

WELCOME CENTER: First time at Asbury? Stop by our welcome center if you have questions or if you would like a copy of our latest newsletter or other brochures!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Liturgist: Jane Eastham

Organist: Ghilyana Dordzhieva

Coffee Hour: Christmas Eve Cookies

Acolytes: Olivia Lehman, Jaelah Liriano, Anthony Patrick, Abigail Patrick, Alexander Patrick, Michael Rudd, and Ruzena Rudd

Shepherds: Bonnie Peck and Pam Quimby

Ushers: Max Bovee

Lorraine Irwin

Frank Massa

Wayne Morris

Orie Phillips

Bill Plemons

Dale Scott

Jeff Sero

Kathy Sero

Bill Smith

Lisa Smith

Glen Snell

Carol Stoodley

Darlene Town

Patrick Town

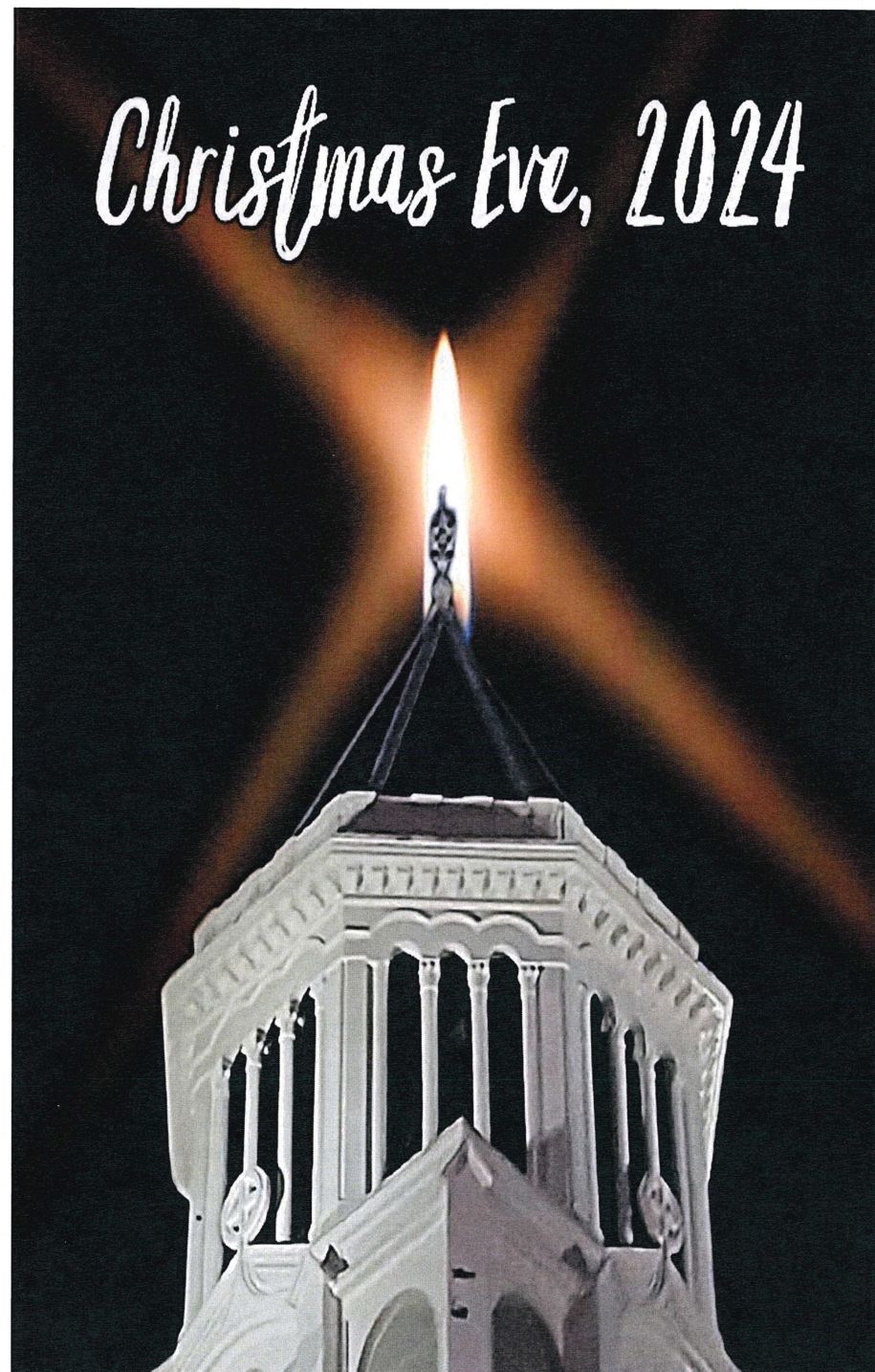
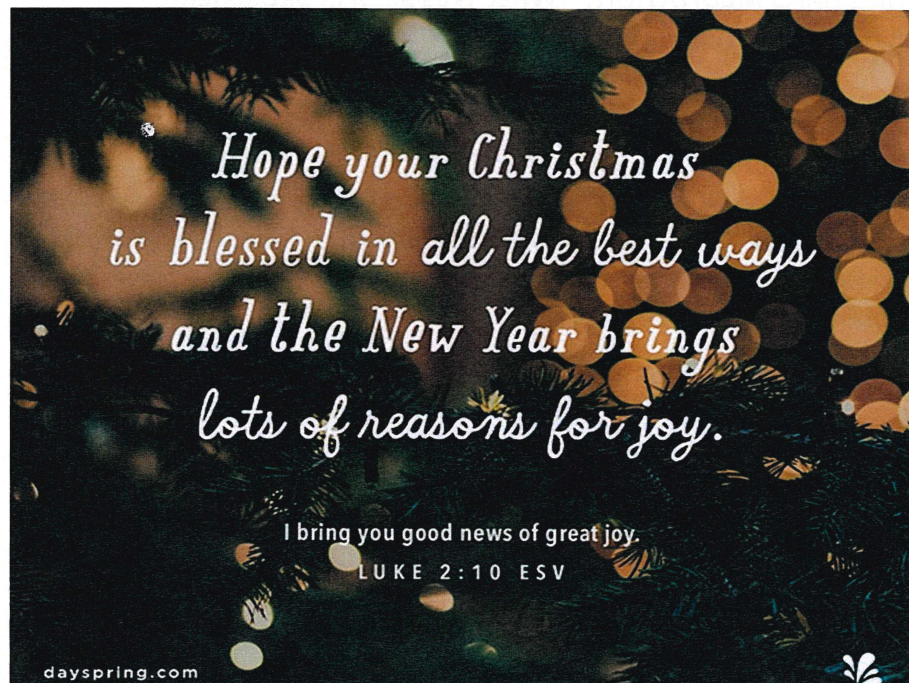
Leon VanWie

