

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 19, 2010 – 10:30 a.m.

\*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

### PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

Helen C., Marian G., Reba S., Sue C., Flo B., Ethel B., Virginia F., Cathryn R., Arlene M., Goldie K., Jean M., Cassie S., Ruth C., Ray B., Anna Mary Z., Kevin R., Mary Martha G., Avonel and Rick W., Sam Z., Paul W., Bob C., Norman G., JoAnna C., Larry J., Chuck M., Jesse K., Fay M., Dorothy P., and Pastor E.

### PREPARATION

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP

MEDITATION AND PRAYER

PRELUDE

"Lullaby For the Savior"

B. Logan

*[A Time for Meditation and Prayer]*

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

*Today Isaiah prophesies that a young woman will bear a son and name him Emmanuel. The gospel is Matthew's account of the annunciation and birth of the one named Emmanuel, God-with-us. During these final days of Advent we pray, "O come, O come, Emmanuel," a beloved hymn based on ancient prayers appointed for the seven days preceding Christmas. On this final Sunday in Advent we prepare to celebrate the birth of the one born to save us from the power of sin and death.*

### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who does great things in every generation, who lifts up the lowly, who keeps promises forever.*

**C Amen**

*P Let us come to the river of life, confessing our sin.*

*Silence is kept for reflection*

*P Righteous and merciful God,*

**C we confess that we have strayed from your ways and walked our own paths. We fall asleep to the needs around us, yet our anxieties jar us awake. We are bound up in systems of unrighteousness and injustice. Restore your people, O God; renew your creation; and have mercy on us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

*P Listen to what God is saying, speaking peace to those who turn their hearts: The night is far gone, the day is near. All who have a fearful heart, be strong, do not be afraid! God comes in + Jesus Christ and forgives your sin. The Spirit of holiness fill you with wisdom and might, that you may delight in God's ways.*

**C Amen**

## **GATHERING**

\* ENTRANCE HYMN "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

\* GREETING

*P Beloved of God, who are called to be saints: grace and peace be with you all.*

**C And also with you.**

\* KYRIE

*P Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**C Lord, have mercy upon us.**

*P Christ, have mercy upon us.*

**C Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*P Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**C Lord, have mercy upon us.**

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" (vs. 2)

For Christ is born of Mar – y, and, gath – ered all a – bove  
while mor – tals sleep, the an – gels keep their watch of won-d'ring love.  
O morn – ing stars, to – geth – er pro – claim the ho – ly birth,  
and prais – es sing to God the king, and peace to all the earth!

*P Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**C Lord, have mercy upon us.**

*P Christ, have mercy upon us.*

**C Christ, have mercy upon us.**

*P Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**C Lord, have mercy upon us.**

\* SALUTATION AND RESPONSE (**spoken**)

*P The Lord be with you*

**C And also with you.**

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY (**spoken in unison**)

*P Let us pray...*

**C Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

## WORD

*An Israelite and Aramean military coalition presented a serious threat to King Ahaz of Judah. In response, Ahaz decided to secure his throne and kingdom by seeking refuge in Assyrian help. Isaiah reminds Ahaz that human attempts to establish security will fail. The prophet gives the sign of Immanuel that is the only source of true safety: God is with us!*

FIRST READING: Isaiah 7:10-16

The First Lesson is from the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter of Isaiah.

THE LESSON READS:

<sup>10</sup>Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, <sup>11</sup>Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. <sup>12</sup>But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. <sup>13</sup>Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? <sup>14</sup>Therefore the LORD himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. <sup>15</sup>He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. <sup>16</sup>For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

Lector: Here ends the reading.

**Cong: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

*L – Let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved. (Ps. 80:7)*

<sup>1</sup>Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

**<sup>2</sup>In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us.**

<sup>3</sup>Restore us, O God; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

**<sup>4</sup>O LORD God of hosts, how long will your anger fume when your people pray?**

<sup>5</sup>You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

**<sup>6</sup>You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

<sup>7</sup>Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

**<sup>17</sup>Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one you have made so strong for yourself.**

<sup>18</sup>And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your name.

