Welcome to Worship!

December 31, 2023

PRELUDE

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for signing the attendance pads.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We have welcomed the Christ child and declared the glory of God's salvation that comes to live among us. And yet, still, we wait.

Kay Ratcliff, Lituraist

All: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

One: We prepare to welcome a new year, thankful for how God has brought us through the past year and anxious to discover what the new year might bring.

All: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

One: We join with generations of who learned and taught us how to listen, notice, and discern divine love at work in the world.

All: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

One: Come, let us worship God, whose love endures from generation to generation, guiding us from one year to the next.

All: Come, let us worship as we live in anticipation of God's kingdom on earth as it is heaven. Amen.

PRAISE SONG

PRAYER OF THE DAY with the 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 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

CHILDREN'S STORY

INVITATION to the OFFERING with "Doxology"			No. 95
OFFERTORY PRAYER			Liturgist
*HYMN	Good Chr	No. 224	
SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 2:4-10			Liturgist
CHORAL ANTHEM			Choir
SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 1:18-25			
SERMON	"God's Daring Plan " Teresa Blake & Rev. Greg Markins		
*HYMN of RE	SPONSE	There's a Song in the Air	No. 249

BENDEDICTION

POSTLUDE

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are placed today in appreciation of our Christian Education committee chairperson, Janet Foss, for her dedication to our children and youth ministries. -Becky Damron

ENGAGE TEAM: The Engage Team will start the New Year with a meeting immediately following morning worship, January 7th in the New Fellowship Hall. We will have pizza and drinks and discussion will center around our vision and mission for 2024. Members on the team will be contacted.

-Jack Perkins

ECCHO NEEDS: Canned fruits and vegetables, cereal, mac and cheese, spaghetti, pinto beans, canned pasta, soup, and household items such as toilet paper, bar soap, shampoo, and toothpaste.

We especially need financial support to continue to purchase additional commodities. Donations may be placed in the ECCHO Closet in the Narthex.

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES New offering envelopes for 2024 are available on the table in the Church Office hallway. Those interested in starting a new process for contributions can receive a boxed-set by contacting Lisa in the Church Office, 304.736.4583.

Wishing you a very Happy New Year!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Phyllis Argabrite Eloise Baumaardner Teresa Blake Sandy Boggess Dana Godfrev Amy Herrenkohl Mary Howard Fred Huff Monica Jackson Virginia Keefer Brenda Morning Keith Ross Chris Rov Lois Sillina Karen Turman Doris Wooten

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

SUNDAY-31

Sunday School:9:45 a.m.Morning Worship:10:45 a.m.

MONDAY 1

Happy New Year! (Office Closed)

WEEKLY REPORT – December 24, 2023

<u>GIVING</u>

Needed per Week: \$8,039.15 Received: \$7,567.00 Onl Monthly financial statements available

ATTENDANCE Present: 160 Online Views: 11

Monthly financial statements available upon request.



FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN OUR PRAYERS

John and Jill Chapman Cathy Drazenovich Darrell & Connie Shull Kimberly Westerfield Nancy Underwood (Friend of Dick & Louetta Jimison) (Friend of Karen Canfield) (Parents of Rick Shull) (Daughter of Jim & Nancy Allman) (Friend of Karen Canfield)

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 3 - All Stars Resume 7 - Engage Team Meeting

SCAN HERE FOR OUR

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Greg Markins Secretary: Lisa Rhoades Youth Director: Ashlee Gallion Music Minister: Johnna Adkins Pianist: Lynette Call Organist: Becky Chenoweth Custodian: Rick Shull

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WELCOME

to Steele Memorial United Methodist Church

December 31, 2023

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER

Almighty God, break through and open doors to your new hopes, dreams, and possibilities for Steele Memorial and in our individual lives, and as you do, we will surrender and faithfully follow Christ onto the open road adventure of your new and unknow future. (Ephesians 3:20) Amen.

