

Sunday, December 31, 2023

First Sunday after Christmas
The Lord's Day

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Dr. Kirby Keller

Organ Voluntary Yuletide Echoes Pat Shroff

& Quiet Reflection William Hodson

Call to Worship Isaiah 40:9 Rev. Dr. Kirby Keller

(Responsive) Shirley Long

Opening Hymn 107: Go Tell It on the Mountain Congregation

Prayer of Adoration Rev. Dr. Kirby Keller

Scripture Readings

The Old Testament Lesson:

Numbers 6:22-27

The Response:

Psalm 8:1-9

The New Testament Lesson:

Philippians 2:5-11

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Worship in Giving Malachi 3:10 Rev. Dr. Kirby Keller

Prayer Hymn 101: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly Congregation

Hymn 115: As with Gladness Men of Old Congregation

Hymn 110: While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks Congregation

Sermon What's in a Name? Rev. Dr. Kirby Keller

(Luke 2:15-25)

Closing Hymn 79: His Name Is Wonderful Congregation

Benediction Rev. Dr. Kirby Keller

Organ Postlude Joy to the World / Hallelujah Chorus Pat Shroff

Handel / Whitworth

Hospital Visitor This Week: Marlin Bohannon, 717-383-1153

Lector Jim Danielson Children's Church Leader Stephanie Hammer **Narthex Greeters** Dave & Kaye Focht Responder Shirley Long Organist Pat Shroff Sound Technician Bob Long **Pianist** Shellev Miller Video Technician Andrew Valentino **Flutist** Shirley Long Lead Pastor Rev. Dr. Tim Valentino Trumpeter Mel Leedom **Visitation Minister** Pat Strain Marcy Garman Office Administrator Trumpeter, Pianist Maureen Logan Trumpeter, Pianist Sonva Valentino Custodian Gloria Gravbill Hymn Leader, Vocalist Maureen Logan **Director of Buildings & Grounds** Will Robertson Rev. Dr. Kirby Keller Celebrant & Sermon



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Call to Worship: Isaiah 40:9

⁹You who bring good news to Zion, go up on a high mountain.

You who bring good news to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with a shout,

lift it up, do not be afraid;

say to the towns of Judah, "Here is your God!"

The Old Testament Lesson: **Numbers 6:22-27**

²²The Lord said to Moses, ²³ "Tell Aaron and his sons,

'This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:

²⁴" ' "The Lord bless you and keep you;

²⁵ the Lord make his face shine on you

and be gracious to you;

²⁶ the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

²⁷ "So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them."

The Response: Psalm 8:1-9

¹ LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory in the heavens.

²Through the praise of children and infants

you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

⁴ what is mankind that you are mindful of them,

human beings that you care for them?

⁵You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor.

⁶You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet:

⁷ all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,

8 the birds in the sky,and the fish in the sea,all that swim the paths of the seas.

⁹ Lord, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

The New Testament Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing

by taking the very nature of a servant,

being made in human likeness.

⁸And being found in appearance as a man,

he humbled himself

by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Worship in Giving: Malachi 3:10

¹⁰ Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.





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MUSIC: Conrad Kocher, 1838

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks 110





WORDS and MUSIC: Audrey Mieir, 1959

Irregular meter

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday: MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY Online via Zoom @ 7:00 p.m. **Sundays:** SUNDAY SCHOOL for all ages @ 9:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP in Dech Chapel @ 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, January 6: CHURCH FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

@ 8:30 a.m. in Zinn Commons

Please sign up to let us know how many will be attending. If you plan to bring food, please add it to the sign-up sheet.

Monday, January 8: MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING

7 p.m. in Zinn Commons + Online via Zoom

Thursday, January 11:

<u>WOMEN OF FAITH</u> @ 7:00 p.m. in Zinn Commons <u>MEN OF ADVENTURE</u> @ 7:00 p.m. at the Keller home

Sunday, January 21: CHURCH DINNER @ 12:15 p.m. in Zinn Commons. Please sign up to let us know how many will be attending. If you plan to bring food, please add it to the sign-up sheet.

The list of **Sharing Cupboard** current food needs: • Snack food • Spaghetti Sauce • Peanut Butter

- Chips Pretzels Cookies
 - Crackers Toiletries
 - · Other Regular Items

Prayer Requests: If you have any prayer requests for distribution, please send them to Pastor Tim at <u>pastortim@christcomm.church</u> or (484) 269-4313.

We are looking to start an active **Intercessory Prayer Team** rotation during our morning worshp service. If you would like more info on this way to serve, there is a sign up sheet in the narthex. Francy Lindenmuth will contact you.