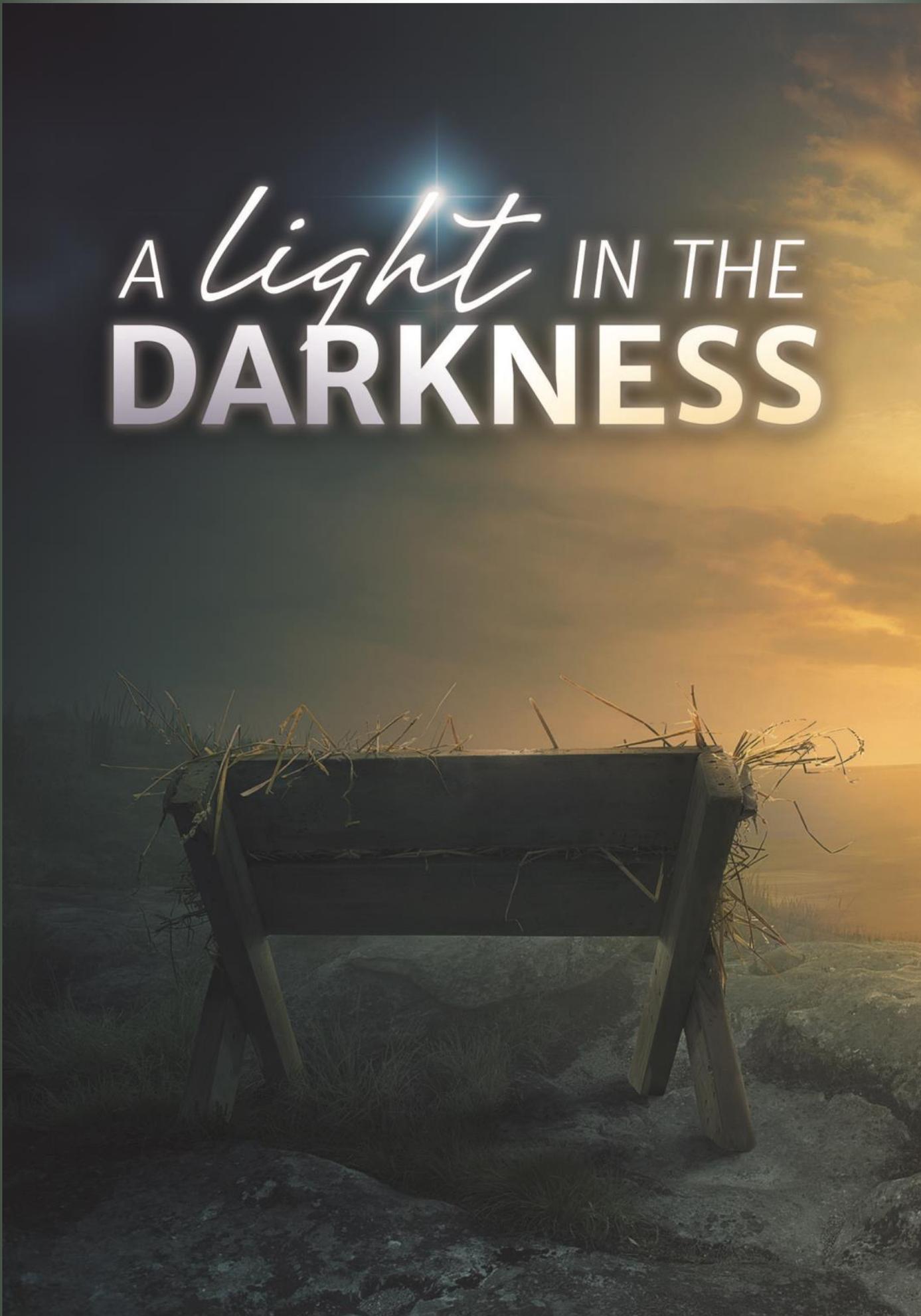


A *light* IN THE  
**DARKNESS**



# STEELE MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Welcome to Worship!  
December 13, 2020

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG *"Angels from the Realm of Glory"/"Emmanuel"*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST READING Luke 1: 67-79

MORNING PRAYER

MESSAGE *"Always Winter but Never Christmas!"* Pastor Kevin Lantz  
Luke 4:14-21

INVITATION

SONG *"Offering"*

CLOSING



Welcome!

