

Good
news
of Great
Joy.



Worthington Presbyterian Church
THE SERVICE FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

December 24, 2018

5:30 & 9:00 P.M.

Welcome on this holy evening!

Childcare is available for infants and toddlers (see an usher to guide you to nursery).

Please silence electronic devices.

Note on lighting candles: be sure candle extends above cup rim.

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

(5:30) PRELUDE

Dr. Stephen Jacoby, Organist
"Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day" James Biery
"Good King Wenceslas/Ding Dong Merrily on High" Ernie & Betty Brock
"Quelle est cette odeur agreeable" Dale Wood
"Mary, Did You Know?" Mark Lowery/Buddy Greene
"O Come, Come Emmanuel" Janet Linker/Jane McFadden
Ann Stimson, flute; David Edge, violin; Janet Thompson, harp
Celebration Ringers, Jennifer Fry Director

(9:00) PRELUDE

Dr. Stephen Jacoby, Organist
"Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day" James Biery
"I Saw Three Ships Come Sailing In/Arran Boat Song" Ernie & Betty Brock
"Quelle est cette odeur agreeable" Dale Wood
"Il est Ne" Ernie & Betty Brock
"What Child Is This" English traditional
"The Sussex Carol" Richard Lind
Ann Stimson, flute; Janet Thompson, harp

INVITATION TO A FESTIVAL OF ADORATION

Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont

One: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;

All: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

One: For unto us a Child is born, unto us a son is given; Authority rests upon his shoulders;

All: And his name will be called

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

(5:30) * CAROL #132

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

IN DULCI JUBILO

(9:00) * CAROL #133

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

ADESTE FIDELES

ANTHEM

"Angels' Carol"

John Rutter

The Chancel Choir

Have you heard the sound of the angel voices ringing out so sweetly, ringing out so clear? Have you seen the star shining out so brightly as a sign from God that Christ the Lord is here? Have you heard the news that they bring from heaven to the humble shepherds who have waited long? "Gloria in excelsis Deo!" Hear the angels sing their joyful song. He is come in peace in the winter's stillness, like a gentle snowfall in the gentle night; He is come in joy like the sun at morning filling all the world with radiance and with light. He is come in love as the child of Mary; in a simple stable we have seen his birth: "Gloria in excelsis Deo!" Hear the angels singing: "Peace on earth!" He will bring new light to world in darkness, like a bright star shining in the skies above; He will bring new hope to the waiting nations when he comes in purity and love. Let the earth rejoice at the Savior's coming; let the heavens answer with the joyful morn: "Gloria in excelsis Deo!" Hear the angels singing "Christ is born!"

(5:30) MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN
(9:00) SCRIPTURE MATTHEW 1:18-25

Joseph's Dream

Rev. Wayne Morrison
Owen Appel

ANTHEM

"He is Born"
The Chancel Choir

Dan Forrest

He is born, the divine Christ Child; play the musette and the bagpipe merrily! He is born, the divine Christ Child; sing we all of the Savior mild. Through long ages of the past, prophets long have foretold His coming; now the time has come at last. O how lovely, O how pure is this perfect Child of heaven, gracious gift to humankind. Jesus, Lord of all the world, coming as a child among us, grant to us Thy heavenly peace.

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:1-7

Our Savior's Birth

(5:30)
(9:00)

Andrew Rice
Kelsey Deistler

(5:30) CAROL #121 (remain seated)
(9:00) CAROL #129 (remain seated)

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"
"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

ST. LOUIS
ES IST EIN ROS

SCRIPTURE LUKE 2:8-20

The Shepherds' Witness

(5:30)
(9:00)

Natalie Moog
Kyle Deistler

(5:30) * CAROL #113
(9:00) * CAROL #119

"Angels We Have Heard on High"
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

GLORIA
MENDELSSOHN

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

(5:30) Rev. Wayne Morrison
(9:00) Dr. Tom Rice

THE LORD'S 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Offertory (5:30)
(9:00)

"O Come Let Us Adore Him"
Celebration Ringers
"Angels Medley"

Rev. Betsy Rice
arr. Jane McFadden

Ernie & Betty Brock
ANTIOCH

* Doxology

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
Let every heart prepare him room, And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing, And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.**

* Prayer of Dedication

SOLO

"O Holy Night"
Martha Duersten-Pettit

Adolphe Adam

O Holy night! The stars are brightly shining, it is the night of our dear Savior's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining, till he appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. Fall on your knees! Oh hear the angel voices! O night divine! O night when Christ was born. Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming, with glowing hearts by his cradle we stand; So, led by light

5:30 P.M. ADDITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Candle Lighters: Simon Blanke, Luke Gilbert, Mitchell MacDowell, Katie MacDowell, Natalie Moog, Conor O'Brien, Kennedy O'Brien. **Usher Team E:** John Gray and Dick Jones, Co-Captains; Andy Balsler, Don Batton, Spencer Budros, Dennis Decker, Jack Dicke, Cliff Frasher, Joyce Hinkle, Laurie Holden, Simmey Ketchum, Shirley Lambert, Larry & Leslie Snyder, Joann & Dury Sudduth; **Audio/Lighting:** George Leonard.

