

# GRACE



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# The Lord's Day Worship

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**NOTE:** All Scripture is taken from the English Standard Version except where stated otherwise.

\* Denotes congregation standing

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD** An integral part of our worship is to bring God a token of our increase. Your tithes and offerings may be placed in the small box at the back of the room. As we will give thanks to God for his gifts *during* the service, we encourage you to make your offering *before* the service.

## Cleansed By God

God's Law-Word for His people: Micah 6:6-8

*Silent Prayer of Confession of Sin*

Assurance of Pardon: Matthew 1:18-25

## Called by God

\* Call to Worship

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

(Matthew 28:19)

**Amen.**

Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. The Lord be with you. (cf. I Timothy 1:2)

**And also with you. Amen.**

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. (Micah 5:2)

**Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has given birth; then the rest of his brothers shall return to the people of Israel.** (Micah 5:3)

And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. (Micah 5:4)

**And he shall be their peace.** (Micah 5:5a)

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord. Amen.**

\* Hymn # 201 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

\* Invocation and Lord's Prayer

\* Hymn # 731 "Doxology"

### **Consecrated by God**

Luke 2:1-7

Hymn # 205 "Away in a Manger"

Luke 2:8-20

Hymn # 211 "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"

Matthew 2:1-12

**NURSERY:** We are delighted to have God's children worship with us. Their cries, coos, and occasional shrieks are reminders to us of God's wonderful blessings. However, if you would like, there is nursery care available for children under 3 from the hymn before the sermon through the remainder of the worship service. The nursery is located behind the bathrooms of this building.

\* Hymn # 206 "Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning"

\* Sermon Text: Luke 2:22-38

Sermon Title: "On the 40<sup>th</sup> Day After Christmas"

Prayer of Application

\* Hymn of Response: # 196 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

### **Communion with God**

Prayers of God's People

\* Confessing Our Faith Together – Nicene Creed

(Found on the page 846 of the Trinity Hymnal)

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

#### **Invitation to the Lord's Supper**

*You are cordially invited to participate in the Lord's Supper if you are a believer in Christ, have been baptized, are a communicant member in a Bible-believing church, and regularly attend church worship. We use wine in our celebration of the Lord's Supper.*

Distribution of Bread: Hymn # 200 "It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

Distribution of the Wine: Hymn #218 "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

## Commissioned by God

\* Closing Hymn # 224 “Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

Benediction



### Happy Birthday

Sofia (Jan. 5)  
Patty (Jan. 20)  
Donna (Jan. 21)  
Kylie (Jan. 24)  
Ruth (Jan. 31)

### Happy Anniversary

Jan & Icela (Jan. 18)



<i>Refreshments &amp; Nursery</i> <i>(If you are unable to fulfill your assignment on your assigned day please call Carrie and she will find a replacement for you)</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Nursery</i>	<i>Refreshments</i>
	Today	Michaela & Emily	Betty
	December 31	Vicki	Patty
	January 7	TBD	TBD
	January 14	TBD	TBD
DATE	<i>Greeter</i>	<i>Lord's Supper</i>	<i>Usher</i>
December	Kenton & Bob	Michaela	Kenton & Bob
January	Kenton	Michaela	Kenton & Michaela

### Today

9:30 am Worship  
11:00 am Fellowship  
11:30 am Sunday School for All Ages

### This Week

Thursday 7:30 pm Prayer Meeting canceled

### Next Sunday (December 31)

9:30 am Worship  
11:30 am Sunday School for All Ages

### Upcoming

January 6 Baby shower for Raquel – Homemade gifts  
January 8 7:00 pm Outreach Committee Meeting at the Szeneris'  
January 9 7:00 pm Session Meeting at the Andruss'  
January 20 1:00 pm Ladies' 1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly Meeting at the Thibaults'  
January 28 1:00 pm Congregational Meeting