

The Sixth Day of Christmas
December 30, 2012 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.

GATHERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGAN PRELUDE "Noël with Variations" Claude D'Aquin

*HYMN OF INTENTION "There's a Song in the Air" No. 249
(CHRISTMAS SONG)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come away, come away...

People: **We come with wonder, we come with awe.**

Leader: Sing with joy, praise God, for the time of promise has come.

People: **We come to sing the good news of Emmanuel. Christ has come; let us sing!**

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" (ADESTE FIDELES) No. 234 v1

Leader: Come away, come away, come today to Bethlehem.

"Angels We Have Heard on High" (GLORIA) No. 238 v3

Leader: Come adore on bended knee, Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.

"What Child Is This" (GREENSLEEVES) No. 219 v1

Leader: Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" (ST. LOUIS) No. 230 v2

Leader: O morning stars together, proclaim the holy birth, and praises sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth.

"Let There Be Peace on Earth" (WORLD PEACE) No. 431

Leader: Having come, and sung, and adored; having brought praises and proclaimed the heavenly birth may we all commit ourselves to the peace that was meant to be; the peace that we find in the nearness of the God-come-near, Jesus.

+DUET "Were You There on That Christmas Night?" Natalie Sleeth
Kathy Schirra, Cindy Wilcox

+++ "Away in the Manger" (AWAY IN THE MANGER) No. 217 v3

CHILDREN'S MOMENT & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Kathy Schmucker, Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation

Lord God, we pray for you to love us and to bless us and all your dear children on this Christmas Day. We pray for you to fit us for heaven that we may live with you there. How can we be made fit? How can we get to heaven? Heaven seems so far.

We are grateful, Lord God, that you have answered our pleas with your presence. We are grateful that you have come to us right where we are. We are grateful that we are not charged with entering heaven, only with allowing heaven to enter us.

Fill us with the power of the Holy Spirit that we may live into the will of heaven on earth; that we may, with Christ, open heaven's door and spread forth God's blessings to all forevermore with rejoicing. Amen!

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (IN DULCI JUBILO) No. 224 v2

OFFERING

OFFERTORY + "Hodie" Jay Althouse

Andy Dolvin, Tenor

+++ "The Music of Christmas" Joseph M. Martin

Joy Unlimited Alums Steve Moore, Director

*DOXOLOGY FOR CHRSTMASTIDE (OLD 100th)

Praise God whose dawn transfigures night,

Whose Daystar shines for us on high,

Whose Spirit brings into our sight

The hope to which our world draws nigh. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 2:1-7 Pg.58 NT

"The Friendly Beasts" (ORIENTIS PARTIBUS) No. 227 v1

SHARING CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

INVITATION TO PRAYER

"Silent Night, Holy Night" (STILLE NACHT) No. 239 v3

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we

forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and

glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 2:8-14 Pg.58 NT

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" (MENDELSSOHN) No. 240 v1

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 2:15-16 Pg.58 NT

"Sing We Now of Christmas" (FRENCH CAROL) No. 237 v3

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 2:16-20 Pg.58

REFLECTION *Do You See What I See?*
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

Said the night wind to the little lamb: Do you see what I see?

Way up in the sky, little lamb, do you see what I see?

A star, a star dancing in the night, with a tail as big as a kite.

Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy: Do you hear what I hear?

Ringin' thru the sky, shepherd boy, do you hear what I hear?

A song, a song high above the tree, with a voice as big as the sea.

Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king: Do you know what I know?

In your palace warm, mighty king, do you know what I know?

A Child, a Child shivers in the cold, let us bring Him silver and gold.

Said the king to the people ev'rywhere: Listen to what I say!

Prayer for peace, people ev'rywhere, listen to what I say!

The Child, the Child sleeping in the night.

He will bring us goodness and light.

HYMN OF MISSION "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" No. 251
(GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN)

BENEDICTION

*+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel" (MCGEE)

No. 204

*+++CHORAL RESPONSE "A Closing Prayer" Don Besig

*ORGAN POSTLUDE "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" Henry Kihlken

**Please stand if you are able*

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Next Sunday at Faith Church

Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

8:30 AM – Joanne Fox, Hammered Dulcimer / VOCl Quartet

11:00 AM – Chancel Choir / VOCl Quartet

Announcements

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY at 9:45 or 11:00. Childcare is available in Room 18. New Sunday School Classes will begin on January 6th.

January 6 - Special Sunday School Session: The Holy Land

Today Special Video presentation by Adam Hamilton. 9:45 AM – Jim Skinner, 11:00 AM – Sue Bell/Kathy Schmucker, Room 16

Young Adult Christmas Get-Together Young adults (ages 18-30) are invited to a dinner on January 3rd at 6:30pm in the Parlor at Faith UMC. Please RSVP to the church if you plan on attending.