**<sup>19</sup>Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.**

**All – Let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.**

*Most of the Christians in Rome do not know Paul. In this letter's opening he introduces himself as an apostle divinely appointed to spread God's gospel. The gospel's content is the promised coming of Christ, and Paul's mission is to bring about the obedience of faith among all nations, including his Roman audience.*

SECOND READING: Romans 1:1-7

The Second Lesson is from the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter of Romans.

THE LESSON READS:

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, <sup>2</sup>which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, <sup>3</sup>the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh <sup>4</sup>and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, <sup>5</sup>through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, <sup>6</sup>including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

<sup>7</sup>To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Lector: Here ends the reading.

**Cong: Thanks be to God.**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

PLACING THE CRECHE FIGURES

The Kint Family

\* THE VERSE "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 4)

O come, O Branch of Jes – se, free your own from Sa – tan's tyr – an – ny;  
from depths of hell your peo – ple save, and give them vic – t'ry o'er the grave.

Refrain

Re-joice! Re-joice! Em – man – u – el shall come to you, O Is – ra – el.

*Matthew's story of Jesus' birth focuses on the role of Joseph, who adopts the divinely-begotten child into the family of David and obediently gives him the name Jesus, which means "God saves."*

\* GOSPEL: Matthew 1:18-25

*P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.*

**C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)**

THE GOSPEL READS:

<sup>18</sup>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 with child from the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup>Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. <sup>20</sup>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. <sup>21</sup>She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." <sup>22</sup>All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

<sup>23</sup>"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means, "God is with us." <sup>24</sup>When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, <sup>25</sup>but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

*P The Gospel of the Lord.*

**C Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)**

SERMON

Pastor Esborn

\* HYMN OF THE DAY "Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah"

\* APOSTLES' CREED (all)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

\* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*P Waiting for the fulfillment of our hope in Christ's promised coming, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.*

*A brief silence.*

*P Holy God of promise, stir up in your people great anticipation for every good thing you are about to do. Teach us to recognize your Son dwelling among us. Lord, in your mercy,*

**C hear our prayer.**

*P Cause all of creation to shout with joy at the coming of your Chosen One. Let every mountain and stream, all the birds of the air and animals of the land, bear witness to your goodness. Lord, in your mercy,*

**C hear our prayer.**

*P Come swiftly to establish justice throughout the world. Bring joy to the lowly and humility to the proud. Lead all peoples into the unity and peace of your reign. Lord, in your mercy,*

**C hear our prayer.**

*P Shine your face upon all who are troubled, especially those who find no joy in this season. Aid those who are sick and suffering (especially all of our shut-ins [both at home and in nursing homes], Kevin Reynolds, Mary Martha Gilbert, Avonel and Rick Waller, Sam Zeiders, Paul Woltman, Bob Cameron, JoAnna Cameron, Larry Jones, Chuck McNaight, Jesse Kint, Fay McCormick, Dorothy Patterson, Norman Gloss, Jr. and Pastor Esborn). Restore them to wholeness. Lord, in your mercy,*

**C hear our prayer.**

*P Give your boundless hope and joy to expectant parents. Bind young children and new parents in love, and reveal your life-giving promises through the witness of families. Lord, in your mercy,*

**C hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

*P Join our voices to those of all the saints, as we see the promises of salvation unfold in our midst. Increase our faith in your steadfastness, while we await the coming of Emmanuel, God with us. Lord, in your mercy,*

**C hear our prayer.**

*P Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Savior.*

**C Amen**

\* SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

*P The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**C And also with you.**

Congregational sharing: **"Peace be with you."**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"The Shepherd of the Flock"

G. M. Martin

*[Please pass the Friendship Pad down your pew for all to sign and then back to the center aisle so everyone has the opportunity to read the names. We request that our guests also give us their home address. Thank you].*

ANTHEM

\* SUNG OFFERTORY "Let All Together Praise Our God" (revised wording)

**Let all to – geth – er praise our God Be – fore his glo – rious throne;**

**For he will o – pen heav'n a – bove To give us his own Son, To give us his own Son.**

\* OFFERING PRAYER

*P God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.*

**C Amen**

**MEAL**

\* ADVENT DIALOG

*P We have come with great expectation to meet the coming Messiah.*

**C All creation waits with longing for the Son of God.**

*P As John the Baptist cried in the wilderness, "Prepare the way for the Lord."*

**C We prepare a place in our hearts and in the world for his coming.**

*P O come to us, Emmanuel!*

**C God, be with us and save us from our sins.**

\* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*P Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.*

