Pianist - Angela Jackson
Organist - Bryan Massengale
Acolyte - Rachel Heimel

Prelude
Bryan Massengale

Striking of the Hour
Worship Leader

Fourth Advent Reading
Kathy & Tom Heimel

*Hymn of Faith
"Joy to the World"
No. 246

*Affirmation of Faith
"The Apostles' Creed"
No. 881

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn
"Away in a Manger"
No. 217

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory
"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

The Doxology
No. 95

*Greeting Each Other in Christian Love

Hymn
"Surely the Presence of the Lord"
No. 328

Children, ages 3 thru 2nd grade, may now go to Children's Church

Choir Anthem
"Come, Light of Hope"
Chancel Choir

Scripture Lesson
Matthew 1:18-25
Worship Leader

Worship Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God

Morning Message
"Unexpected Gift"
Rev. Dale Wyrick

*Hymn
"He Is Born"
No. 228

* Benediction
Rev. Dale Wyrick

*Closing Hymn
"Jesus, Name above All Names"
(Black Hymnal) No. 2071

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord. Emmanuel, God is with us. Blessed Redeemer, living Word.

*Postlude
Bryan Massengale

*Congregation Stands

Nursery available for babies & toddlers up to 3 yrs. in Room #109 near the Fellowship Hall.

Our services are videotaped and broadcast via Livestream weekly.

Church Council meets in the Fellowship today at 4 p.m. All council members should be present at this meeting.

Join us at six o'clock tonight for Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall as Pastor Dale continues leading our study of 1 Peter.

Christian Eve Candlelight and Communion Service begins at 5 p.m., Tuesday, December 24th, in the Sanctuary.

Poinsettias left in the Sanctuary after Christmas will be discarded.


The New Altar Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board near the side entrance. Reserve a date on the calendar to place flowers in the sanctuary in memory, in honor, or in celebration of a friend or loved one in 2020.

There is no first Wednesday Fellowship Meal scheduled for January 2020.

Thank you to everyone who helped decorate our church for Christmas. A special thank you to Judy Ezell for the beautiful bulletin board at the side entrance. Thank you to those who decorated the Christmas tree, hung wreaths, and placed candles in the windows. We are also grateful to everyone who placed poinsettias in the sanctuary. They add so much beauty at Christmas time. It takes a lot of time and effort to make the church look festive for Christmas, and once again – thank you!

May God bless you, and may you and your family have a very Merry Christmas!
18 Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.
19 Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly.
20 But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.
21 She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."
22 All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:
23 "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us."
24 When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife,
25 but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.