

**Order of Service 12.6.2020**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Lighting the Advent Candle**  
Kalin Brooks

**Congregational Sing**  
*Days of Elijah*

**Verse 1**

These are the days of Elijah  
Declaring the Word of the Lord  
And these are the days  
Of Your servant Moses  
Righteousness being restored  
And though these are days  
Of great trials  
Of famine and darkness and sword  
Still we are the voice  
In the desert crying  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord

**Chorus**

Behold He comes  
Riding on the clouds  
Shining like the sun  
At the trumpet call  
So lift your voice  
It's the year of Jubilee  
And out of Zion's hill  
Salvation comes

**Verse 2**

And these are the days of Ezekiel  
The dry bones becoming as flesh  
And these are the days  
Of Your servant David  
Rebuilding a temple of praise  
And these are the days of the harvest  
The fields are as white in the world  
And we are the labourers  
In Your vineyard  
Declaring the Word of the Lord

**Bridge**

There's no god like Jehovah  
There's no god like Jehovah  
There's no god like Jehovah  
There's no god like Jehovah (hey)

**Here I Am to Worship**

**Verse 1**

Light of the world  
You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes let me see  
Beauty that made This heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

**Chorus**

So here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
And You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me

**Verse 2**

King of all days  
Oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly You came  
To the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

**Bridge**

I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross  
And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross

**Announcements**  
**Morning Prayer**  
**KID Central Dismissal**

**Anthem**

**O Holy Night**—Solo, Bobbijo Bohn

**Scripture Lesson**

**Luke 1:26-38**

**The Birth of Jesus Foretold**

26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, 27 to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." 29 But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. 30 The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. 32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. 33 He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." 34 Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" 35 The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. 36 And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. 37 For nothing will be impossible with God." 38 Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

**Sermon: Purpose**

**Apostle's Creed (No. 881)**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;

and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under  
Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he arose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth  
at the right hand of  
God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge  
the quick and the dead. I believe in the  
Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection  
of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

**Joy to the World**

**Verse 1**

Joy to the world the Lord has come  
Let earth receive her King  
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven heaven and nature sing

**Verse 2**

Joy to the world the Saviour reigns  
Let men their songs employ  
While fields and floods rocks hills  
and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat repeat the sounding joy

**Verse 3**

Oh He rules the world with  
truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders and wonders of His love

**Postlude**

The Rosebud on the altar is honor of the  
birth of Birth of Bexley Cate Bridges,  
daughter of Ramey & Matt Bridges,  
granddaughter of Faye & Clyde Kerns,  
great granddaughter of Peggy Ramey.

**Join us for a Candlelight Outdoor  
Christmas Celebration!**

12/20/20 at 6:30pm  
We will be doing Lessons & Carols and  
enjoy refreshments  
after the service.

Our Congregational-wide **Sunday School** is held in the CAC after our 9:00am service. For the month of December, we will be doing a Bible study of Advent. Brian Brooks and Gene Bragg are leading this group and we encourage you to attend if able. In order for us to grow as disciples we must spend time in the Word, live like Christ, and be a community of followers. We hope that even if you are unable to attend you will read the material and see what God has in it for you.

**Abba's Love**, the recently transformed women's shelter ran by Cleveland County Rescue Mission in Shelby is currently seeking **new women's and children's pajamas** (all sizes are needed). A lot of times when women and children flee to seek shelter, they often do not bring any belongings. These PJ's will be the first thing that they will change into after getting a shower to enter the shelter. Please bring your donations and put in the collection bin in the CAC hallway. Any questions, please see Debbie Greene.

**KID Central** Families will sit together in service and, after the morning prayer, KID Central volunteers will escort your children to their rooms and return them at the end of service. Volunteers will take every safety precaution that they can to keep your children as safe as possible.

## REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

Please consider donating these items directly to the Blessing Box located outside of our church. With your help, the box will be continuously stocked and will help serve so many in our community.

- December 1 - box of cereal
- December 2 - peanut butter
- December 3 - stuffing mix
- December 4 - boxed potatoes
- December 5 - macaroni and cheese
- December 6 - canned fruit
- December 7 - canned tomatoes
- December 8 - canned tuna
- December 9 - dessert mix
- December 10 - jar of applesauce
- December 11 - canned sweet potatoes
- December 12 - cranberry sauce
- December 13 - canned beans
- December 14 - box of crackers
- December 15 - package of rice
- December 16 - package of oatmeal
- December 17 - package pasta
- December 18 - spaghetti sauce
- December 19 - chicken noodle soup
- December 20 - tomato soup
- December 21 - can corn
- December 22 - can mixed vegetables
- December 23 - can carrots
- December 24 - can green beans

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### STEWARDSHIP REPORT ATTENDANCE

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#### Operating Fund

Contributions 11/29 \$	\$5,199.60
Contributions YTD \$	393,704.60

#### Capital Improvements Fund

Contributions 11/29 \$	150.00
Contributions YTD \$	3,968.00

### PRAYER LIST: PRAISES AND CONCERNS

*Praises and concerns will stay on this list for one month unless otherwise requested.*

**Members in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Homebound:** Peggy Ramey; Sara Griffin; Jane Edwards; Barbara Bridges; Doris Sweeting; Ruth Wilson, Betty Masters.

**Military Personnel:** SGT Tyler Dixon-Marines; SSGT Jonathan Brucker-Army; CAPT Alex Plonk-Air Force; S 1 Tyler Hellstrand-Navy; Abbey Wallace-Air Force (Afghanistan); SSG Colby Bailey—Army (Deployed); LT Boone McDaniel, Navy; CAPT Wendell Bunch, Jr.—Army; CAPT Alex Young,—Air Force; SP4 Joshua Brucker (Fort Campbell); Skyler Rhea—Army (Saudi Arabia).

**Praises:** Birth of Bexley Cate Bridges daughter of Ramey & Matt Bridges, granddaughter of Faye & Clyde Kerns; great granddaughter of Peggy Ramey on 11/20/20.

**Concerns (members/constituents/church-related concerns):** Guidance in developing new ministries; our college students; Community Kitchen Ministry; Tom Bennett 11.4.20; Jay Hendricks, Betty Master's son (surgery) 11.30.20.

**Concerns (friends/relatives/other concerns):** All children in need; Samuel Smith (cancer) 9.30.19; Cristi Boyd 9.30.19; Diane Larose 10.7.19; Crystal Braswell 10.16.19; The Family of Preston Lieser 11.11.20; The Family of Jerry Whetstine 11.9.20; Faye Petrey; (Suffered from a fall); Chip Sloane.