*In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:*

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*P With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.*

**C Come, Lord Jesus.**

*P Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.*

**C Come, Holy Spirit.**

*P All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.*

**C Amen**

\* THE LORD'S PRAYER ['trespasses'] **(all)**

**C 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 the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

\* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*P God fills the hungry with good things. Come with joy to the feast.*

DISTRIBUTION

*["INTINCTION" – dip your wafer in the wine. Come forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. All who wish to stand at the chancel rail after partaking for a time of silent meditation are invited to do so].*

\* COMMUNION BLESSING

*P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.*

**C Amen**

\* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*P In this meal of goodness and mercy, O God, our mouths have been filled with laughter and our tongues with shouts of joy. Now send us to gather the harvest of righteousness, that all those who sow in tears may come again to you in joy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.*

**C Amen**

**SENDING**

\* BLESSING

*P The holy Three, holy One increase your hope, strengthen your faith, deepen your love, and + grant you peace.*

**C A-men, A-men, A-men (sung)**

\* CLOSING HYMN

“Fling Wide the Door”

\* DISMISSAL

*P Go in peace. Remember the poor.*

**C Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

“Adagio”

G. Merkel

NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Andrea Cameron

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Diana Wise

**WELCOME**

IF YOU WISH TO USE OR FOLLOW THE LITURGY MUSIC as we proceed through the service today, please use the blue portfolios placed on top of the sound control system. In addition, headsets are available in the narthex for our sound enhancement system for the hearing impaired.

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship at Messiah. We invite you to register your visit not only in the Friendship Pads, but also in the guest book provided in the narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Thank you for worshipping with us. We invite you to return. Visitors are invited to commune with us if they are baptized and, if with us in our faith, they trust Jesus' promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ.

WE INVITE EVERYONE (members and visitors) worshipping with us today to sign the Friendship Pads during the Organ Offertory. If you are a visitor, please be sure to include your address when signing. Please also place a check mark in the box (beside your name) if you are communing today and have not as yet given us a record of your participation in the sacrament during this quarter. (A new quarter begins in January, April, July, and October). The pads are found on the aisle seat of each pew in the nave, and in each section of the Adult Sunday School Room.

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of Diane Hower by family.



PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the weekly bulletin for one month. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for more than one month, please call the church office.

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON. DIAL-A-PRAYER (436-2100) IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS DAILY!

JUST A THOUGHT – John Winthrop 1588 – 1649, Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony: “I had an unsatiable thirst after the word of God and could not miss a good sermon, though many miles off, especially of such as did search deep into the conscience.”

### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

CAN TREE – Donations of gallon-size canned food is again being collected this year, now through December, for the “can tree” in the Adult Sunday School Room to benefit Bethesda Mission. Everyone is encouraged to donate as many cans as you are able. Cans will be delivered to Bethesda Mission later in December.

CLEANING PERSONNEL CHANGE – At the November 22 meeting of the Property Committee, it was unanimously decided to hire Dave Phelan as a cleaning/maintenance person. PPC then approved this change also. Dave has been working for Perfection Cleaners and is familiar with the cleaning routine. He will have the same cleaning duties as Perfection Cleaners, and will work the same number of hours, however he will be able to come several times a week, every week for a few hours, instead of every other week as per Perfection Cleaners’ schedule. He will begin his duties on January 1, 2011. Please make Dave feel welcome if you meet him somewhere working in the church. Questions, call Ann Beaver at 436-9382 or talk to any Property Committee or PPC member.

FOLDING CHAIRS AVAILABLE – The Property Committee has decided to make available to church members some older folding chairs that are stored downstairs **behind** the Fellowship Hall. There are about 45 green folding chairs and it would be good if members would take them home and make use of them. They have been stored for a long time and have a light dusting of mold, which wipes off easily. This storage is located at the west end of the Fellowship Hall on the left hand side inside the area with the **CHAIRS** sign on the door. Please tell a Property member if you intend to get some of the chairs. Questions, call Ann Beaver at 436-9382 or check with any Property member.