9:00 P.M. ADDITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Music Leaders: Melissa Robol, Carillon. **Candle Lighters:** Lily Appel, Owen Appel, Will Cooper, Elliott Hartwick, Ethan Markwood, Andrew Surface, Evan Surface. **Usher Team A:** Gregg Russell and Dan Foley, Co-Captains; Jeff Appel, Brendan Beck, Dan Bevan, Diana & Bob Clouse, Walt Furnas, Michael Geiger, Dan Gibson, George & Cindy Leonard, Harry Pukay-Martin, Don Sandoval, Mark & Betsy Senff; **Audio/Lighting:** Duane Cable

We thank WPC member Jack Haunty for the original art that graces our Christmas Eve bulletin cover.

MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Rev. Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont, Senior Pastor
Rev. Betsy Rice, Pastor for Member Ministries
Dr. David Rives, Director of Music
Dr. Stephen Jacoby, Organist

Rev. Dr. Tom Rice, Pastor for Discipleship
Rev. Wayne Morrison, Parish Associate for Visitation
Ms. Jenni Whitford, Director for Children's Ministry
Vacant, Director for Youth Ministry

A full staff directory may be found on our website.

Christmas Poinsettias and Greens are given to the glory of God as follows:

Given By

Richard & Debbie Birnie
Bob
Steve, Ann & Emily Burk
Bob & Diana Clouse
David & Gail Harrison Corvette
Jack & Beckie Dicke
Debbie & Steve Dieringer
The Dieringer Family
Judy & Walt Furnas
Eva Goode
John & Judy Gray

Petie & Joe Haase
Steve & Sandy Hindall
Tom & Nancy Jack
Dick & Jan Langhout
George & Cindy Leonard
Brenda, Rex & Don Lynne
Andy & Tracy MacDowell
The Mahoney Family
David & Alice Miskell
Brent, Susan, Brent & Morgan
Mulgrew
Deanna Olson
Wade & Heather Page
Dick & Marylou Posey
The Reichenbach and Walton
Families
Jessica & Mike Rudolph
Joyce & Ron St. Pierre
Lou Ann Shearer
Cindy & Joe Smiley
Larry & Leslie Snyder
Carol & Eric Sterbenz
Jo & Don Vick
Diane & Jeff White
Dave & Nancy Wilson
David & Amy Zambo

Given By

Marilou & Keith Beachler
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Bob
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The Conway Family
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Bill, Lee, Will, Kaley & Lincoln
Damsel and Emily, Drew & Levi Smith
Jack & Beckie Dicke
Timothy Dickey & Jennifer Hambrick
The Dieringer Family
Steve & Alli Drunkenmiller
The Eisenman Family
Susan, Jim & John Finn
Joan Freeman and Bob, Debbie &
Abby Dalton
Judy & Walt Furnas
Pam Galipault
Dan & Karen Gibson

In Honor of

Our Children and Grandchildren
WPC Teenagers; WW II Veterans
Robert Croye
Louise Kruder; Helen Clouse
Rodney Harrison
Our Kids and Grandkids
Our Children and Grandchild, Erin, Sara, Jac & Madeline
Jean Korfhage and Shirley Dieringer
Our Children, Terri, Andy & Missy
Pat Gibson; Jamy Wheeler
Our wonderful children and grandchildren: Amy & Dave Zambo;
Tracy, Andy, Ellie, Mitchell & Katie MacDowell
Our Grandchildren, Dillon, Jordan, Scarlett & Brooklyn
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Judy Mayday
John & Judy Gray celebrating their 50th anniversary on December 28th
The Hardy & Mahoney Families
Our Children, Todd & Karen Miskell
Eleanor Weiss

Mother, Mary Florence
Jeff White
Our Children and Grandchildren
Father, Robert Walton

Ardis Hollins
Our Children and Grandchildren
Loved Ones
Our Lovely Daughters, Casey & Sarah
Our Precious Children & Grandchildren; the Wilcox & Lynch Families
Marcia Smith; Eric's Parents, Joan Khatib & Robert Sterbenz
Their Parents
Our Mothers, Joan Humphrey and Wilma White
Helen C. Hilty
John & Judy Gray

In Loving Memory of

Our Mothers
Dr. Robert Plato; Kelly Zimmerman
Holocaust Victims; Rev. Herman S. Wilson
Martha & Lewis Huston
Merle & Roberta Conway; Richard & Donalda Latham
Robert C. Cupp
Gerald Arthur Kenney; William Ray Damsel, Sr.

