the animal sounds: **baa, moo, cluck, cluck, heehaw**). They were beyond tired and felt sleep take hold of them (**snores**). It was during that night as the wind, like the breath of God, blew through the town (**whoosh**) that Jesus was born (**"LOVE!"**)

Reading: Luke 2:1-7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

CAROL "What Child is this" ELW #296 (vs. 1 & 2)

**What child is this, who, laid to rest,
on Mary's lap is sleeping?
whom angels greet with anthems sweet
while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the king,
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud,
the babe, the son of Mary!**

**Why lies he in such mean estate
where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here
the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce him through,
the cross be borne for me, for you;
hail, hail the Word made flesh,
the babe, the son of Mary!**

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898

Music: English ballad, 16th cent,

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Sound effects

Angels ("ta da!")

Stars (twinkle, twinkle)

Boring (ho hum)

The shepherds on the hillside still watched the sheep (**baa**) and while the others were slept. (**snore**). They didn't yet know what was happening in the town below them. Other than the throngs of people traveling, it seemed like a night like any other – stars in the sky (**twinkle, twinkle**), the wind blowing across the hillside (**whoosh**), the sheep softly bleating (**baa**). A night just like any other night, the same old, same old – so very boring (**ho hum**)

But then what to their wondering eyes did appear but a magnificent vision. They rubbed the sleep from their eyes (**snore**). Was it just the stars in the sky? (**twinkle, twinkle**). Were they dreaming? Hallucinating? What was this in the sky – not a bird, not a plane (a what?) but a bright and glorious angel! (**“ta da!”**)

This was not to be a boring night after all! (**ho hum**). They trembled in fear over the awe-filled sight, confused as to why God would send a heavenly messenger to ones such as them. They were merely shepherds who watched over sheep (**baa**). They were nobodies – at least that is what others called them. People complained that they were dirty and smelly, even some thought that they had stolen the sheep in their care. (**baa**). No one ever paid any attention to them.

Carol: “The First Noel” (ELW #300, vs. 1 & 2 only)

**The first Noel the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.**

Refrain

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!

Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star
shining in the east beyond them far;
and to the earth it gave great light,
and so it continued both day and night. Refrain

Text: English traditional

Music: English traditional; arr. John Stainer, 1840-1901

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Reading: Luke 2:8-14

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.’ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,
‘Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!’

The stars themselves seemed to be singing (“**twinkle, twinkle**”). The sky was radiant with as many angels as there were stars (**ta da**). The sheep rather than bleating in fear, joined the heavenly chorus with their (**baas**). The whole of heaven and earth was singing over the birth of this one child – this Christ-child who they learned was named Jesus (**LOVE!**)

CAROL “Hark, the Herald Angels Sing” (ELW #270, vs. 1 & 2)

**Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn king;
peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled.”
Joyful, all you nations rise; join the triumph of the skies;
with angelic hosts proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”**

Refrain:

Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn king!”

**Christ, by highest heav’n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time, behold him come, offspring of a virgin’s womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail, incarnate deity!
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel! *Refrain***

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

Music: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847; arr. William H. Cummings, 1831-1915

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Jesus (**LOVE!**)

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The shepherds were filled with such joy over such an incredible vision! Stars brighter than the sun (**twinkle**), sheep seeming to sing along (**baa**) and angels proclaiming the glory of God (**ta da!**). They could not contain themselves any longer. No more would they be merely spectators and watchers. This news was so good that it propelled them down off the hillside, their sheep following behind (**baa**). They raced each other down into the town to see this newborn baby named Jesus (**LOVE!**)

Reading: Luke 2:15-20

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.’ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered

them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

CAROL “We, Three Kings of Orient Are” (WOV #646, vs. 1 & 5)

We three kings of Orient are:

**Bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.**

Refrain

**Oh, star of wonder, star of night,
Start with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light!**

**Glorious now behold him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice;
Heav’n sings alleluia;
Alleluia the earth replies.**

Refrain

Text: John Henry Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891, alt.

Music: John Henry Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891

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Sound effects

Wise men (huzzah!)

Star of Bethlehem (soft whistle)

The news of this birth spread far and wide. The shepherds and their sheep (**baa**) told them all about the brightness of the stars (**twinkle, twinkle**), the glory of the angels (**ta da**) and the birth of Jesus (**LOVE!**). The story would continue with the arrival of a caravan of people who are often called kings, Magi or wise men (**huzzah!**). They had traveled from a distant land after witnessing the shining of the most unusual of sights, a star that shone brighter than any other (**twinkle, twinkle**). It was a star that they had never seen before. It was one long awaited, a

shining light that would bring God's glory to fill the whole of the earth – the Star of Bethlehem (*soft whistle*). But that is a story for another day – for it was a great distance, so much so that Jesus (**LOVE!**) was almost two years old when they arrived. (This is celebrated 12 days after Christmas – January 6th – on a day we call Epiphany).

