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We are so excited to share that we are now streaming our 10:45AM service in multiple locations of the church. For those of you with little ones, you can always catch the service LIVE on the television in the nursery located on the first floor. Also, the service is LIVE in the fellowship hall downstairs on the big screen. Also, our youth leaders have access to the service on a television in our Christian Education wing upstairs.

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10:45AM Rev. Jason Elliott December 21, 2025

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

4th SUN. ADVENT READING/CANDLE LIGHTING

Everhart Family

HYMN

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

See insert/#9

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Loving God, we humbly ask for your forgiveness. Open our eyes and soften our hearts that we may faithfully serve you as we should. Fill us with the gift of love that we may love others.

MOMENT FOR SILENT MEDITATION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Friends, believe the Good News
RESPONSE: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

SPECIAL MUSIC “Mary, Did You Know?” Kayla Renner and Isaiah Ramsey

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE APOSTLES’ CREED (Traditional) 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

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.

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 1:18-25

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be pregnant from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

²² All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: ²³ "Look, the virgin shall become pregnant and give birth to a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." ²⁴ When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife ²⁵ but had no marital relations with her until she had given birth to a son, and he named him Jesus.

SERMON

"God is with Us"

Rev. Elliott

SPECIAL MUSIC "He Gave the Greatest Gift of All" Dave and Hannah Meyer
Accompanied by Erik Lucas

***BENEDICTION/DISMISSAL**

Love God. Love Others.

Chancel Flowers Today Our vases this morning are in loving memory of Loved Ones by Linda Wells and in loving memory of The Chivers, Fristick and Corrigan Families by John & Sandy Corrigan.

Mission Cans- This week our mission cans will go to Church Youth Groups.

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service will begin at **4:00 pm.** on Wednesday, December 24, 2025.

YOUTH EVENT We will enjoy a time of Board Games Sunday, December 28th from Noon – 2:00 pm. See Glory or Cherie for more information.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THE NEXT 2 WEEKS

Monday 12/22 – 8:30 am – 3:30 pm.

Tuesday 12/23 – 8:30 am – 3:30 pm.

Wednesday 12/24 - CLOSED

Thursday 12/25 – CLOSED

Friday 12/26 – CLOSED

Monday 12/29 – 8:30 am – 3:30 pm.

Tuesday 12/30 – 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Wednesday 12/31 - CLOSED

Thursday 1/1 - CLOSED

Friday 1/2 - CLOSED

Birthdays & Anniversaries this week - Birthdays: Colton Davis (12/21), Jamie Spencer (12/21), Kylie Davis (12/22), Tarik Minto (12/23), Susan Jordan (12/24) and Victoria Hasak (12/27).

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