

Stewardship of Time and Talents, December 28, 2014

General.....\$1,277.05	Parsonage\$105.00
Hospitalization\$40.00	Christmas Offering.....\$30.00
Coffee Outreach.....\$14.00	Hall Use.....\$50.00
Outreach Cookies.....\$120.90	Pauline Thiebaut.....\$25.00
Attendance: Worship – 38	Sunday school –

Schedule of Events

Today, January 4, 2015	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
Monday, January 5, 2015	9:00 a.m.	Sermon Shaping
Tuesday, January 6, 2015	7:00 p.m.	Scout Meeting
Wednesday, January 7, 2015	9:00 a.m.	Book Club
Friday, January 9, 2015	8:00 a.m.	REACH School
Saturday, January 10, 2015	10:00 a.m.	Food Pantry
	10:00 a.m.	Reserved for Judy Amend

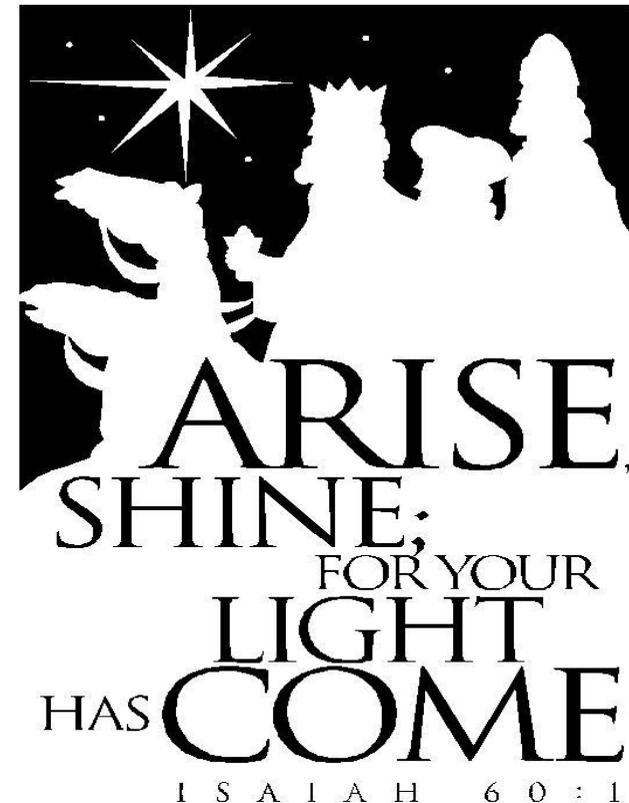
Participants in this morning's Worship Service

Pastor	Rev Bruce McDaniel
Organist.....	Linda Allen
Pianist.....	Kathy Bame
Liturgist	Anne Deutschman
Greeters: East	Pat Fortney
North	Bruce & Deb Smith

Prayer/Concerns Requests

Sherrad Adam	Jim Avery	Mary Briggs
Family of Nancy Bostdorff	Lisa Cole	Joe Colen
Family of Dennis Deters	Nydia Deutschman	Josh Earl
Dale Fry	Tom Hales	Carole Hummel
Zak Hunter	Charlotte Jones	Char Kelly
Tom Hales	Family of Tom & Char Horky	Brent Hoestetler
Virgil Krassow	Karen Landries	Roy and Vicki Lanham
David Lowe	Nancy Lowe	Kay Michaels
Marcia Moore	Luann Palmer	Robert Palmer
Joe Perez	Laura Rothhaar	Family of Bob Sabo
Family of Nicholas Salaz	Derek Stender	Family of Michael Wenig

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Worship: 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
 Christ Church Vision Statement:
 CHRISTIAN SERVANTS UNITED IN MISSION TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD

Christ United Methodist Church

January 4, 2014
Epiphany Sunday

We Gather for Worship

Sharing of Events & Ministries

Passing of the Peace (Greet one another with gestures of welcome)

Prelude as the Light of God enters Among Us

Call to Worship (Stand if you are able)

Anne Deutschman

Lift up your eyes, O lands of the earth! For the star of the Lord has burst through the night!

WE SHALL LIFT UP OUR EYES TO FOLLOW ITS PATH; WE SHALL TAKE UP OUR STAFFS TO EMBARK ON OUR JOURNEY.

Arise, shine; for your light has come! The glory of heaven has risen upon you!

WE SHALL SEE AND BE RADIANT; WE SHALL THRILL AND REJOICE—

All: For this star shall dance over the cradle of God!

Invocation (Stand if you are able)

Anne Deutschman

O Lord, we have come. Come, now, to us. Send upon us your Grace, for you have called us to be its stewards. Speak to us your Word, for you have summoned us to be its witnesses. Show us your Body, for you have made us to be its members. Let the working of your power be seen among us, O God, that our works declare your presence among the nations.

Hymn #254 We Three Kings

We Proclaim God's Word

Time with the Children

"Is Christmas Really Over?"

Hearing the Sacred Text

Isaiah 60:1-6

Anne Deutschman

Litany

The Lord our God has sent our Savior! The face of God shines among the peoples!

O HEAVEN AND EARTH, RAISE GLORY TO GOD! O MOUNTAINS, ECHO THE PRAISE OF THE PRAIRIES!

For our Savior shall live longer than the moon, beyond the sun, through all generations!

O SHOWERS, FALL AND SWEETEN THE GRASS! O WASTELANDS, FLOWER; AND DESERTS, BLOOM!

For our Savior shall hear the sigh of the orphan, the cry of the outcast, throughout the ages!

FROM SEA TO SEA, TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH, THE PEOPLES GATHER TO BEHOLD THE LORD!

For justice rides on the Savior's shoulder, and righteousness strides on the Savior's heel.

All: "Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let heaven and nature sing!"

Hearing the Sacred Text

Matthew 2:1-12

Anne Deutschman

Interpretation of the Sacred Text

"Staying Focused"

We Respond to God's Word

Offering our Prayer

Sharing our Prayer

Time of Silent and Personal Prayer

Offering our Presence, Gifts, Service and Witness

Invitation

Doxology

Offering Prayer

Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup

Prayer

We Are Sent Forth

Hymn #725 Arise, Shine Out, Your Light Has Come

Blessing

Radiant God, we have followed your star over field and fountain, moor and mountain, traveling far to find you.

WITH GREAT JOY WE HAVE OFFERED YOU OUR GIFTS. AND, RECEIVING THEM, YOU HAVE LAVISHED UPON US THE UNSEARCHABLE RICHES OF CHRIST.

Now, having knelt before you, let us not return to Herod, but let us depart to our homes by a new way.

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