# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

**December 20, 2020** 

10:45 am

# **PREPARING FOR WORSHIP**

If you have a request you would like included in our prayer time by our Pastor, please note it on a prayer card and place it in the offering plate

Prelude Praise Team Welcome & Invocation Pastor Russ

# **WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE & FELLOWSHIP**

Praise Song Light of the Stable Praise Team
Praise Song Midnight Clear Love Song Praise Team
Scripture Reading Luke 2:15-20

## **WORSHIPPING WITH OUR GIFTS**

Announcements Pastor Russ
Offering Our Gifts Pastor Russ

# WORSHIPPING THROUGH ADVENT

Lighting of the 4th Advent Candle Deborah Ugrovics

# **WORSHIPPING WITH OUR CHILDREN**

Children's Chat Harry Sink

# WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND TEACHING

Time of Prayer Pastor Russ
Message Pastor Russ
"How To Celebrate Christmas"

# **WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT**

Hymn "O Come, All Ye Faithful" #178 Recessional Praise Team

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#### **GETTING TO KNOW US**

Russell Stammer
Christine Lovette

JJ Belle & John Roy
Laura Belle, Harry Sink,
Ted Odenwald
All Members of This Faith Community

Pastor
Minister of Music
Praise Band
Praise Team
Ministers

#### **TODAY'S USHERS**

Deborah Ugrovics Craig Redd

#### THIS WEEK

Today 10:45 am Worship Service

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

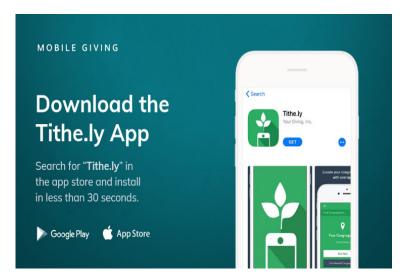
12/24/20 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service

#### **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Lori Rosenboom 12/25

#### **DECEMBER ANNIVERSARY**

Derek & Tina Oswusu-Bekoe 12/29





# GROWING IN BIBLE KNOWLEDGE 2020 BIBLE READINGS

 Mon Dec 21
 Hebrews 11-13

 Tues Dec 22
 James 1:1-4:10

 Wed Dec 23
 James 4:11-5:20; 1 Peter 1:1-3:12

 Thur Dec 24
 1 Peter 3:13-5:14; 2 Peter 1-2

 Fri
 Dec 25
 2 Peter 3; 1 John 1:1-3:12

 Sat
 Dec 26
 1 Jn 3:13-5:21; 2 Jn; 3 Jn; Jude 1:1-16

 Sun
 Dec 27
 Jude 1:17-25; Revelation 1-4

## SCRIPTURE MEMORY PROGRAM

This week's passage is *Proverbs 3:11-12*My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline, and do not resent his rebuke, because the Lord disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in.

#### **BIBLE TRIVIA**

<u>Today's question is</u>: Who else, other than the wise men, came to visit Jesus when he was a small child?

<u>Last week's question and answer:</u> What was the name of the garden where Adam and Eve lived? *Garden of Eden (Gen 2:8)* 

# **INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE**

"All the Christmas presents in the world are worth nothing without the presence of Christ." **-David Jeremiah** 

## **COVID 19**

All attendees at our services must always wear face coverings except where doing so would inhibit the individual's health or where the individual is under two years of age.

We will always also be observing social distancing by asking everyone to remain six feet apart from others, including seating, unless you are immediate family, etc.

Please take your garbage with you and do not leave it.

## **MISSIONS (PUTTING FAITH INTO ACTION**

# YEAR END GIVING

2020 has been a year like no other. As a church family we have missed many of our usual events and at times, in person worship. However, the giving level has not continued as usual and our expenses have increases with all of the extra cleaning supplies and personal protection equipment that we have had to purchase.

## **CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

The church council has decided to designate the Christmas offering to go towards technology upgrades so that we can continue to offer online services and offer new aspects to our worship services.

It is not too late to contribute to the following!

## THANKSGIVING OFFERING

During this extraordinary time many families around us are struggling to put food on their tables. The church council decided that this year's Thanksgiving Offering be used to help out the Ponds Food Pantry.

# **OCTOBER MISSION PROJECT**

This year's World Mission Offering theme is "I once was blind, but now I see." Your participation now more than ever will help global servants and partners rebuild and re-establish ministries affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and crisis. So far we have collected \$85.

# **2021 CHURCH COUNCIL**

Your church council needs some help. We need people to fill some especially important positions in 2021. Please see Pastor Russ or Ted Odenwald if you are interested in helping in any of these positions.



## PRAYER PAGE

#### HEALTH ISSUES

<u>Christine</u> - Peace and healing through the recent flair up of Lyme disease.

<u>Sandy Christopher</u> - has not been feeling well for some time.

Cheryl & Joe Alfano health issues & Joe diagnosed with Lung Cancer

**David Donnelly** – (Joy Sister-in-law's Dad) just had major back surgery

**Ginny Palmer** – continued pain and health concerns

Ashley Velasquez – dealing with Bell's Palsy

<u>Tiffany</u> – (Craig's Cousin) Kidney Failure

Derek Cardenas – (Teresa's friend's son) has Spinal Muscular Atrophy

George Sowpel - Ginny's cousin who was diagnosed with Guillian-Barr.

<u>Dan D'Elia</u> – recovering from knee replacement surgery

<u>Jordan Lovette</u> – Autoimmune disorder

Joy Palatucci - recovering from surgery

**Eileen Hodgkiss** – Recovering from heart surgery

**John Hodgkiss** – recovering from radiation treatments.

Adrian Jon – (Cheryl's grandson) diagnosed with hypotonia & has to wear braces on his feet and legs.

Nancy Monell – (Ted's Sister) various medical issues

**Rich Rosenboom** – Recovering from surgery

**Deborah Ugrovics** - Ongoing health issues

#### **HEALTH ISSUES (CANCER)**

Greg & his wife Barbara - (neighbor of Deborah) battling cancer

Mary Ann Gallina – (JJ boss' mother) stage 4 cancer not doing well.

Susan Graves - (Cheryl Alfano's sister) Breast Cancer

<u>Linda & Bob</u> – (Friends of Jack & Ollie)

 $\underline{\textbf{Ralph Lemongello}} - (Friend of Jackie Trowbridge) \ Bone \ Cancer$ 

<u>Patrick Dilworth</u> – (Friend of the Pipito/Redd Family) Brain Tumor

## IN ASSISTED LIVING/NURSING FACILITIES

# Marian Stapert

# **OTHER CONCERNS**

#### **Good Shepherd Mission**

 $\underline{\textbf{Unspoken Requests}}\, - \text{People requested prayer for an unspoken request}.$ 

Those dealing with Depression

Those dealing with addiction: Brandon, Stacy, Friend of Joy Palatucci's Husband

All those suffering from mental health issues

#### SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Capt. David Hutsebaut - son of Dave and Shirley - Army

Sgt. Eduardo Velasquez - son in law of Cheryl Alfano -

Marines

Petty Officer Second Class Faustina Owusu Bekoe - US Navy

# **COLLEGE STUDENTS**

Jonathan Stammer – Liberty University



But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. **Nehemiah 9:5** 



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