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Second Sunday of Advent – December 4, 2022

THE GATHERING

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Prelude		David Diebold
Welcome and Call to Worship		Dr. Mark Bender
Opening Hymn	<i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	No. 150

***Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"***

***Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the incarnate Deity,
pleased in flesh with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"***

***Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings,
mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"***

The Lighting of the Advent Candle		Duane & Dixie Williams
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Unison Prayer:

Faithful God, you are at work to restore all of creation in its intended harmony. Give us your shalom that we may be reconciled to all in the peace that passes all understanding. This we pray through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Response	<i>When God Is a Child – vs. 2</i> <i>Peace is a ribbon that circles the earth, giving a promise of safety and worth. When God is a child there's joy in our song.</i>	No. 132
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*The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.*

THE PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading	Isaiah 9:2-7	Claire Baer
Children's Message		Claire Baer
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer		Dr. Mark Bender
	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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.	
Anthem	<i>For Unto Us a Child Is Born</i> from <i>Messiah</i> – Handel	Chancel Choir
Sermon	<i>Prince of Peace</i>	Dr. Mark Bender

THE RESPONSE

Communion Hymn	<i>It Came Upon a Midnight Clear</i> – vs. 1, 2 & 4	No. 153
	<i>It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold; “Peace on the earth, good will to all, from heaven’s all gracious King.” The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing. Still through the cloven skies they come, with peaceful wings unfurled, and still their heavenly music floats o’er all the weary world; above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hovering wing, and ever o’er its Babel sounds the blessed angels sing. For lo, the days are hastening on, by prophet seen of old, when with the ever circling years shall come the time foretold; when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendors fling, and the whole world send back the song which now the angels sing.</i>	

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution		Alan Freeman
Prayers for the Bread & Cup		Richard Phillips & Ann Hunter
Partaking of the Bread and Cup		

All believers are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.

I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

THE OFFERING

Moment for Mission		Dr. Mark Bender
Offertory	<i>On All Who Walk in Darkness</i> – Dengler	Chancel Choir
*Doxology		No. 46

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below:***

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

*Offertory Prayer

THE SENDING

Sent from the Table & Invitation to Discipleship

Dr. Mark Bender

Closing Hymn

Hail to the Lord's Anointed – vs. 1, 3 & 4

No. 140

***Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son!
Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, to set the captives free,
to take away transgressions, and rule in equity.***

***He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth.
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth.
Before him, on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go,
and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.***

***To him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend,
his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.***

***The tide of time shall never his covenant remove.
His name shall stand forever; that name to us is Love.***

Benediction

Jeanette Showalter

Postlude

David Diebold

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MEMORIALS AND HONORS

In memory of Sam Maynor given by Pat Duncan, Craig & Sheila Reynolds.

Sermon Notes

1. It's been a month...

2. Striking names

3. Tracking the tenses

4. Working for shalom

5. A vision

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CALENDAR

Sunday, December 4 Second Sunday of Advent		
8:40 am	Worship Service	Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday School	
9:30 am	Journey Through Scripture	Parlor
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary/ Livestream
NO	College Bible Study	
3:45 pm	Chancel Ringers (High School-Adults)	Stratten Hall
5:00 pm	Young Disciples Choir (Grades K-5)	Stratten Hall
5:00 pm	Youth Activities (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
6:00 pm	Young Disciples (Grades K-5)	Room 402/405
6:00 pm	New Testament Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
Monday, December 5		
7:30 am-6:00 pm	Children Come First "CCF" (M-F)	
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Young Ages Preschool "YAS" (M-F)	
9:00 am	CCF Chapel	Chapel
9:00 am	YAS Visiting with Santa	Parlor
5:30 pm	ComTech Ministry Meeting	Room 405
6:00 pm	Leadership Development Committee Meeting	Room 310
7:30 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 15	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, December 6		
9:00 am	YAS Visiting with Santa	Parlor
9:30 am	FCC Staff Meeting / Worship Planning	Room 310
10:30 am	YAS Walking to the Fantasy of Lights	MSU
6:30 pm	Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups Anger Management, Parenting, Rebuilding Your Life,	Rooms 304-308
Wednesday, December 7		
7:00 am	Elders' Breakfast	Room 405
9:00 am	CCF Spanish	Room 300
10:00 am	CCF Visiting with Santa	Parlor
10:15 am	Sheri Sutton's Advent Bible Study	Room 310/Zoom
1:00 pm	Stretch Class	Parlor
5:30 pm	Sheri Sutton's Advent Bible Study	Room 310/Zoom
5:30 pm	Brown Bag Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Neighborhood Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	First Kidz (PreK-5th Grade)	Room 402/405
7:00 pm	Youth Activities (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir (Grades 9-Adults)	Stratten Hall
Thursday, December 8		
3:30 pm	CCF Walking to the Fantasy of Lights	MSU
6:30 pm	FCC Staff Christmas Party	
Friday, December 9		
7:00 am	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study	Hwy Café 2808 Jacksboro Hwy
9:00 am	CCF Music	Room 300
6:30 pm	CCF Staff Christmas Party	
7:00 pm	Discovery Class Christmas Party	981 Bowman Rd
Saturday, December 10		
5:00 pm	Decorating for "A Night in Bethlehem"	Fellowship Hall

POINSETTIAS

\$11.00 each

We will be using Poinsettias to decorate for Advent. If you would like to furnish a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the form below and return it with your check to the church office.

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