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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

December 9, 2018

Liturgist: Ross King

10:00 AM

\*Those who are able, please stand

***In a world where political instability threatens long established order, where crime in our country seems to fill our newspapers, there seems to be plenty to be afraid of. Isaiah reminds us that God's power is beyond anything on this earth that could frighten us. "Be strong" and have hope" this Advent.***

**OUR CHURCH IN WORSHIP**

**Welcome**

**Joys And Concerns / Time of Greeting**

**Prelude**

*Use this time of the prelude to reflect **silently** on the different ways in which the Spirit has moved within your life.*

**WE WELCOME GOD'S SABBATH WITH PRAISE**

**Lighting of the Advent Candle**

Ron & Diana Chastain

Lift up your hearts, people of God, for the Lord has looked favorably upon us and is sending us his beloved son.

**God has chosen the lonely and the outcast, the forgotten without status to bring us a mighty savior.**

(The first candle is lit.)

God is showing the mercy promised to our ancestors, oath sworn to those before us that we might live without fear.

**God has chosen to walk with us in human form.**

So we now light the candle of hope, that we would look to the Christ-child as the given of eternal hope.

(The second candle is lit.)

**\*Hymn of Praise #106**

**"Prepare the Way O Zion"**

**\*Prayer of Praise**

You who are a refining fire and a purifying agent, we praise you that in Christ you make us whole again. We gather to hear Christ's coming announced, and anxiously wait upon the dawn of your grace. Fill our hearts with amazement at the prospect of our salvation. Fill our voices the proclamation of hope at the news of your love, for you continue to do great things.

**\*Response #113**

"Angels We Have Heard on High Chorus"

**Gloria, in excelsis Deo!**

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**Prayer of Illumination**

**First Scripture Reading**

1 Samuel 2:1-10

This is the Word of God for the People of God

***Thanks be to God***

**Anthem**

"Waiting for the Holy One"

Leech / Harlan

**WE WELCOME GOD'S CHILDREN WITH JOY**

**Time With Young Christians**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**WE WELCOME GOD'S WORD WITH HOPE**

**Second Scripture Reading**

Luke 1:39-55

This is the Word of God for the People of God

***Thanks be to God***

**Sermon**

"Why did Mary Sing?"

Galen Schwarz

**\*Hymn of Reflection #93**

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

**WELCOME GOD'S SPIRIT WITH FAITH**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Offering**

**Offertory**

**\*Response Of Thanksgiving**

**\*Prayer Of Dedication**

**\*Sending Hymn #82**

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

**WE ENGAGE WITH GOD'S WORLD WITH LOVE**

**\*Blessing**

Be people of hope. Let hope live in your heart and share the hope of Christ with all you meet. Share hope by noticing someone else's humanity. Share hope by listening to someone's story. Share hope by praying for our world. In this Advent season, we need to see, feel, and share hope. As you go out into the wonder of God's creations, share hope with those you meet. Amen.

**\*Benediction**

May God's gift of hope renew in us the spirit of peace that brings healing and life to our world! May the child Mary brings uphold us in grace and love to be bearers of God's song of hope in the world.

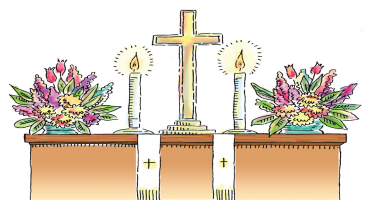
**AMEN**

**\*Benediction Response #129**

"Lo, How and Rose E'er Blooming"  
verse 2

**Isaiah 'twas foretold it the Rose I have in mind  
With Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind  
To Show God's love aright, she born to us a Savior  
When half spent was the night**

**\*Postlude**



Worship Schedule

**Sunday December 16**

**Liturgist:** Sheila Moss

**Ushers:** Ellen Gill, Bob Blackburn, Karyl Sprague

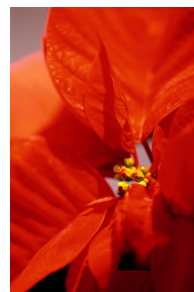
**Soundboard/Video:** Joe Abramo / Ron Fleshood

**Fellowship:** Christian Education

**Flowers:** Barbara Brightwell

**Preaching:** Galen Schwarz

**Advent Wreath Lighting:** DeSimones



*The flowers  
today are  
provided by  
**Becky Floetker**  
In celebration of her  
mother's **80<sup>th</sup>** Birthday!*

**If Pastoral Care is needed,  
please contact: Clerk of Council  
**Bill Wheeler**  
**(317) 823-8174**  
**isotopicsolutions@comcast.net****



## Christmas Concert TONIGHT

The Outreach Commission is hosting a community Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM** in the sanctuary.

The **Mount Vernon High School Choir** will be performing this year. Mark your calendar and tell your neighbors and friends to join us on the 9<sup>th</sup>!

