



Service of Worship

December 9, 2018

Second Sunday In Advent



PRE-SERVICE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEDICATION OF PRAYER SHAWLS

GODSPEED Father Patrick Nwosu, Ph.D.

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING Forgotten Man Ministries
(The Joyful Noise Offering is a collection of loose coins that make a "joyful noise" when you place them in the can and shake it. The noise is joyful because a local agency/program chosen every two months by the Mission Team receives the offering.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
(Children up to 6th grade are welcome to leave for Children's Church)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

WE COME TO GOD WITH PRAISE

SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP Arise, Shine, For Your Light Is Come Advent Choir

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN** Arise, Your Light Has Come #102

***APOSTLES' CREED** #783 B

WE CONFESS OUR SINS AND RECEIVE FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION (On Screen)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (On Screen)

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN** Be Thou My Vision #859

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE WITH GRATITUDE

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** #965

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING John 1:1-14 Pew Bible page 860

SERMON "The Light is Come"

WE PREPARE TO ENTER THE MISSION FIELD

PRAYERS OF THE FAMILY OF GOD AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN OF SENDING** O Little Town of Bethlehem #88

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*DENOTES TO STAND IF ABLE

SERVING TODAY

Bob & Bev Schaafsma, Greeting	Marjorie Boerema, Musician
Gary & Dana Lehmann, Sound Booth	Carrie Barrett, Coffee Hour Host
Bob Schaafsma, Henry Gachini, Marv DeYoung & Jim Miller, Ushering	Jared Swanson, Children's Church
Sandee Keating, Children's Message and Volunteer	Shauna Gipe, Liturgist
Rev. Mike Baynai, Preaching	Advent Choir, Special Music
Shauna Gipe, Jim Miller, Henry Gachini, Rachel Wahome, Patrick Nwosu & Joshua Iyadurai, Communion	

FORGOTTEN MAN MINISTRIES - Our Joyful Noise Offering recipient for the months of November and December is a ministry serving approximately half of the county jails in the state of Michigan. Our local chapter is responsible for all spiritual care provided at Kent County Jail in downtown Grand Rapids. One of the more powerful programs operated by FMM is their *God Pod*, an intensive and in-depth Bible study program. For more information about FMM call them at 616-784-4620.

WE WELCOME - each visitor this morning, understanding that you are a gift from God. May you feel His love and joy as you worship with us. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after our worship service.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS - After worship today there will be a wrapping party in the auditorium for our Christmas Angel family. There are a number of gifts to wrap and label, if you can, please stay and help.



Prayer Needs

ETHIPIA, KENYA, SUDAN, NIGERIA, SRI LANKA, & INDIA - God's help and peace.

PETER (Vi Squires' nephew) - Prayers for healing.

WESTON (Jim & Phyllis Miller's great grandson) - Praise for improving health.

JABE & HUNTER - (Bettye Kay's grandsons) - Praise and prayers as God continues to bless them.

PAT DOORN, JOAN WALSTROM & CATHY JO WOLTERS - As they worship at home.

ADAM (Dana Bilyea's grandson) - Prayers for peace and strength.

CONNIE (Donna's mom) - Prayers for healing.

GREAT LAKES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES: First Presbyterian Churches of Grand Rapids, Ohio, Marion Ohio and Greenfield, Ohio - That God would strengthen and grow them for His purpose and glory!

AL SCHUMACHER - Prayer for healing of his eyes.

REV. FIKRE NORCHA & FAMILY - God's peace and provision.

TWO MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH - Prayers for healing of a kidney.

JORDAN (Pastor Mike & Donna's grandson) - Prayers for God's protection and intervention.

PAM - Healing from cancer.

JURIA (friend of Rachel Wahome) - Prayers for healing and well-being.

BETTYE KAY - Safety and peace as she travels to visit with her family.

LEONARD POSTEMA - Prayers for healing.

VERA (Cousin of Phyllis Miller) - Prayers for healing from cancer.

DAKOTA (Family friend of Anne Vanderburg) – Prayers for healing from a life-threatening injury.



Building the family of God, one soul at a time

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HAPPENINGS

TODAY

LOVE Team (Worship) meeting after worship in the Study Room

Christmas Angel wrapping party after worship in auditorium

Sunday Service at Samaritas (The Lodge) at 2:15 p.m.

MONDAY

Calvin Seminary chapel service 12:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Session meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Prayer, 9:30 a.m. Choir Practice, 10:00 a.m. Worship

Memorial Poinsettias arrive in sanctuary

LEARN Team (Children & Adult Education) meeting after worship in the auditorium

Sunday Service at Vista Springs 2:00 p.m. & 2:45 p.m.

