SPRING CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
December 25, 2016

PIANIST: Angela Garrison
ORGANIST: Bryan Massengale
ACOLYTE - Rachel Heimmel

GATHERING
Bryan Massengale
Worship Leader

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *“Joy to the World” No. 246
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles’ Creed No. 881
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER
*HYMN OF FAITH *“The First Noel” No. 245
(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.)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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SILAS BOOKER - Pearl Gilliam
SANDRA BARTIZAL - Gary Gilmore
JESSE & NINA GIBBS - Marie Hinzman
KEVIN DALE - Becky Knox
RAY WHITE - Matt Miko
LINDA MULLINS

- Barbara Fischesser (Spring City Care and Rehab, #104, Hinch St.)
- Mary Galloway (165 Over Ridge Dr., Room #45, Dayton, 37322)
- Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care and Rehab, #396, 331 Hinch St.)
- Margaret Scholz (Spring City Care and Rehab, #511, 331 Hinch St.)
- Eleanor Trout (Spring City Care and Rehab, #406, Hinch St.)

- Warren Griffin (brother of Nancy McIlwan)
- Pravin Roy (Doris Roy’s brother-in-law)
- Rayanne & Skip Crane (son & daughter-in-law of Margaret Crane)
- Wilma Jean Iles (our neighbor)
- Ron Goodman (former pastor at SCUMC)
- Charles Smith (friend of Richard DeCroce)
- Olga Conroy (daughter-in-law of John Conroy)
- Barbara Swafford (aunt of Scott Messimer)
- Kelly Vaughn (friend of Laura Messimer)
- Tom Swafford (uncle of Scott Messimer)
- Jim McPherson (cousin of Peg Caudill)
- Adam Brown (nephew of Connie Roberts)
- Michael Logan (friend of Jerry & Rayna Henry)
- Richard Davenport (cousin of Donna Hudson)
- Vicky Nixon (friend of Felix Fisher)
- Trina Koon (Donna Hudson’s niece)
- Hollie Steele (daughter of Wanda & Jim McCarter)
- Julie York (friend of Emmalyn Wasson)
- Doyle Montgomery (friend of Emmalyn Fisher)
- Rick Martin (friend of Chuck McIlwain)
- R. E. Nail (friend of Kevin Garrison)
- Len Badger (friend of Dan & Rita Ulher)
- Jordan Nelson (granddaughter of Leon and Nancy Hicks)
- Sue Patton (Billy Ray Patton’s mother)

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1 In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered.
2 This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria.
3 All went to their own towns to be registered.
4 Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David.
5 He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child.
6 While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child.
7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.
8 In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.
9 Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.
10 But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see— I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people:
11 to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.
12 This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.”
13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,
14 “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”
15 When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.”
16 So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.
17 When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child;
18 and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them.
19 But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart.
20 The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.