

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

*Call to Worship

L: All through this season of Advent, we have encountered Hope, Peace and Joy and Love.

P: Today we will hear the story of God's wonderful love.

L: Today we will be challenged to believe in all that God can do.

P: Open our hearts, Lord, that we may be ready for your love. AMEN.

*Hymn of Praise *Sing We Now of Christmas* Celebration Hymnal No. 275

*Prayer of Invocation

Heavenly Father, we pray for joy in our hearts, hope in our God, love to forgive, and peace upon the earth. ... We pray for the forgiveness of sinners and abundant life in Christ. Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with your love and power. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen

Scripture Readings

Luke 6:38

1Timothy 6:17-19

*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

Sermon

Now What?

Brian Sampson

Hymn of Reflection

One Small Child

Celebration Hymnal No. 280

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer:

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.*

*Hymn of Going Forth

Away in a Manger

Celebration Hymnal No. 262

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel
His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us;
His name is called Emmanuel.

Postlude

*We invite you to stand if you are able.

Scripture Readings

Luke 6:38

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

1Timothy 6:17-19

17 Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. **18** Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. **19** In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

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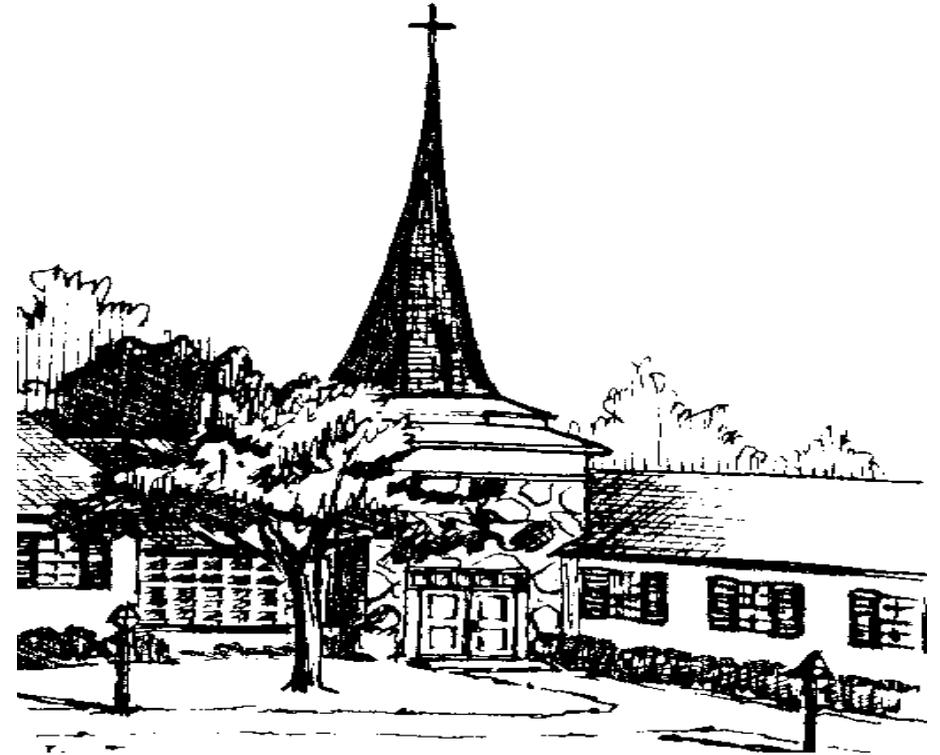
The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Church Covenant

We are banded together as a Christian Church to maintain the worship of God the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer; to proclaim the gospel of Christ, to develop in ourselves and others a consciousness of our relationship and duties to God and each other; to create a spirit of love for truth, a passion for righteousness and enthusiasm for service; to respect and protect all of God's creation. To this end we pledge our loyalty to Christ and covenant with God and with each other to strive to express God's spirit in our individual and corporate life; to live together as Christians and to submit ourselves to the government of this church, working, giving, praying for its increase, purity and peace, seeking in every way to make it a power for the building up of the Kingdom of God.

WELCOME!



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