Dan Webb

LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Our home bound and nursing home residents: Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Shirley Berry, Ellie Cerow, David Heasley, Bill Hickox, and Bill Lennon.

Others: Dawn Baum, Theresa Bierman, Max & Greeta Bovee, Jerry & Dodie Bretsch, Tom Carlisle, Yvonne Cornell, Deb Der, Barbara G., Mike Hill, Keri Morris, David, Frank, Gordon, Kevin, and Patty.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching.

(🌿 - Indicates please stand, if able, in posture or in spirit.)

GATHERING MUSIC: Christmas Carols Praise Band

WELCOME

PRELUDE: "Celebrate the Child" arr. Stan Pethel
Praise Band

🌿 CALL TO WORSHIP

The night was dark.

A baby lay in a manger.

The night was still.

Angels sang to shepherds.

The night was expectant.

God's glory shone brightly.

On this night,

let us rejoice in the gift of love.

🌿 LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Christ our joy has come near. Emmanuel, God with us, has come to dwell with us as a tiny baby. "His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this".

🌿 GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR!

🌿 HYMN: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" #234
(v. 1, 2, 3, 4)

🌿 OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, this is a holy night. We come longing to hear your story of new life and hope. Speak your words of truth and power. May the gift of your love be born anew among us. Cast out our fears, that we may rejoice in your power and your goodness. Amen.

SOLO: "Once in Royal David's City" (#250) Elliot Snell

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE CHILDREN Pastor Michael

THE WORD THROUGH MUSIC: "We Three Kings" Asbury Ringers

READING: Luke 1:26-35, 38 Rev. David Simmons

🌿 HYMN: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #230
(v. 1)

READING: Matthew 1:18-25 Rev. Toby Schilling

🌿 HYMN: "The First Noel" #245
(v. 1)

CHOIR ANTHEM: "A Child is Born" Harlan

READING: Luke 2: 1-7 Jane Eastham

🌿 HYMN: "Away in a Manger" #217

READING: Luke 2: 8-20 Rev. Leon VanWie

🌿 HYMN: "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" #218
(v. 1)

CHRISTMAS MEDITATION: "What Was Seen in Bethlehem?"

CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying" by J. G. Walther

🌿 CHRISTMAS DOXOLOGY (Tune: "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" #218)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE PASSING OF THE LIGHT

🌿 HYMN: "Silent Night, Holy Night" #239

BLESSINGS Pastor Michael

🌿 HYMN: "Joy to the World" #246

POSTLUDE: "Chimes at Christmas" by J. Mansfield

2024 Memorial Poinsettia Plants

Brenda P. Harris

Ida and James Parker

Ellen Harris

William S. Harris, Jr.

Alvin J. Hasner

Mr. and Mrs. George H.

Hasner

Brother George

Mrs. Carol A. Hasner

Jim and Krista Juczak

Klaus

Tamara Klock

DeWitt Nichols

Pamela Quimby

Mary Bowman

Dr. Frank and Joanne
Rhode

Pam Shuman

Mark and Christine
Sutton

Clyde and Mary Kay
Scott

Darlene Welbourn
and Mary MacAdam

Mary Lambert

Bina and Miles West

Mr. and Mrs. William N.
West

2024 Memorial Tree Ornaments

Frances Goutremout
and Mary C. Smith

Connie Hewitt

Tamara Klock

Mary MacAdam

Bonnie Peck

Pamela Quimby

Kathy Ruhm

Jean Sayers and
Virginia Syrotchen

Dale and Marianne
Scott

Dr. Glen and Susan Snell

Darlene Welbourn
and Mary MacAdam

Suzanne Wrenn

Phyllis Sayers
Michael Sayers

Gerald Hewitt

DeWitt Nichols

Mary DeYear

Muriel Booth

Donald and Mary
Bowman

Helen and William
Quimby

Lawrence (Larry)
Lyndaker

Phyllis Sayers
Michael Sayers
Robert Syrotchen

Parents of Dale and
Marianne Scott

Our family and friends

Mary Lambert

Michelle Coutu Sykes