New Year/Act of Grace Prayer Station A prayer experience will be available in the Gathering Area from December 28th – January 9th to guide us in praying for the New Year and Faith UMC's 2013 theme, *Act of Grace*.

An important and timely reminder from the Finance Ministry

Team: In accordance with IRS regulations, to be deductible on individual tax returns for the calendar year 2012, donations to Faith UMC must be dated and postmarked by December 31, 2012 or delivered to the church **on or before noon, Monday, December 31, 2012.**

New Small Groups Begin in January!

- “Jonah Navigating a Life Interrupted” – begins Jan. 9th, Women’s Bible Study, West Parlor, Facilitator: Linda Reynolds
- “How to Get the Greatest Benefit from Bible Study” – Jan. 14 & 21, 7:00 PM, West Parlor, Facilitator: Bob Kuchner
- “Faithful Abundant, True: Three Lives Going Deeper” – Jan. 14-Feb. 19, Women’s Bible Study, 6:30pm, West Parlor, Facilitators: Sue Bell & Laura Luikart
- “Jesus’ Parables of Grace” – alternating Mondays, Women’s Small Group, Samantha’s Restaurant, Contact: Sandy Vaughn & Lauralee Stiffler

An Invitation to Church Membership There are two choices for membership classes this January. You are asked to attend all classes for whichever day of the week you sign up for. You may choose to attend on Wednesday evenings January 9, 16, 23, and 30 from 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM OR two Saturday mornings January 19 and 26 from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM.

New Members will be received during the 9:45 AM service on Sunday, January 13. We realize that date is in the middle of the membership classes.

Please call the church office to reserve your spot in the membership classes of your choice and to arrange childcare by Sunday, January 6. Lauralee Stiffler - 330.499.6040 x13 or lstiffler@faithumchurch.org

Online Giving is now available for those who have a PayPal account! Go to our website: faithumchurch.org, click on [Resources](#) on the homepage, scroll down to [Donate](#) and over to [Online Giving](#). It’s that easy! If you don’t currently have a PayPal account, it’s free and easy to setup at paypal.com.

Tired of all that Holiday Baking? Need some coffee? Support our Fair Trade Ministry by purchasing coffee, tea, chocolate bars and baking chocolate! We are reminded by the Bishop about the importance of this cause. In addition this is a great way to give two-fold this holiday season. Check it out outside of the church office.

Advent Books STILL Available! Our daily Advent devotions will continue through Christmas and Epiphany on January 6th. View **ONLINE, through the Spiritual Formation Blog, & in print!** In an effort to be good stewards of our resources, we have a limited number of printed Advent Devotionals. Please visit the website to view the devotional digitally each day throughout Advent and to comment and share your story!! (www.faimthumchurch.org) or the blog www.faimthumchurch.wordpress.com)

Worship Attendance Last Sunday:

8:30	9:45	11:00	Total
134	139	175	448

Christmas Eve Service Attendance:

5PM: 183 7PM: 255 9PM: 281 11PM: 123 TOTAL: 842

THIS WEEK AT FAITH CHURCH

Sunday

9:45 & 11
5:30 pm

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

9:15 am
11:30 am
6:30 pm
7:00 pm
7:30 pm

Thursday

12:00 pm
2:00 pm
5:45 pm
6:30 pm
6:30 pm

Friday

Saturday

December 30

No Sunday School (begins Jan. 6)
Joy Unlimited Youth Choir, Choir Room

December 31

January 1

Happy New Year!
Office Closed

January 2

Women’s Morning Study Group, West Parlor
Office Staff Meeting
Sewing For Missions, Robinson Hall
Confirmation Mentor Meeting, West Parlor
Chancel Choir

January 3

Library Volunteers
Prayer Shawl Ministry, Parlor
Boy Scouts – God & Life, Rm 5
Cub Scouts, Wesley Hall
Young Adult Christmas Get-Together, Parlor

January 4

January 5



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WELCOME!

On this Sunday after Christmas, it’s with continuing joy that we gather to praise Almighty God. With warmth and happiness, we welcome all!

Co-Pastors: Rev. Steve and Cara Stultz Costello
Organist: William Kaiser

The altar flowers are given by Gwen, Bob and Dave Force in memory of their husband and father, Red.

December 30, 2012

- Communion is available today in the Chapel. Guided meditation books are available. Please enter quietly.
- Large print copies of the order of worship and hearing aid devices are available from the ushers.
- Restrooms are located in the hallway off the Gathering Area.
- Find Sunday School for all ages & Childcare Info inside!
- Copies of the weekly Prayer List are available at the Information Station in the Gathering Area along with Jan/Feb Upper Room & Daily Bread devotionals.



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