PIANIST- Angela Garrison  ORGANIST- Bryan Massengale  
ACOLYTE- Rachel Heimel  

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are in loving memory of our parents, Mr. & Mrs. Miller True, from Diane, Jerrie, Cindy, and Andrea.

WITH DEEP APPRECIATION: We would like to express our deep appreciation to everyone who contributed in any way to our Thanksgiving Day dinner. Your support made us have a great day for many in our community. Thank you!

Our 2016 Church Directory is finished and has been emailed to everyone. If you do not have a computer but would like a printed copy for a small fee of $5 to cover costs, please contact the office at 365-6324 to submit your request.

Trustees meet on Tuesday, December 8th, at 7 p.m., in the Parlor. All Trustees are urged to attend.

Advent Study: If you would like to make a reservation for the meals prior to the Advent Studies at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 9, and Wednesday, December 16th, please add your name to one of the sign up sheets near the side entrance, at the Fellowship Hall, or call the office (365-6324). Supper is $8 per person with a family maximum of $25. Once eating begins, we will share in a video learning together. Small groups will then break off for discussion. Invite a friend!

The Family Life Center will be closed Friday, December 11th, and Saturday, December 12th, for the Christmas Play, Sunday, December 13th, at 5 p.m. A dress rehearsal for the play is scheduled for 4-6 p.m., on Friday, December 11th.

Toys for Children: We now have an Angel Tree at First Bank. Anything you would like to purchase, please take it to the bank by December 16th. We could use family games, soccer balls, and footballs. Drop off the games and balls at Cash Express. Contact Helen Kincannon at 365-0197 if you have any questions.

The Chancel Choir’s Christmas Cantata “One Silent Night” directed by Judy Ezell is Sunday, December 20th, at 11 a.m., in the sanctuary. Bring a friend!

Everyone is invited to a Bridal Tea in honor of Davinity Tallent (granddaughter of Judith & Ronnie Barger), and Benjamin Ross on Sun., Dec. 20th, in the Family Life Center, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. Registered at Bed Bath & Beyond & Target.

Kiwanis Christmas Food Baskets: It’s that time of year again and the Kiwanis Club has begun to plan for another year of helping our community in its time of need. We began receiving requests for applications in July, and it appears this year will be another 200 basket delivery. Your donations will help to provide food to our needy and is greatly appreciated.

For Poinsettias in the Sanctuary during the Season of Advent (Nov. 29 - Dec. 24), please purchase your poinsettia and place it in the sanctuary by Dec. 20th. For the special bulletin insert, complete the information below and submit it to the church office no later than Mon., Dec. 14.

In Memory of

In Honor of

Given by

Community Ministries Team

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Trevor Hartz

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Mary Conroy  Pat Galloway  Lesia Garrison  Jesse & Nina Gibbs  
Carl & Kay Hesselbach  Joyce Lavender  Bill Metts  Fred & Linda Mullins  
Aud Ray  Bill (Tuffy) Thurman  Jean Trinder  

John D. (Denny) Chatten (Spring City Care and Rehab, #203, Hinch St.)  
Margie Hughes (Spring City Care and Rehab, #310, Hinch St.)  
Ruth Huskins (Golden Years Retirement, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)  
Ray Keynton (Spring City Care and Rehab, #502, 331 Hinch St.)  
Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care and Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.)  
Margaret Scholz (Spring City Care and Rehab, #511, 331 Hinch St.)  

