

Sunday, December 22, 2013

I will praise the LORD all my life; I will give praise to my God as long as I live.
Psalm 146:2

THANK YOU to those who are serving us during worship today.

MUSICIAN: Janet Johnson

GREETERS. Today –North door – Ken & Nancy Mehmen

South door – Pat & Deb Prier

Next week – North door – Dennis & Sharon Schipper

South door – Don & Annie Allspach

USHERS. Today, a.m. – Ken Johnson

Next week, a.m. – Mark Kramer

COFFEE SERVERS. This week – Pat & Deb Prier

Next week- Cory & Kamie Shepard

THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today 9:30 a.m. –Worship Service
10:45 a.m. – Sunday School and Catechism
6:00 p.m. - Home for Christmas Program

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. – Candlelight Service

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. – Christmas Day Worship

Next Sunday 9:30 a.m. –Worship Service
10:45 a.m. - Sunday School and Catechism
6:00 p.m. – Worship Services

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The congregation expresses its Christian sympathy to Pastor Rus and Mary in the passing of Pastor Rus's brother. May God richly comfort their hearts through the assurance that "to be with Christ is far better".

Sharon DeVries was admitted to the hospital in Beloit, KS on Tuesday with an infectious ulcer on her foot, shortage of breath, and recurring nosebleeds. She is on IV antibiotics and they are working to remove the infected area in her foot. On Thursday she was given two pints of blood and she has had several x-rays, MRIs and CT scans on both her feet and chest, and is awaiting test results. Please keep her in your prayers.

Congratulations to Paul & Ruth Haan who will be observing their 58 th wedding anniversary on December 26th..

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited for coffee and fellowship following the worship service this morning.

Candlelight Service put on by the young people .will be at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday evening.

Our Christmas Day Service will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday morning. The offering will be for the Food Pantry.

The second offering next week will be for the Faith Promise.

You are invited to **Home for Christmas** tonight at 6:00 p.m..where you'll experience all the fun and excitement of a downtown Christmas parade in front of .Holly's Department Store Lots of laughs, music, food, and the real meaning of Christmas will be shared! Please invite a friend (or two!).

Donations of Christmas goodies for Home for Christmas tonight would be greatly appreciated.

Attention kids! We need you to participate in the Home for Christmas program tonight. Just dress like you're going to an outdoor Christmas parade. We'll be having a walk through this afternoon and the kids can arrive around 4:45 p.m. to go through their part a couple of times.

Home for Christmas participants are asked to be a church at 3:00 p.m. this afternoon to walk through the program. If you have any questions about your part please see Angie.

There will be no **Life Plus** on December 25 or January 1.

Bingo at Maple Manor. It is our turn to assist the residents play Bingo on Friday, December 27th. Meet at the church at 1:45 to share rides. Madaline, Marie, Marge and Harold love it when we come.

Meal Delivery. It will be our turn to deliver meals during the month of January. A calendar can be found in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up for the times you would like to deliver meals.

The Gift Bags for Christmas are in the south entry. Please remember the shut-ins of our church during the holiday season.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

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Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship: **Psalm 100:1-3**

God's Greeting

Song of Praise: TCH 548 **As the Deer**

Praise Selection: Responsive Reading TCH 628
"I Will Be with You"

Hymn: TCH 640 **Sweet Hour of Prayer**

Time of Prayer

Offertory & Offering for the General Fund

*Hymn: TCH 530 **I Will Call Upon the Lord**

Scripture **I Samuel 1:1-20** (pg. 418)

Message: **SORROW TO JOY**

Prayer of Application

Hymn: TCH 541 **The Joy of the Lord**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 627 **Cares Chorus**

*Postlude