# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

## **First Sunday of Christmas**

December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

10:00 a.m.

#### WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

PRAISE VIDEO ~ "Noel"

Lauren Daigle

#### CALL TO WORSHIP ~

(based on Psalm 148, Luke 2, and Colossians 3)

- L We gather this morning ready to listen.
- C Open our ears, Lord.
- L We gather this morning ready to learn.
- C Open our minds, Lord.
- L We gather this morning ready to love.
- C Open our hearts, Lord.
- L We gather this morning ready to worship.
- C Open our spirits to receive you, Lord.
- All We gather to praise the Lord Almighty!

#### CONGREGATIONAL PRAISE SONG ~

| "The First Noel" | No. 179 (Vs. 1 only) |
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| SCRIPTURE #1 ~ 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 | Slide |
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| SCRIPTURE #2 ~ Colossians 3:12-17   | Slide |
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#### **MEDITATION ON SCRIPTURE ~**

**COMMUNION HYMN ~** "Redeeming Love" No. 199

#### ELDER'S PRAYER FOR THE BREAD AND CUP ~

**CELEBRATION AT THE TABLE** ~ "Let a person examine themselves and so let them eat of the bread and drink of the cup."

#### \*DOXOLOGY ~

#### SHARING OF PRAISES AND CONCERNS ~ SILENT PRAYER / MEDITATION AND PASTORAL PRAYER ~

# LORD'S PRAYER (using "sins") ~

"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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever." Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC ~

Mark and Julie Allis Accompanied by Janet Frisk

| <b>RESPONSIVE READING ~</b> Luke 2:41-52 |                   |
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|  | NT #1015/LP #1542 |
| CHRISTMAS MUSIC ~                        | Insert/Slides     |
| *SENDING HYMN ~ "Joy to the World!"      | No. 171           |
| *BENEDICTION ~                           |                   |

\*Please stand if able

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thank you to the Mark and Julie Allis and Janet Frisk for the Special Music this morning.
Coins for Cause to benefit Society of St. Andrew.
Items on the table by the front door are the January 2025
Church Candle, the <u>Winter issue</u> of "Our Daily Bread" (December 2024, January and February 2025) and the latest Board Meeting Packet.

**Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup> –** December birthday wishes to: Nancy Edmunds, John Baird, Leslie Shaw, Oliver McKeithan, Kathy Rava, Jim Barber, Hannah Bennett, Bob Felt, David Padilla, Gregg Hayton and Janice Brady. December congratulations to Jerry and Nancy Cain – happy anniversary.

Worship Service at the Athens Healthcare and Rehab Center – 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 31st – New Year's Eve

Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 "New Year's Day"



# **SAYRE CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

(Disciples of Christ)

### Looking Ahead ...

Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> – <u>Food Pantry Sunday</u> Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> – <u>Elders / Deacon's Meeting</u> at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> – <u>NO Bible Study</u> Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> – <u>PA Regional Board</u> in Lamoyne, PA (All Day)

Flowers today, are in memory of Joni Lynn Buchta in honor of her birthday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. Given by Eva Kretsch





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