Kenneth Stout (friend of Steve Keyton)  Gladys Martin (friend of Becky Knox)  Jeff Coker (friend of Gil & Judy Littleken)  
Ed Hastings (brother-in-law of Dorothy Hastings)  Kevin Stump (Helen Miko’s brother)  
Erwin Newell (Richard DeCroce’s friend)  Christina Jordan (Maurel Christi’s daughter)  
John Tovillier (Judy Ezell’s friend)  Elise Sellers (mother of Susan Arp)  
Tammy Parsons (Helen Miko’s friend)  Mary Sue Garrison (friend of Glenda Keyton)  
Richard Reed (Nancy Gilliam’s father)  Lisa Oakley (Colin’s sister)  
Wanda Weems (Bevery Allison’s sister)  Merle Grender (Steve’s brother)  
Pravin Roy (Doris Roy’s brother-in-law)  Dennie Heron (brother-in-law of Emally & Felix Fisher)  
Billy Arnold (John & Mary Conroy’s son-in-law)  
Michael & Stephanie Shock (Leisty Shock’s son & granddaughter)  
Todd Bridgwell (friend of Binnie & Susan Arp)  

Eddie Lentz and Ed Conover (friends of Bob Larson)  
Billy Reed (Nancy Gilliam’s brother)  
Mary Balmer (mother of Chris Haier)  Janie May (Angie Rose’s mother)  
Tom Sanders (Loretta Hale’s brother)  Pam Yokley (Dorothy Hastings’s friend)  
Kennedy Lott (Nomm & Peggy Bowman’s friend’s baby)  
David Douglas (son of Max & Pat)  Louise Taber (Donna Hudson’s mother)  
Whitney Miller (Both Keyton’s niece)  Michelle Nasca & Lee Williams (Bob & Sheila Larson’s daughters)  
Haleigh Hall (Ed & Linda Gibbs’ granddaughter)  

The Family of Arthur Gilliam (husband of Pearl Gilliam)  
Arthur had been a church member since May 2, 1962.

Due to limited space, names are removed the first of each month if the church office (365-6324) is not notified.

PASTORAL PRAISE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” No. 213  
(Enter your name in the friendship pad and pass it to the person next to you.  
When the pad reaches the end of the pew, pass it back, noting the names of others.)

*GREETING EACH OTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE

*HYMN “Surely the Presence of the Lord” No. 328  

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Malachi 3:1-14  Worship Leader

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Tony  
Children, ages 3 thru 2nd grade, may now go to Children’s Church.

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Wailing” Chancel Choir

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 3:7-18  Worship Leader

Worship Leader: The Word of God for the People of God  
People: Thanks be to God

MORNING MESSAGE

“A Winnowing Fork in the Road” Dr. Tony Collins

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

RECEIVING COMMUNION

*BEDEDITION

Dr. Tony Collins  
*CHORAL AMEN

No. 204  

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, 
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his name is called Emmanuel.  

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*POSTLUDE

Bryan Massengale  

*Congregation Stands

Personal transmitters for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher for assistance. Nursery available near the Fellowship Hall.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

William Ruffner (Bill & Carron Ruffner’s grandson)  
Jonathan Harrison (James Weaver’s step-grandson)  
Tyler Shaffer (Kathy Heimel’s nephew)  
Branson Reed (Nancy Gilliam’s nephew)  
Justin Reed (Nancy Gilliam’s nephew)  
Trevor Harz (Kathy Heimel’s nephew)  
Monty Johnson (John & Judy Johnson’s son)  
Nathanial Taft Moffett (grandson of Glenn Moffett)  
Derek Niehaus (husband of John & Susan Helsinger’s daughter)  
Christopher Yonke (Danny Yonke’s grandson)  
Troy Brown (Tom Heimel’s friend)  
Sam Shaffer (Kathy Heimel’s nephew)  
Christopher Eichner (son of David & Joyce Eichner)  
Robert Flynn (Whitney Flynn’s brother & Tammy Flanagan’s grandson)  
Amy Kester (Eleanor Trail’s cousin)  
Charles Krumweide (Eleanor Trail’s nephew)  
John Lewis (Vickey Cheek’s other son)  
Aaron D. Mooneyhan (June Pitman’s grandson)  
Colby Nelson (Lori & Nancy Hicks’ grandson)  
Tom Reed (Nancy Gilliam’s nephew)  
John Cody Robinson (Virginia Hale’s grandson)  
Earl Schalier (George & Phyllis Scarier’s grandson)  
Thomas R. Taylor (Marylin Cooksey’s daughter-in-law’s brother)  
William Wilkie (Eleanor Trail’s grandson)  
Larry Ware and Robert Ware (Robert & Kay Ware’s sons)
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Upcoming Events
Week of December 6, 2015