*Remind us again, O God, of your loving presence,  
from which nothing can separate us.*

# Prayer Concerns

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Phyllis Argabrite	Monica Jackson
Eloise Baumgardner	Ben Maynard
Rosetta Blake	Helen McClure
Teresa Blake	Brenda Morning
Shirley Bowen	Peggy Morrison
John Call	Lois Silling
Carl Chapman	Reba Swann
Patty Collins	Grayson Tilley
Dana Godfrey, Sr.	Doris Wooten
Joan Gross	Chuck Yeager
Pat Gwinn	
Georgeann Holbrook	

Stephanie Adkins  
Bob Aken  
Erik Ballengee  
Simon Ballengee  
Julia Canfield  
Richard Chafin  
Avenelle Cummings  
Suzanne Elliot  
Katy Gooding  
Sherry Hagley  
Tracy Jimison  
Daniel, Lindsay  
& Cale Johnson  
Nancy Perkins

## FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

(Friend of Chris Roy)  
(Brother of Debbie Lingenfelter)  
(Son of Kevin & Cindy Ballengee)  
(Grandson of Kevin and Cindy Ballengee)  
(Sister of Karen Canfield)  
(Father of Rita Kelley)  
(Mother of Becky Nisbet & Brenda Cummings)  
(Niece of Jim & Sandy Boggess)  
(Granddaughter of Jack & Barbra Yeager)  
(Daughter of Delores Donahoe)  
(Daughter-in-law of Dick & Lou Jimison)  
(Son, Daughter-in-law, grandson of  
Jerry & Phyllis Johnson)  
(Sister-In-Law of Jack and Claren Perkins)

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS:** Families and friends are invited to send a "Christmas Card" to others in their church by texting a picture of your decorations, outdoor lights, or any significant or sentimental ornament or other home decoration to the Church.

Please let us know who sent the "greeting" - be it an individual, a couple, or a family together. (List all the children's names please!) We will attach the name to the picture and take time to show these on our live-stream during the four weeks leading up to Christmas!

1. Don't be afraid to get up close, a "tight" picture if your image or object. We don't need a lot of empty space around the focal point of the picture.
2. An option: Include your children or family in the picture as well.
3. Feel free to wear your best (or ugliest) Christmas sweater!
4. Send your picture to our Church by email: [church@steelememorial.com](mailto:church@steelememorial.com) or attach it to this email for REPLY
5. Send your picture as a text to Pastor Kevin, 304.638.4840
6. Our worship program will allow us to add text or a Christmas greeting as you would tell us what you want to say.
7. Get ready to do this now! It's a simple opportunity for us to "see" one another in an otherwise dreary and isolated time.

**SERVE IN WORSHIP:** As we prepare to get back into the flow of our worship schedule, the Church would like to recruit help in the tech booth to run some simple audio and video instruments. Please contact the Church office (304.736.4583) or Pastor Kevin (304.638.4840) if you can serve.

**OUR VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS EVE** worship will include the celebration of Holy Communion and our traditional candle-lighting service on December 24, 6:30 p.m.

As we prepare for this special worship, we have prepackaged communion elements for you to pick up at the Church during office hours, before Friday, December 18:

Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Friday from 9 a.m. to Noon.

If you're having extra family in for Christmas Eve, please get enough for all those in your home.

A. If you are unable to pick up the elements for communion, contact the Church office. We are arranging home-delivery for many of our congregation. [304 736-4583, Church; 304 638-4840, Pastor Kevin]

B. We also have candles for our candle-lighting to circulate among friends and members.



**AMAZON SHOPPING** - Many of you may do Christmas shopping online. Did you know that if you use the Church's AmazonSmile account, we receive a percentage donation back to the Church?

Make a difference this holiday. Shop for gifts at [smile.amazon.com/ch/55-0632144](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/55-0632144) to generate donations for Steele Memorial United Methodist Church!

**WINTER COAT DRIVE:** Many people have used their time at home to clean out closets! If you have gently used, clean coats to get rid of, we are accepting donations for men, women, and children. Huntington City Mission and Harmony House are having a coat drive and the coats we collect will be taken to them. As always, new donations are also appreciated. Coats on hangers may be taken to the Seekers classroom upstairs. Please include a note in the pocket sharing encouraging words and God's love. Thank you!

**WEEKLY GIVING REPORT**  
**November 29, 2020**



**Amount Received**      **Amount Needed Per Week:**  
**\$23,840.22**                      **\$8,579.05**

**SUNDAY ATTENDANCE**

**Views: 343**

<https://tithe.ly/give?c=1315386>



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