We gather this day to celebrate the birth of Jesus (**LOVE!**)! We have heard the story in a different way. We have shared the sounds of Christmas. And now, we are invited to not just be hear-ers of the story, but to share and live this most wonderful and this most amazing Good News! For the love of God was born in a manger and his name is Jesus! (**LOVE!**)

Please stand as you are able

CAROL “Go, Tell it on the Mountain” (ELW #290)

Refrain

**Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and ev'rywhere;
go tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born!**

**While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light. Refrain**

**The shepherds feared and trembled
when, lo, above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Savior's birth. Refrain**

**Down in a lonely manger
the humble Christ was born;**

**and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn. Refrain**

Text: African American spiritual, refrain; John W. Work Jr., 1872-1925, stanzas, alt.
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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Like Mary,

we believe in cherishing good news.

Like the angels,

we believe in singing God's praise.

Like the shepherds,

we believe that God's presence in our life is something worth talking about.

Like generations before,

we believe that God is with us.

Like the generations to come,

we believe that God is with us.

God is here.

God is love.

We believe.

Thanks be to God!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jesus loves us, this we know and so we pray for all God's people

A brief silence

Jesus share your love

with those who are alone this night

Jesus loves you

with those who are hungry or have no home

Jesus loves you

with those who don't feel loved

Jesus loves you

with those who are sick or hurting

Jesus loves you

with those who cry

Jesus loves you

With others we name before you now.... *other prayers may be offered,
silently aloud or online in the comments*

Pastor: Jesus, we know that we are loved. Help us to share with others so that all may know that
Jesus loves you too. Amen

*Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always **And also with you**
You are invited to share the peace of the Christ-child with one another
Please be seated*

OFFERING



You are invited to use this time as moments of silence for prayer and reflection. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org)

Anthem

Please stand as you are able

Offering song: “Love Has Come” #292

**Love has come—a light in the darkness!
Love shines forth in the Bethlehem skies.
See, all heaven has come to proclaim it;
Hear how their song of joy arises:
Love! Love! Born unto you a Savior!
Love! Love! Glory to God on high.**

**Love is born! Come, share in the wonder,
Love is God now asleep in the hay.
See the glow in the eyes of his mother;
What is the name her heart is saying?
Love! Love! Love is the name she whispers;
Love! Love! Jesus, Immanuel.**

**Love has come and never will leave us!
Love is life everlasting and free.
Love is Jesus within and among us.
Love is the peace our hearts are seeking.
Love! Love! Love is the gift of Christmas.
Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!**

Text: Ken Bible, b. 1950

Music: F. Seguin, *Recueil de noels composes en langue Provençale*, 1856

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OFFERING PRAYER

God, we can think of no greater gift to us than Jesus. **In awe and gratitude, we respond with our offerings out of the abundance you have provided in our lives. Use them for the good of the world. Amen.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

This babe in Bethlehem

The one for whom the prophets foretold

This Jesus (**love!**)

God's Word made flesh

This Prince of Peace

It is this same child who grew

Who called his disciples and us to follow

Who healed the sick

Who taught from the mountainside

Who ate among sinners and outcasts

Who gathered his disciples around the table

As we remember Jesus' birth

We remember too that his birth led him to the cross

For it was....do this in remembrance of me

We are invited to join the Christ-child at the table

We come to taste the love and grace of God

We come humbly to Christ's table

We come to receive the fullness of your promise

We come, offering ourselves and praying as we have been taught

LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass,

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

And the glory, forever and ever.

Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Joy to the world! The Lord is come. Let every heart receive your Savior.

Thanks be to God.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND BLESSINGS

All the baptized are welcome to feast in the Eucharist. You may receive only the bread or wine and still experience the full benefit of our Lord's meal. Those who do not receive bread or wine are invited to come for a blessing.

All members and visitors, please complete a Record of Communion card (in the pew racks) and hand it to an usher as you come forward.

Ushers will direct you to come forward at the appropriate time.

CAROLS DURING COMMUNION

“Silent Night” (ELW #281)

**Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav’nly hosts sing alleluia!
Christ, the Savior, is born!
Christ, the Savior, is born!**

**Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love’s pure lighth
Radiant beams from your holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at your birth.
Jesus, Lord at your birth.**

Text: Joseph Mohr, 1792-1849; tr. John F. Young, 1820-1885

Music: Franz Gruber, 1787-1863

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“Away in a Manger” (ELW #277)

**Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head;
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.**

**The cattle are lowing; the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.
I love you, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky
And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.
Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask you to stay
Close by me forever and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in your tender care**

And fit us for heaven, to live with you there.

Text: North American, 19th cent.