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Dorothy Dickey; Barbara Lake; Graydon Hambrick
George Korfhage and Ted Dieringer
Jim Pheanis
Mark Eisenman
Flora & Chalmers Davies; Mary & Jack Finn; Jo Wishart
Dick Freeman

Our Parents; Ken & Claudia Wilkinson; Dick Borg; Ann Ickes
Virginia & Bernard Hecker; Margaret & Ray Mason
Our parents, George & Mildred Angel and Jim & Anne Gibson

Given By

Doug, Amy & Brooks Gilmore
David & Gail Harrison Corvette
The Rodney Harrison Family
Judy Hazelton & Family
Judith Hinkle
Kathy & Rich Hoffman
Sheri & David Holcomb
Stanton Ickes
Tom & Nancy Jack
Allan H, Dennis, Lynn & Tim Jones
Her Family
Carl & Kathy Krantz & Family
Connie Lewis & Family
Brenda, Rex & Don Lynne
Andy & Tracy MacDowell
The Mahoney Family
Kristen & Granger McKinney
John & Tricia Merrill
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The Montgomery & Jennings Families
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Mulgrew
Deanna Olson
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Tom Rieder, Judy Rieder's Parents &
Brother
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Lou Ann Shearer
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Carol & Eric Sterbenz
Lonnie, Tracy, Avery & Addie Tate
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Christopher & Sue Wilson
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Kathy Wolken
David & Amy Zambo
Joyce & Rick Zarnoch

In Loving Memory of

Jack & Clara McDaniel; Brooks C. Gilmore
Juanita Harrison
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The Reverend Dr. Philip M. Hazelton
Robert Hinkle; Abner N. Pinney
Mom, Claudia Keski
Betty Williamson; Lauralee Holcomb
Ann M. Ickes
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Rev. Alun O. Jones & Evelyn H. Jones Wood
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Our Parents
Our Parents
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Beloved Parents & Grandparents: Charles & Virginia Fetzer, Elwood &
Mildred Slicker
Lois & Ken Smith
Our Beloved Parents and Grandparents
William A. H. & Audrey Spratley; Ila & Water Van Vleck; Marge Van Vleck
Our Parents and Grandparents
Sandra Sterbenz; Carol's Parents, Earle & Marijane Mead
Gary Tate, Father and Grandfather
Steve Tumblin

Aileen Wheaton
Our Fathers, Homer Humphrey and Willard White
Aaron Wiechel
Pat Jones
Mr. & Mrs. Harland Wilcox
Betty, Tony and Cindy Wilson; D.E. Hilty
Dr. Donald Hilty; Delbert & Ruth Wilson
Jane Woods
Frank & Leah Martino
Paige Zarnoch; Patricia & Delbert Braden; Ethel & Joseph Zarnoch

WORTHINGTON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
*Brought to you by Jesus...
to make a difference*

Sundays at WPC are full of inspirational preaching, joyful music, engaging Christian education classes for all ages and stages, and time to connect with one another.

There are many ways we enjoy being brought together by Jesus to make a difference for Jesus and for the world God so loves.

A sampling of events and programming for the upcoming year:

New Sermon Series: *Gospel Shorthand: The Christian Journey in 13 Words*

January 6, 13, and 20, Dr. Piermont will explore an “elevator speech” of sorts on what it means to be a Christian, a shorthand way to remember the basics of who we are and what we aim to be as Christian disciples, as well as a way to engage in positive, “unchurchy” conversation about your faith journey with non-Christian co-workers and friends.

For Couples: *Created for Connection*

Dr. Colby Srsic, Ph.D, WPC member and psychologist will lead a 6-week program designed to help create stronger, more secure relationships not only between partners, but between God and us. Wednesdays, **January 23-February 27**, 6:30-8:30 p.m., with dinner and childcare provided. RSVP by January 16 to srsic.1@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School: *Adventures in God's World*

Join us for a week of crafting, singing, storytelling and games as we learn about God's love. **June 3-7**, 9 a.m.-Noon. Ages Preschool through 6th grade.

Youth Summer Mission Trip: *Serving in Indiana, Attending Youth Triennium*

After several days of volunteering for United Way in Lafayette, Indiana, our youth will join several thousand Presbyterian Youth from across the country for an action-packed, faith-filled Christian conference. **July 13-20**.

Feeding the Hungry

WPC partners with several local agencies to relieve hunger and help those in need, including serving 250 monthly meals, more than 200 Thanksgiving family dinners, sponsoring Christmas gifts for more than 50 families, and more.

Mission in Honduras: *Montaña de Luz*

WPC maintains a strong partnership with an orphanage serving Honduran children affected by HIV/AIDS. Ongoing support includes an annual mission trip to empower children and build international friendships, **June 12-19**.

Celebration of Sound Concert Series: *Muskingum University Concert Choir*

A free concert for the community, **Sunday, February 24** at 3 p.m. This outstanding ensemble, directed by Dr. Zebulon Highben, recently toured the United Kingdom, singing in worship at St Paul's Cathedral (London) and collaborating musically with the University of Glasgow Chapel Choir.