RECEIVED IN STAINED GLASS FUND on Sunday, December 12, 2010: \$339.00. Total received in fund to date: \$52,264.00.

AGAIN THIS YEAR the congregation is collecting a monetary Christmas gift for the pastor. If you wish to contribute, you may do so during Advent or Christmas Eve by putting your gift in the special box in the Adult Sunday School Room, or in the offering plate (designated “Pastor’s Christmas Gift”), or to the church office any weekday. (Please make checks payable to the pastor).

THE 2011 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES will be available in the Adult Sunday School Room for you to pick up later in December. Anyone who would like a statement of their contributions for 2010 for tax purposes may call the church office and your statement will be mailed to you.

THE CHRISTMAS ENVELOPE IN YOUR PACKET, plus the loose plate offering at the Christmas Eve Service goes to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund to help needy people and situations throughout the year. Please be as generous as you can.

THE 2011 FLOWER CHART has been placed in the Adult Sunday School Room. If you wish to place altar flowers in the church on a specific date, please sign-up on the chart. Flower dates are on a first-come-first-served basis.

MESSIAH HERALD – At the October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Worship and Music, it was determined, and backed up by PPC, that, beginning with the January 2011 edition, the Messiah Herald newsletter will continue to be published monthly. However the delivery will be different. Due to declining mailing numbers, we will no longer be eligible for a U.S. Postal Service annual mailing permit for bulk rate. However, on the positive side, this will save us \$185 annually, plus an approximate \$37 charge each month for mailing the newsletter, totaling around \$630 in savings each year. Beginning with January's issue, the Messiah Herald can be either downloaded online at [www.mlcsmiffintown.org](http://www.mlcsmiffintown.org) (click on the "Publications" tab) or by picking up a copy at one of four locations in the church – the church office, narthex, kitchenette, and Fellowship Hall. We will continue to accumulate email addresses and the possibility of emailing the newsletter each month will exist sometime in the spring. As we continue to progress with our technology, we hope and pray that you continue to support, encourage, and utilize the new format by which the newsletter will be received into your homes.

THANK YOU to the children of Messiah and their parents for bringing carol singing and treats to my home—it was delightful to have you. I am grateful to Messiah for prayer offered for Simon Williams. He is 9 months old and had brain surgery in November and is doing well at this time. God's blessings to all.

Jean McNaight

### **WOMEN OF THE ELCA**

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4 oz. to 5 oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Sunday School Room.

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA will meet on Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area.

## **COMMUNITY**

FOOD PANTRY needs for December: All non-perishable foods, first-aid supplies, over the counter pain and cold medicines, bandages, antibiotic ointment, cough drops, Q-Tips, feminine hygiene products.

SEE YOU AT "STUDY HALL" – Are you looking for a quiet place to study, or need help with your homework? Then Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 109 North Third Street, Mifflintown, PA is the place to be every Wednesday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. beginning December 15, 2010. We have lots to offer: experienced tutors and teachers, supervised study areas, room to spread out for large projects, computers available for research, and light snacks provided. OPEN TO STUDENTS OF ALL AGES.

NURSE'S NOTES – Gift ideas for folks in long-term-care:

- Holiday or winter decorations.
- Funny books and cartoons to share a laugh over.
- Games they enjoyed such as cards, checkers, word puzzles.
- Song books or hymnals.
- Note cards or stationery with stamps to help the person write a letter/card.
- For the guys – fishing or hunting videos.
- A Guest Book to leave in his/her room for notes from visitors.
- Regular visits!!!

## **THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH**

- Today:** -Fourth Sunday of Advent.  
-9:15 a.m., Children's Sunday School Christmas Program.  
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.  
-2 p.m., Christmas Cantata at Juniata High School.
- Monday:** -8 p.m., AA meeting.
- Wednesday:** -7 p.m., Choir rehearsal.
- Thursday:** -7 p.m., WELCA Christmas Festival.
- Friday:** -OFFICE CLOSED.  
-7 p.m., Family Christmas Service.  
-9:30 p.m., Prelude Concert with Louis Lynch.  
-10 p.m., Candlelight/Communion Service.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.  
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
- Monday:** -OFFICE CLOSED (leave messages on answering machine).

