



December 17

PRAYER CONCERNS: Leigh Ann Chevalier; the family of Dr. David Martin in his passing; Vira Cogswell in the passing of her son; Joie Brown in the passing of her daughter, Susan Rush.

Today's Sanctuary flowers provided by Lila Allen to the glory of God in memory of Donald Allen.

USHERS 12/17: Eric & Julie Eades, captains; Brandon Eades, John & Jennifer Stoll, Jessica & Andrew Stoll, Phil & Cathy Huestis, Miriam & Isaac Huestis

USHERS 12/24: Steve & Kay Sander, captains; Bill Drebus, Tim Loehrlein, Laura Fair

GREETERS 12/17: Jane & Bill Drebus, Debbie Hardesty, Mary Lockett

GREETERS 12/24: Sue & Cle Watson, Tom Harvey, Mary Lockett

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP TEAM

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

WORSHIP TEAM

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Please turn to those around you and pass the peace of Christ.

CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray as one.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Holy God of Advent, the world today is as terrifying as it is wonderful. We need Jesus as much today as in times of old. Replenish our lands, O God. Fill our hearts with gladness. Restore our faith in You and to each other. And now, hear us as we pray, each in our own hearts and our own ways...

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13 "Pray then like this: '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 our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.'"

GIVING TITHES & OFFERING

Worship Team

KIDZ MOMENT

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:26-35

THE BIRTH OF JESUS FORETOLD

26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, 27 to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." [a] 29 But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. 30 The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. 32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. 33 He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." 34 Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" [b] 35 The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born [c] will be holy; he will be called Son of God.

MESSAGE by Pastor Andy Payton

"Overshadowed"

WORSHIP TEAM

BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

Songs offered today "Once in a Royal David's City", "Glory (Let There Be Peace)", "O Holy Night", "Hark the Herald Angels Sing". Special thanks to our A/V Team Will Smith & Teena McGregor as well as Praise Band & Worship Team members John Keil, David Adamson, Audrey Schnapf, Kayla McWilliams, Scott McClure; Jessica Welcher, worship leader.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

- Monday: Psalm 41
- Tuesday: Matthew 24:32-44
- Wednesday: Matthew 24:45-51
- Thursday: Matthew 25:1-13
- Friday: Matthew 25:14-30
- Saturday: Matthew 25:31-46

ADVENT CHALLENGE #3

Read the story of Christmas (Luke 2:1-7 & Matthew 1:18-25) with your family before opening gifts.