

Order of Worship

** Indicates stand if you are able. Please silence cell phones.*

PRELUDE *Now Sing We, Now Rejoice...arr. P. Manz*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

INTROIT *O Come, All Ye Faithful...arr. D. Bird*
Chancel Choir

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH *Mary Lynn Lewis*
One: We light these candles as a sign of the coming light of Christ. The nations shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks;
All: **nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.**

Adapted from Isaiah 2:4

*HYMN # 249 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Almighty God, You who shaped out of nothing all that is, forgive us for returning empty-handed. You who called forth light, forgive our preference for the dark! You who sent John to be a voice crying, forgive our unwillingness to say anything at all! Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN # 262 *Away in a Manger (vs. 1)*
(Kindergarten-5th grade children may come forward)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*HYMN # 277 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

ANTHEM
His Yoke is Easy, and His Burthen is Light from The Messiah
G.F. Handel
Chancel Choir, Dr. Lisa Elliott-director

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY *O Little Town of Bethlehem...arr. D. Barker*
Bells of Grace

PRAYER

*HYMN # 815 *Doxology*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*
(see front inside cover of hymnal)

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 2:8-14

SERMON *Pastor Jim Houston-Hencken*
"Good News of Great Joy"

*HYMN # 259 *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*
(vs. 1, 2, 5)

BENEDICTION

*HYMN # 249 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*
(Refrain)

POSTLUDE *Festive Encore...D. Miller*
Dr. David Dorway-organ

In Need of Prayer

Judy Aitken, Jim & Becky Aldridge, Fred Bratschie, Bill Carlston, Joan Clark, Rich Crandall, Corrie Dirickson, Rosamaria Duenas, Pennie Everhart, Rosa Gonzales, Charlene Harper, Pam Kodey, Gary & Dorell Koon, Richard Lyle, Maggie O'Donnell, Stephani Martinez, Carole McKinnis, Beth More, Diane Morton, John O'Donoghue, Mary Phillips, Bob & Phyllis Reaney, Jerry Reeves, Marian Rogge, Dr. Bill Stephan, Karlie Stuhmer, Barbara & Marty Swartout, Betty Wagstaff, Sharon Wilson, Neal Yanchisin, and Charlene Yule

Please call the church office to let our staff and pastor know of changes or of others who are sick, in the hospital or are in need of prayer.



Come one come all every Sunday to the Fireside Room for coffee, donuts and fellowship

Weekly Activities

- **Sundays - Adult Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.** will resume Jan 8th.
- **Sundays (except 3rd Sundays)- Adult Bible Study Class with Bill Carlston 9:00 a.m.** will resume Jan 8th.
- **3rd Sundays - Cancer Support Group 9:15 a.m.** Meet in Room 14
- **Sundays - Praise Team Rehearsal 9:30 a.m.** Meet in the Chapel
- **Sundays - Grace Kids Sunday School 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.** Kids will join worship and attend Sunday School returning to the classroom for fun, friendship, crafts and sharing a Bible Story.
- **Sundays - Youth In-Person 4:00 p.m.** Meet in the Knox House.
- **3rd Tuesdays - Sarah Elizabeth 10:30 a.m.** Meet in the Fireside Rm.
- **Wednesdays - Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.** Meet in the Sanctuary.
- **Thursdays - ZOOM Bible Study with Pastor Jim 10:00 a.m.**
Please email Pastor Jim at jimhh@gracepclv.org to get the link to join.
- **Thursdays - Contemporary Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.** in the Chapel
- **Fridays - Zoom GIFTS (Women's Bible Study) meeting 9:30 a.m.**
Contact Tiffany Palumbo at tiffdane@juno.com for details.
- **Fridays - "It's a Guy Thing" (Men's Coffee Fellowship) 9:30 a.m.**

Epicenter on the Parkway Christ Church Episcopal

January Donations:

Soup, soup/pasta bowls

Place in the "Little House" in the Social Hall

Amazing Grace

January Donations:

Toothbrush, travel-size toothpaste/
mouthwash

Place in the designated baskets in the Narthex

Grace

Presbyterian Church

Central Campus



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