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE POINSETTIAS to decorate the church in honor of Christ's birth.

NOTE: When taking your Poinsettia(s) home, PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE the black plastic containers in the Poinsettia tree (remove only foil wrapped containers).

TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

In memory of our family members who are celebrating in heaven by Jean and Anne McNaught and Jane Shearer.

In memory of my grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Stuck, by Kenton Stuck.

In memory of my grandfather, Mr. Melvin Bortell, by Kenton Stuck.

In memory of my grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Rodriguez, by Kenton Stuck.

In memory of Gerald and Evelyn Davis and George and Evelyn Shirk by family.

In memory of Clarence and Beulah Leister and 'Hap' Smith by the Leister, Holderman, Kint and Beward families and Dottie Smith.

In memory of Lloyd and Florence Showers by the Leister, Holderman, Kint and Beward families.

In memory of Donald Sr., Peg and Ronald 'Tink' Beward by Nick and Bethanie Beward.

In memory of Richard Stetler, Sr. by wife Sis Stetler and family.

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tyson by daughters and families.

In memory of Joyce and Mickey Yetter by Jim Yetter and family.

In memory of Diane and Denise Hower and George H. Dullea by Herman and Judy Armstrong.

In memory of Floss Smith and Martha Berryman by Judy Armstrong.

In memory of John and Helen Sieber by George and Kay Varner and family.

In memory of my grandparents, Lester and Grace Parsons, by Bob St. Clair.

In memory of my grandparents, John and Hulda St. Clair, by Bob St. Clair.

In honor of my parents, Robert and Jeanette St. Clair, by Bob St. Clair.

In memory of Paul Fleisher by the Paul Fleisher family.

In memory of Melvin and Ellen King by their children and grandchildren.

In memory of loved ones by Sieber and Ona Stoner.

To the Glory of God by Joe and Pat Forney.

In memory of Abraham and Ruth Shoener and Daniel and Thelma Dreibelbis by the Stephen Dreibelbis family.

In memory of Jean, George and Bill Flint by the George Hazard, Jr. family.

In honor of family and friends by George and Marylou Hazard.

In memory of our parents by Dale and Alice Swartz.

In memory of loved ones by Ron and Deanna Cisney.

In memory of loved ones by Mike and Debbie Maugans and Erin Maugans and Matthew Harris.

In memory of loved ones by Cory and Colleen Snook.

In memory of loved ones by Don and Barb Geedey.

In memory of family members by Jane Marhefka.

In memory of Mary Margaret Keresey by Jane Marhefka.

In memory of loved ones by Carol Simonton.

To the Glory of God by Cynthia Smith.

In loving memory of Barry T. Stratford by Betty and family.

In memory of family and friends whom we miss by Paul Goss and family.

In honor of Dorothy Boynton Patterson by Rich, Cindy, Phillip and Susan Van Gavree.

In memory of Paul Patterson and Richard and Daisy Van Gavree by Rich, Cindy, Phillip and Susan Van Gavree and Dorothy Patterson.

In memory of Carmer and Beatrice Boynton and Mollie and Walter Starr by Dorothy Patterson.

In memory of Carl and Evie Duncan and in honor of Ralph and Libby Gaul by Dave and Brenda Duncan.

In honor of Stephanie Duncan, Nathan Clark, Shonna Clark and Zeran Clark by Dave and Brenda Duncan.

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd A. Pines, Sr., Carolyn J. Wieseman and Paul F. Wieseman by the Pines, Stoner and Walton families.

In memory of Blake Walters, Lucinda Varner and Edie Switzer by Tammy and William Walton.

In honor of our wonderful mother, Carole A. Nace and in loving memory of our father, Richard M. Nace by Jim, Jennifer, Bailey and Noah Fulkroad.

The large Poinsettia on the piano in the front of the sanctuary was placed in memory of Joyce Yetter by Vernon Gunnion and family.

The white Poinsettia on top of the Poinsettia tree is in honor of God's people at Messiah by Pastor Esborn.