

December 21

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 Greeters Olin Shane
 Jane Shane
 Candle Lighter Shelby Warwick
 Worship Leader Kristin Warwick
 Deacons Marsha Ratashak
 Susan Guy
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 Communion Prayer Linda Yeoman
 Fellowship Set Up/Clean Up Jane Shane
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Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 23	Dec. 24	Dec. 25	Dec. 26	Dec. 27	Dec. 28
Food Pantry Sunday	Shofar 5-9:45 am Office Closed		<i>Christmas Eve</i> Communion Service 12:00 noon Candlelight Communion Service 11:00 p.m.	<i>Christmas Day</i> Office Closed	Office Closed	Paul on vacation thru 12/30 Shofar 3-10:30 pm	Guest Minister Adult SS <u>8:45 a.m.</u> Children's SS 10:15

**Christmas Eve Services
 Noon and 11:00 p.m.**

Two options are available to you for celebrating Christmas Eve with your faith community this year. Join us at **Noon** for a brief service with communion and "Opening of the Advent Calendar." The later service will be very simple and will include scripture and communion.

*Our flowers are in memory
 of Lois Burkhardt
 given by Ron and Sue Stookey*

**Financial Notes
 Dec. 14, 2014
 Total Deposit \$3,419.00**

December 21, 2014
A Service of Lessons and Carols
Worship 10:00 a.m.

WORD OF WELCOME

(Please take a moment to sign the attendance register in the pew and pass it along your row.)

PRELUDE "Sing We Now of Christmas" arr Hayes
Hope

***OPENING HYMN #119** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" **verses 1-2**

***WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD** Isaiah 40:1-5 pg. 667

***LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF HOPE**

Response #132 (Verse 1)

**Hope is a star that shines in the night,
leading us on till the morning is bright.**

When God is a child there's joy in our song.

**The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.**

***GATHERING PRAYER (Responsive)**

Kristin Warwick

Your love expressed through others inspires my faith.

Your beauty reflected in creation inspires my faith.

Your presence within Eucharist inspires my faith.

Your justice shown in leadership inspires my faith.

In countless surprising sources You help me believe in you.

Today I recognize my sources of inspiration.

Fragments of Your Ancient Name, Joyce Rupp

Peace

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Kristin Warwick

Let us welcome one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

***PRAYER THROUGH SONG #134**

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us,

His name is called Emmanuel.

*Appropriate time for standing, if able.

WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD Isaiah 9:6 pg. 638

WITNESS THROUGH SONG

Dona nobis pacem. Dona nobis pacem.

Translation: Lord, give us peace.

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE

Response #132 (Verse 2)

**Peace is a ribbon that circles the earth,
giving a promise of safety and worth.**

When God is a child there's joy in our song.

**The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.**

A TIME WITH THE YOUNG

(Please join us in supporting the local food pantry with your gifts.)

WITNESS THROUGH SONG #147 "Away in a Manger"

Joy

WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD Luke 2:8-14 pg. 58

MORNING PRAYERS/PASTORAL 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against
us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: for thine is
the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen**

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF JOY

Response #132 (Verse 3)

Joy is a song that welcomes the dawn,

Telling the world that the Savior is born.

When God is a child there's joy in our song.

**The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.**

WITNESS THROUGH MUSIC

Jingle Bells

Silent Night

Sussex Carol

Shelby Warwick

Dillon Warwick

Kristin Warwick

(See Insert)

WITNESS OF THE ANCIENT WORD John 3:16-21 pg. 94

OPENING THE DOOR TO LOVE

WITNESS THROUGH MUSIC "When Love Came Down" Eaton

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF LOVE

Response #132 (Verse 4)

Love is a flame that burns in our heart.

Jesus has come and will never depart.

When God is a child there's joy in our song.

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CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(We will come forward to the communion table as a sign of our commitment and response to Christ's gracious invitation and loving presence.

If you are unable to come forward, a deacon will bring the elements to you.)

INVITATION AND CALL TO GIVING

Kristin Warwick

COMMUNION PRAYER

Linda Yeoman

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

FEAST OF JOY "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" Willis/arr Wolaver

All are invited to the table of the Lord. You may come forward to the table to receive the gift of communion and make your gift in response.

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #148 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

*POSTLUDE "Carol of the Bells" arr Wolaver

*BENEDICTION

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