Sunday, December 30, 2018

Worship Notes:

Your offerings and tithes may be placed in the offering box before worship, during the time of greeting or following the service. The offering box is located at the rear **of the sanctuary.**

Our Community Gathers

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship (*you are invited to stand if you are able)

Leader: Come, all who await God's coming;

there is good news of great joy!

ALL: God has come among us in a baby of humble birth.

Leader: Our salvation has come, let heaven and earth rejoice!

ALL: Give thanks to God's holy name,

for God's light has dawned among us.

Leader: Join the multitudes who sing, "Glory to God In the highest."

ALL: God has redeemed us and calmed our fears;

we are God's own, sought out and not forsaken.

Invocation Pastor Rich

*Opening Hymn 'Once in Royal David's City' Ch #165 vs 3 & 4

Old Testament Reading Psalm 148 Ellie Wells

Prayers of the Gathered and the Lord's Prayer

Our Community Hears the Word and Responds

Sacred Reading Luke 2: 22-40 (pg 59 NT)

Morning Message Rich Pate

'You Are The One'

Our Community Celebrates the Sacred Table

We celebrate a fully open communion table. All those who believe in Christ our Savior, are invited to receive the Bread of Life and Cup of Hope.

Communion 'Of the Father's Love Begotten' Ch # 104

2 x

Passing and receiving of Bread and Cup

You are invited to eat the bread once you receive it. Please hold the cup until you are invited to drink together.

Prayer of Offering and Dedication

Ellie Wells

Grant us, O God, such love and wonder that with shepherds and wise men and pilgrims unknown we may hearken to the singing of the angels, that following the guiding of the star we may come to the manger and adore the holy child, and with our gifts, with our lives, worship him. An let us say: Amen

*Sending Song 'Go Tell It on the Mountain' Ch #167

Blessing

Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessings of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and abide with you always. Amen

"Our Worship has ended - - Now our Service begins"

Scriptures for Sunday, January 6

Elder Old Testament reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6 New Testament reading: Matthew 2: 1-12

Random Act of Kindness

For the month of January our Random Act of Kindness will be: when you are out – give a compliment to a stranger.

Shut-ins

Please pray for our shut-ins and homebound Joyce Bradley, Sherry Burns, Jane Foster, Dick Gordon, Carol Imhoff, Betty Imperio, Bernice Lambert, Jane McVey, Kate Miller, Wanda Mish, Dick Scott, Wayne Smith, Gertrude & Keith Sparks, Dale Wells & Al & Bev Zimmerman. A visit, call or a card means so much to those members and friends who can't be here with us each week.

Thank You!

Thank you to all to contributed to our Christmas donations to Safe Haven Shelter. We were able to collect \$1,000.00 plus many gifts for the children who were staying there at Christmas. What a wonderful feeling that our congregation is so "giving". Also we delivered 15 Christmas bags to our shut-in and homebound members. Thank you for all that was contributed to fill these gift bags. God bless you always!

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