Sunday, December 6
9:45  Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship, Sanctuary
4-6 Youth Dress Rehearsal, Family Life Center
4:30 Cantata Practice, Sanctuary
8:00  AA- Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 7
10:00  Prayer Shawl Team, Library
7:00  Scouts

Tuesday, December 8
8:30  Mother’s Day Out, Level 2 Classrooms
6:30  Scout Committee, Family Life Center
7:00  Trustees, Parlor

Wednesday, December 9
10:00 Disciple 3, Fellowship Hall
4-6  Dress Rehearsal for Play, Family Life Center
6:00  Advent Study & Meal, Family Life Center
7:00  Choir Practice, Choir Room

Thursday, December 10
Deadline for Let’s Do Lunch Reservations
8:30  Mother’s Day Out, Level 2 Classrooms

Friday, December 11
Church Office Closed
Family Life Center closed for the Christmas Play setup
4-6  Dress Rehearsal for Play, Family Life Center

Saturday, December 12
Family Life Center closed for the Christmas Play setup

Monthly Giving to the General Budget

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Income & Expense Statement (Does not include Special Designated Gifts)

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Scripture Reading

Malachi 3:1-14 (NKJV)
1  Behold, I send My messenger, And He will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; Even the Messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight. Behold, He is coming," Says the LORD of hosts.
2  "But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refining fire And like launderer’s soap.
3  He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver; He will purify the sons of Levi, And purge them as gold and silver, That they may offer to the LORD An offering in righteousness.
4  "Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem Will be pleasant to the LORD, As in the days of old, As in former years.
5  And I will come near you for judgment; I will be a swift witness Against sorcerers, Against adulterers, Against perjurers, Against those who exploit wage earners and widows and orphans, And against those who turn away an alien— Because they do not fear Me," Says the LORD of hosts.
6  "For I am the LORD, I do not change. Therefore you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob.
7  Yet from the days of your fathers You have gone away from My ordinances And have not kept them. Return to Me, and I will return to you," Says the LORD of hosts. "But you said, 'In what way shall we return?'
8  "Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?'
9  'In tithes and offerings.
10  You are cursed with a curse. For you have robbed Me, Even this whole nation.
11  Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in what you do, says the LORD of hosts, "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, So that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground. Nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field," Says the LORD of hosts;
12  "And all nations will call you blessed. For you will be a delightful land," Says the LORD of hosts.
13  "Your words have been harsh against Me," Says the LORD, "Yet you say, 'What have we spoken against You?'
14  You have said, 'It is useless to serve God: What profit is it if we have kept His ordinances, And that we have waited as mourners Before the LORD of hosts?'

Luke 3:7-18 (NKJV)
7  Then he said to the multitudes that came out to be baptized by him, "Brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?"
8  Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father;' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.
9  And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.
10  Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father;' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.
11  "He answered and said to them, "He who has two tunics, let him give to him who has none; and he who has one loaves, let him share with him who has none.""
12  "Then tax collectors also came to be baptized, and said to him, 'Teacher, what shall we do?'
13  "And he said to them, 'Collect no more than what is appointed for you.'"
14  "Likewise the soldiers asked him, saying, 'And what shall we do?' And he said to them, "Do not intimidate anyone or accuse falsely, and be content with your wages."
15  "Now as the people were in expectation, and all reasoned in their hearts about John, whether he was the Christ or not,
16  "John answered, saying to all, 'I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."
17  "But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refining fire And like launderer’s soap.
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