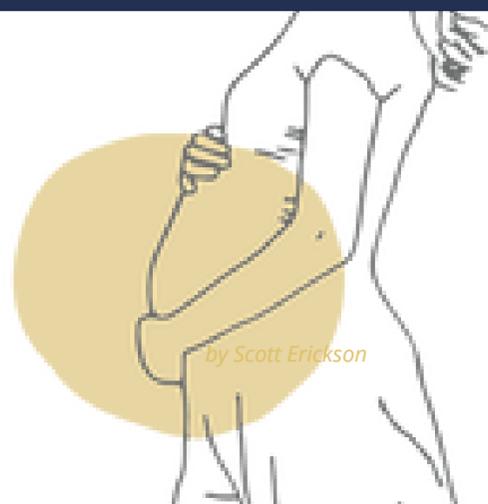


CHRISTMAS EVE AT NEWBURGUMC



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CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
DECEMBER 24, 2021 | 11PM
Memorial Garden

WELCOME & INVOCATION

Rev. Rodney Gasaway

READING 1

Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7

Laurel Gulyas

READING 2

Isaiah 11:1-9

Max Gulyas

SONG

"O, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

1. Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
From tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming,
As men of old have sung.
It came, a flow'ret bright,
Amid the cold of winter,
When half spent was the night.
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 bore to men a Savior,
When half spent was the night.

Reading 3

Luke 1:26-38

Kristen Gulyas

SONG

"What Child Is This?"

1. What Child is this who, laid to rest
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom Angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and Angels sing;
Haste, haste, to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.
2. So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh,
Come peasant, king to own Him;
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise a song on high,
The Virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy for Christ is born,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

READING 4

Luke 2:1-7

Rev. Steve McCoy

READING 5

Luke 2:8-20

Steve Gulyas

SONG

"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"

1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around.
And glory shone around.

2. All glory be to God on high,
And to the Earth be peace;
Good will henceforth from heav'n to men
Begin and never cease!
Begin and never cease!

READING 6

Matthew 2:1-12

Rev. Rodney Gasaway

SONG

"We Three Kings"

1. We three kings of Orient are;
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.

Refrain:

O star of wonder, star of light,
star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light.

2. Glorious now behold him arise;
King and God and sacrifice:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
sounds through the earth and skies.

[Refrain]

HOMILY

Rev. Steve McCoy

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING FOR CHRISTMAS EVE 2021

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us make our confession before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Lord, when the shadows of sin and sorrow surround us, shine on us with the light of your comfort and grace. When despair of the world overwhelms us, lift us with your promise of hope.

When we forget the good news of great joy, cry out with your message of love, that we might hear and remember anew. Christ is born. Christ is with us. We are not alone. In your beloved name we pray. Amen.

Let us all pray in silence.

We are not alone. We who are walking in darkness have seen a great light. Light has dawned, and grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to us, salvation to all. Thanks be to God.

THE PEACE

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets. In the fullness of time you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior, and at his birth the angels sang glory to you in the highest and peace to your people on earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and of might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord our God. Christ is born today. Christ is born today.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. As Mary and Joseph went from Galilee to Bethlehem and there found no room, so Jesus went from Galilee to Jerusalem and was despised and rejected.

As in the poverty of a stable Jesus was born, so by the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

As your Word became flesh, born of woman, on that night long ago, so, on the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen;
Christ will come again for us.
Christ is born today. Christ is born today.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeeming the world through his Incarnation.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

**Amen. Amen. A-men. Christ is Born today.
Christ is born today.**

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

The bread of life, born that we may have life, and given for you. Take and Eat. Amen.

The cup of the new covenant, poured out for you on this Holy Night for the redemption of the world.

SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

"Silent Night"

1. Silent night, holy night!

All is calm, all is bright.

Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child.

Holy infant so tender and mild,

Sleep in heavenly peace,

Sleep in heavenly peace.

"Silent Night" (cont.)

2. Silent night, holy night!

Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia,
Christ the Saviour is born!
Christ the Saviour is born!

3. Silent night, holy night!

Son of God love's pure light.
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth

"Joy to the World"

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come;

Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

2. Joy to the world! the Saviour reigns;

Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

BENEDICTION FROM JOHN 1

2021 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Your gifts toward poinsettias not only grace our sanctuary for Christmas and lift up those being named inside these walls, they also provide additional support for mission projects outside these walls, lifting up people who are in need in our own community. Thank you, for your generosity!

In Loving Memory Of / By:

Joan Foor

Adams Family

Martha Adams

Adams Family

Husband William & Son Bill

Betty Boyd

Those I love who have passed this year

Nancy Boyd

Clifton & Artus Barrows

Gary & Mickey Crisp

Betty Scofield

Gary & Mickey Crisp

Jeffrey Dean

Jeff , Tami & Marlene Dean

2021 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS (Cont)

In Loving Memory Of / By:

Warren & Valerie Dunbar

Frank, Tracy & Jasen Dunbar

Bob & Jane Burns, Cindy's Parents

Don & Cindy Dumouchelle

Al & Audrey Dumouchelle

Don & Cindy Dumouchelle

Charles & Valera Eland, Tom's parents

Tom & Pat Eland

Kearney & Esther Kirkby, Pat's parents

Tom & Pat Eland

Our son, Roy Frank

Kara & Doug Frank

Our Parents

Gary & Mary Beth Fry

Wayne & Nancy Jones

Linnea Garvey

Jaime Gasaway

Janice & Rodney Gasaway

Cathy Gorzen, Mike's mother

The Gorzen Family

2021 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS (Cont)
In Loving Memory Of / By:

William Hartley & Shirley Michaels
Peggy Hartley

Our Parents
Dave & Donna Jensen

Louis Kovach
Dona Kovach

Our Loved Ones
Richard & Donna McKinney

My wife Wanda, My daughter Lori Green
Jerry Noel

My sons, Danny, Randy & Jeff Noel
Jerry Noel

Our Grandparents, Dale & Mary Foreman
The Tubbs & Eccles families

Mother & Grandmother, Lynn Tubbs
The Tubbs family

Patricia Olson & Peter Visotsky
The Visotsky Family

Betty White, Merrill's mother
Alex & Merrill Wassell

2021 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS (Cont)

In Loving Memory Of / By:

Kay Podger, Alex's mother

Alex & Merrill Wassell

Our Parents & Loved Ones

John & Kay Williams

Marie Dobson

Betty Wilson

In Honor Of / By:

Janice Gasaway for all that you do!

Adams Family

Betty Boyd

Gary & Mickey Crisp

Newburg Choir

Nancy Boyd

Our Grandkids, Rory, Cohen, Quincy & Opal

Doug & Kara Frank

Our Children & Grandchildren

Gary & Mary Beth Fry

Jim & Juliann Bademian

Janice & Rodney Gasaway

Robert & Karen Gasaway

Janice & Rodney Gasaway