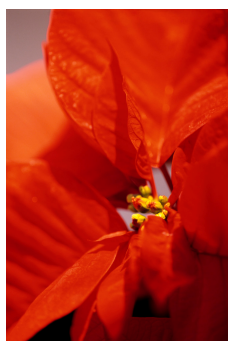


## Men of Christ Angel Tree

Help the Men of Christ make Christmas happy for four local area families. After next week, here's the five easy steps:

- 1) Pick a gift tag from the tree in the Narthex
- 2) Buy and wrap the gift
- 3) Add your personal gift tag
- 4) Add the **original** gift tag
- 5) Bring to church by **December 16**

If you would prefer to make a cash donation, place it in an envelope and identify it for the Angel Tree.



**Poinsettia Order Form is enclosed in the bulletin. Order deadline is next Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Price per plant is \$9.50**

## Angel Connection Needs These Items

Angel Connection would like CPC to focus on these items —

- tuna
- chicken
- spam
- Vienna sausage
- beef stew

Food Drive



We are **THE ONLY** church in the immediate area donating items to ensure Angel Connection has adequate supplies to meet the demand.

*Prime Timers*

**Tuesday  
December 18  
11:30 AM**

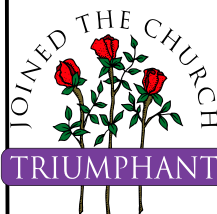
**in the Multi Purpose Room.** Come for **lunch**. After lunch, it is our pleasure to host Mr. David Heighway, historian at Noblesville's Hamilton East Public Library. David's program will introduce us to some interesting folks who hailed from our locale, and perhaps feature some historical reminiscences from Christmases of Old.

Invite a guest, or two, or three....for this fun time!



**Lavonne "Vonnie" Spears  
(Mistie Timmons mother)**

**4/1/1947 — 11/30/2018**



**Joy Knowles**

**3/11/1926 — 12/1/2018**

## Calendar for Week of December 9, 2018

Sunday 12/9 **Galen Schwarz,**  
**Preaching**  
**6 PM Community**  
**Concert by Mt. Vernon**  
**Choir — Sanctuary**

Monday 12/10 **7 PM** Troop 88 — MP &  
Education Rooms

Tuesday 12/11 **10 AM** Hope Circle —  
Education Room  
**12 PM** Stewardship —  
The Grill

Sunday 12/16 **Galen Schwarz,**  
**Preaching**



### December

Tony DeSimone 12/15  
Andrea Baker 12/16  
Contessa Bilyou 12/18  
Michael Gill 12/23  
JoEllen King 12/23  
Diana Chastain 12/25



## REMEMBER IN PRAYERS

### At Home:

Jim Coyle  
Shirley Sheeks  
Christie Waggoner  
Miki Bean



### In Hospital, Nursing Home & Assisted Living Centers:

**Ann McFate** @ Brookdale of Castleton,  
Indpls., IN  
**Mary Alice Beaumont** @ American  
Village



## ATTENDANCE

**December 2**

**46**



**December 2**

**\$1,783**

**Year to Date**

**\$138,481**



## Fellowship

A Commission or group will be  
assigned the responsibility to  
provide fellowship. Here are

the groups for the next few weeks:

**December 16** — Christian Education

**December 23** — Church & Community

**December 30** — Stewardship

**January 6, 2019** — Back Row Gang

# December 2018

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January 2019

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov 25	26	27	28	29	30	Dec 1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Galen Schwarz, Preaching	7:00pm Troop 88 (Education and MP Room)	1:00pm Needlecrafters (MP Room)		1:00pm PW Coordinating Team (Education Room)	6:00pm Cub Pack 88 Regatta Set Up (MP Room)	7:00am Pack 88 Rain Gutter Regatta (MP Room)
5:00pm Sarah Circle Christmas Party (MP)				7:15pm Council Meeting		9:00am Men of Christ (Lincoln Square)
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Galen Schwarz, Preaching	7:00pm Troop 88 (Education and MP Room)	10:15am Hope Circle (Education Room)				
6:00pm Community Concert (Sanctuary)		12:00pm Stewardship Commission (The Commission)				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Galen Schwarz Preaching	7:00pm Troop 88 Court of Honor (MP Room)	11:30am Prime Timers (MP Room)				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Galen Schwarz, Preaching	Christmas Eve (United States)	Christmas Day (United States)				
	10:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service					
30	31	Jan 1, 19	2	3	4	5
Guest Minister	New Year's Eve (United States)					

## Welcome to CPC CONNECT WITH US

Please let us know who you are and how we can help you. Please tear off this sheet, fill it in and place in the offering basket.

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us: \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] First Visit [ ] Address change [ ] Connect Me:

Please check all that apply:

- ☐ I'd like to speak to the pastor
- ☐ I'd like more information about programs for children & youth
- ☐ I'm interested in joining a small group
- ☐ I'd like to receive the newsletter
- ☐ I'd like to be on the church's mailing list
- ☐ I'd like to help; please have someone contact me to learn about my passions and skills
- ☐ I'd like to attend the next membership class
- ☐ Other (please tell us): \_\_\_\_\_

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We will keep this information in confidence.