Music: James R. Murray, 1841-1905

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Please stand as you are able

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bless you and keep you now and always in God's grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The sounds of Bethlehem echo in our ears and in our hearts. The birth of Jesus (**love!**) shines forth throughout the years. May our voices continue to lift up the sounds of celebration as we go fed and nourished by the love of God revealed through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

Response: Amen

SENDING HYMN: "Joy to the World" ELW #267

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her king;
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.**

**Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ,
While fields and floods,
Rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**No more let sin and sorrow grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make
His blessings flow**

**Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.**

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Music: English melody, 18th cent.; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

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DISMISSAL

**God's love is born this day!
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
Thanks be to God!**

Postlude "*Joseph est Bien Marie*" Claude Benigne Balbastre

Worship notes:

Service adapted by Pastor Jen, based on "Listen to Christmas" by Judy Gattis Smith

☆ **Prayer of the Day, Affirmation of Faith (@sanctifiedart)**

THANK YOU TO:

- ☆ Our Minister of Music, Dr. Franklyn Commisso, for coordinating special music.
- ☆ Our sincerest thanks to our young people for sharing their gift of music this Christmas. The instrumentalists are Victoria Sciara - saxophone, Cassandra Sciara - trumpet, Jonathan Sciara - trombone, and Solomon Bettcher – violin
- ☆ All those who helped beautify our Sanctuary
- ☆ Kathie Ruhs, Trinity’s Flower Fund organizer

SCHEDULED TO SERVE Tuesday, December 24th

4 PM	Joanne Halbekath	Kathleen Harpster Don Icken	JP Maston
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WELCOME VISITORS! Please sign the guest register and complete a Record of Communion card.

PARENTS OF INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN: We cherish the presence of our youngest members at worship. Restless or unhappy children can be taken to the Narthex, where worship can be heard over speakers. You are welcome to move in and out of the sanctuary as needed. Busy bags with age-appropriate activities are available for our youngest worshippers. Please return these at the end of the service.

Poinsettias and Wreaths decorating the Sanctuary are given by:

- ♥ *Bruce and Barbara Markert in gratitude for God's many blessings*
- ♥ *Dorothy Kafalas in loving memory of her daughter Patti Kafalas, the Rencken Family members and in honor of Howard & Dan's birthdays.*
- ♥ *Linda & Rob Salinger in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Barbara & Ken von Barga in memory of their parents, Helen & Robert Weber, and Marie & Henry von Barga.*
- ♥ *Mark & Kathleen Harpster in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Julie Warbrick in gratitude for and in loving memory of her dear Mom and Dad.*
- ♥ *The Sergio Family is in memory of William, Elsie & Hedy McCloskey, and Andy & Dorothy Sergio.*
- ♥ *Hilde Christofori & family in memory of Karl Christofori.*
- ♥ *The Hargrave Family in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *John & Cyndi Bertone in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *The Turri Family in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Jo-Ann & Charlie Nestor in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *The Baldanza family in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Bill Rieg in memory of Sylvia Rieg.*
- ♥ *The Beal Family in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Barbara Roden in loving memory of Erich Roden, Carl & Ethel Moebis & Sophie Roden.*
- ♥ *Carol & Fred Fendt & Family to the Glory of God and in gratitude for His many blessings.*

- ♥ *Robert Fendt in memory of grandparents, aunts & uncles and friends & to the Glory of God.*
- ♥ *Kathie Ruhs and family in loving memory of Larry Ruhs and all our loved ones in heaven with the Lord.*
- ♥ *The Johnson-Zang family in loving memory of Regina Johnson.*
- ♥ *The Groundwater-Schuldt Family in loving memory of Callie Lou Schroeder and in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Brent A. Hnatow to the Glory of God.*
- ♥ *Laura DeFilippis in loving memory of Roger DeFilippis.*
- ♥ *Laurie & Peter Bell in memory of our dad Jim Yessian, reunited with our mom Dorothy.*
- ♥ *Deb & Joe Efferen in gratitude to God for loving and taking care of us.*
- ♥ *Florence Rothenberger in memory of my dearly departed loved ones.*
- ♥ *Pam & Fred Carlson in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Michelle & Paul Zabko in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Claire Brusie in memory of the Brusie, Heinrich Moser & Winters families and in memory of Barbara Keogh.*
- ♥ *Susan & Michael Stringer & family in memory of all our loved one and in gratitude for God's many blessings.*
- ♥ *Phil & Maria Maston in memory of Anthony & Ruth and Anthony Jr.*
- ♥ *Sigrid Allen to the Glory of God and in gratitude for His many blessings.*
- ♥ *Franklyn & Mary Beth Commisso in memory of Elsie & Frank Commisso, Frances & Albert Jerry and in gratitude for God's small creatures.*
- ♥ *Halsey Tuthill, Ciaran, Carrie, Fiona, and Ciaran James Cioffi in loving memory of Elaine M. Tuthill and Harold & Anna Schaller.*
- ♥ *Carol Huber in gratitude for God's many blessings*

- ♥ *Phillip DeRoberts in memory of Esther DeRoberts and Mary Langord.*
- ♥ *The Weidt Family in memory of William, Peter, and Mary.*



Poinsettias may be picked up after service on Christmas day and during that week.

WORSHIP SERVICES — DECEMBER 2024 - JANUARY 2025

Tuesday, Dec 24, Family Service with Communion, 4:00 PM

Tuesday, Dec 24, Candlelight Service with Communion, 8:00 PM

Wednesday, Dec 25, Christmas Day Service with Communion, 10:00 AM

Sunday, Dec. 29, Lessons & Carols with Communion, 9:30 AM

Sunday, Jan 5, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM

Sunday, Jan 12, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM

Sunday, Jan 19, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM

Sunday, Jan 26, Holy Communion, 9:30 AM

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