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A D V E N T
Adventure



Sharonville United Methodist Church

Sunday, December 15, 2019

Third Sunday of Advent - Joy in the Adventure

Traditional Worship

8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
December 15, 2019

PRELUDE "Tidings of Comfort and Joy" Traditional Carol

WELCOME
NEWS OF THE CHURCH

*GREETING TIME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say Rejoice!

OUR JOY IS IN THE LORD WHO BLESSES US

Shout for joy, for the Lord is near

ALL PRAISE TO GOD FOR ALL HE HAS DONE

Let your praise dance and swirl in tribute to God!

HALLELUJAH! PRAISE BE TO GOD!

*HYMN "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" #213

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH
Melissa Ross (8:15)
Choir Members (11:00)

*HYMN (8:15) "O Little Town of Bethlehem" #230

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00)

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

Offertory "Ordinary Child" Paula Clements
(piano solo)

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM (11:00) "The Yearning" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:39-45
Judy Hotz (8:15)
Susan Bobbitt (11:00)

SERMON "Joy in the Adventure" Pastor Ann Wurster

*HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #89

*CLOSING PRAYER

*POSTLUDE Christmas Postlude on "In Dulci Jubilo"

Hymn Leader: Michael Turner

* Please Stand

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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Luke 1:39-45

Mary Visits Elizabeth

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISING THE LORD

"It's Christmas Medley (Away in a Manger, Go Tell it on the Mountain, Jesus What a Wonderful Child)"

"Christmas Day"

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Hardman Family

"You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

Greeting Time

News of the Church

Registration of Attendance

Announcements

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING TO THE LORD

Community Prayer and Lord's Prayer

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING TO THE LORD

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

"Hope of Israel"

WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING THE WORD OF THE LORD

Video Presentation

Scripture Lesson

Luke 1:39-45

Message

"Joy in the Adventure"

Pastor Ann Wurster

WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT TO THE LORD

"Joy to the World"

Benediction

At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea,

where she entered Zechariah's home and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

In a loud voice she exclaimed: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear!

But why am I so favored, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy.

Blessed is she who has believed that what the Lord has said to her will be accomplished!"

Advent Adventure
Sunday December 15th
Title: Joy In The Adventure
Scripture: Luke 1:39-45



This Advent Adventure is a journey through Advent,
 calling each of us to P_____ for Jesus to come anew into our lives.

In *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*, Narnia is a lot like our world.

It has G_____ and evil

In our scripture, Elizabeth needs Mary and Mary needs E_____.

Elizabeth encourages Mary's Faith:

Faith that she is not I_____ an angel.

Faith that God has C_____ her and he as a plan.

Faith that she can F_____ God's lead.

Faith that God will be W_____ H_____

EMMANUEL means "G_____ with us"

In *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*, Edmund chooses the Witch.

If we are honest, there is a little bit of E_____ in all of us.

Who will you E_____? Who encourages you?

Mary's fear and anxiety turn into J_____.

She bursts into song, called Mary's S_____ or The Magnificat.

December 15, 2019



Lord, Hear Our Prayers for:

Edna Bryan, Tami Baur, Mark Lykins, Amy Peterson, Niki Gordon, Jean & Dick Herbert, Jim and April Meyers, Dan Meyers, David, Noel, Joshua, David McPherson, Alma Rasch, Steve Bennett, Baby Evie & her parents, Dyland Coyle and Robin

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD!



Dec 15
David Morris

Dec 16
Bill Fox

Dec 17
Morgan Hill

Dec 21
Todd Stone

Sun - Dec 15	8:15 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm	Traditional Worship Contemporary Worship Faith Development Traditional Worship Youth/Children Caroling	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Various Sanctuary
Mon - Dec 16	10:00 am 1:00 pm 6:15 pm	Women's Bible Study Power Packs (Packing) MOPS	Rm. 207/209 Youth Lounge
Tues - Dec 17	7:00 pm	Finance Comm. Meeting	Library
Weds - Dec 18	9:00 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm	PS Gift Wrap Power Pack Deliveries Choir Rehearsal	Lobby Choir Room
Fri - Dec 20	10:00 am	Power Pack Deliveries	
Sat - Dec 21		FIRST DAY OF WINTER	
Sun - Dec 22	8:15 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Traditional Worship Contemporary Worship Faith Development Traditional Worship	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Various Sanctuary

The flowers on the altar are lovingly given by Margie Manny in honor of Morgan Hill's 5th birthday on December 17th.
 Love you Tinkermouse!





2019 Christmas Card & Cookie (CCC) Rally for SUMC Shut-In's

The Not So Quiet Group is sponsoring the *SUMC Shut-In Christmas Card & Cookies Rally* again this year. We have 23 shut-ins.

If you have any questions, contact Don or Judy Hotz (829-7455).

Remember—all Christmas Cards and Cookies must be dropped off by 9:30 am on 12/15.

Thank you. Not So Quiet Group

Stay Warm this Winter! (mentally anyway)

Mark your calendars for Wednesdays starting **January 15th** and running through February for “Winter Wednesday” classes at 7pm. These offerings will be supported by **Amplify**, a new web based video tool. If we have to miss, the materials are online! Melissa Subit will be facilitating **Fierce**, a women’s study by Jennifer Cowart. Morgan Will be facilitating **Enough?**, a series created by Adam Hamilton. More details in the coming weeks!

From the office

The year end is fast approaching and 2019 giving statements will be going out in January 2020. Our new database allows us to email your statements to you, so please make sure we have your current email address. We will mail statements to members we don't have emails for.

Also:

Please check the table by the entry doors (office side) for your 2020 giving envelopes. Vicki Beeman

Women of Alabaster Wish List:

Please prewash items before donating items.

- **Clothing:** leggings, socks, underwear, bras, hoodies, zip up hoodies, tank tops, pants (jeans & sweats only), coats, sweaters, & gloves (accepted seasonally)
- **Shoes:** sneakers, flip flops
- **Beauty:** brushes/combs, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, hairspray, lotion, razors
- **Feminine Products:** tampons
- **Household Items:** sheets, towels, wash cloths, pillowcases, new pillows, blankets, toilet paper, paper towels, toiletries, cleaning products (Windex, bleach, 91% alcohol, Swiffer Wet Jet Liquid Inserts and Pads)
- **Kitchen Products:** Ziploc Bags, snack food, coffee, creamer, coffee filters, milk
- **Miscellaneous:** Kroger/plastic bags, journals, pens, pencils, cleaning products, purses, Christian Books, PG movies, medicine (Tylenol, allergy, stomach, gas, cough/cold drops,

What we DO NOT accept:

- high heels/stilettos, used underwear, lingerie, heavily used or stained items, miniskirts/short-shorts/mini-dresses

Please contact Scarlet Hudson at (513)543-5656 for donation questions.



Our sympathy to the family and friends of:
Bonnie Ehlers, Joyce Ross and Doris Bergan



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE TIMES

5:00 pm Family Service
7:00 pm Traditional Candlelight Service