



Join us every Sunday:

Worship 11:00am

Sunday School 9:30am

All are Welcome!

You can also join our live-streamed service on [Youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)!



December 2024

December Events

December 15-Christmas Lunch following church

Service

December 22-Christmas Concert: *Melodies of Christmastide*-3pm

December 24-Christmas Eve Candlelight Service-7pm



Tuesday Morning Devotional Group

The Morning Devotional Group meets every Tuesday at 9:00am on Zoom. To join the group, contact Sharon or Bob Perkinson at perkinshar@yahoo.com or perkinbob@yahoo.com.

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God's Children, daily sent on Christ's mission of love and grace

A Moment for Reflection

Greetings Church Family and Friends,

As you all know, I am a lover of poetry. I wish I could write beautiful verses, but alas I am not gifted with that ability. I can appreciate the verses of others though, especially of the poets from years past.

Every Christmas I reread a poem that was in the December newsletter from the church where my family were members. It made such an impression on me, that I have kept it ever since. I have probably shared it with you at some time, but I would like to share it again. That newsletter stated that the author was Conrad Hilton the great hotelier. But I have researched and I cannot corroborate this information. Whoever wrote this poem, wrote a beautiful expression of a miraculous event.

In the Stillness of the Night

The silent night was a holy night. All was calm. Bethlehem slept. In silence He came to Mary. In silence He comes to us, when we are free of the noise of men, and from the desires that tempt our human nature.

His wondrous gift to man was given in the stillness of the night. For silence is the “virtue of the strong, the refuge of the weak, the modesty of the proud, and the prudence of the wise.” Silence is a preface to prayer; it is the prologue to progress; it is a requisite of peace. Be still, my soul, that I may hear him in the silence of this Christmas night.

May we all be able to take time out from the hustle and bustle of the season to receive our Savior in the stillness of the night.

Merry Christmas,
Stephanie



Upcoming Meetings

December 17-Session-6:30pm

Speakers & Format for December Worship Services

December 1-Rev. Cameron Harkness

December 8-Forrest Palmer

December 15-John Feuchtenberger

December 22-Charles McNeel

December 24-Christmas Eve Candlelight Service-Communion-7pm

December 29-Darlene McNeel

Lay Liturgists for December

December 1-Wilson Butt

December 8-Jim Harvey

December 15-TBA

December 22-Charley Dodson

December 29-TBA



Prayer Requests

Please pray for our members and others for whom prayer is requested:

Donna Baugh, Chuck Denham, Ellen Light, Linnie Hammonds, Jimbo Godwin, Betty Kincaid, Judy Lambert, Carole Dodson, Ken Valko, Melinda & Greg Testerman, Suzanne Compton, Robert Perry, Eddie Boyd, Sarah Murphy, and Tokita Webb

Family and Friends of Sherri Neal, Asher Graham Denham, Loved ones of Kelsey Latimer, John Moir, Pat Mitchell, Ricky Farmer, Jean Fitzko Roatsey, Pat Feuchtenberger, Ali Feuchtenberger Miller, Ashby Wright, Dawn Graham, Donna Thompson-Whitehead, Carter Wells, Steve Hopta, Ken Jenkins, Rosa Lee Gay, Kathy Kennedy, Brenda Jenkins, Marlene Smith, John Goins, Marty Howard, Rosemarie Dixon, Eddie Kirk, Danny Brewer, Betty Colobro, Ralph John, Janice Raines, Nell Bath, Lauren Hicks, Louis Scott and Oleksiy Hodonavets

REMINDER: If you have an addition for the **January Newsletter**, please have it to the church office by **Friday, December 27th**. Announcements or changes to the prayer list for Sunday's bulletin are due to the church office on **Thursdays by 1pm**.