

Advent 5
Freedom Bound: The Path of Service

No Sunday School

10:00 Morning Worship

Prelude

Carla Brown

Welcome/Call to Worship

Roveen Yoder

Worship in Song

Denny Brown

"Joy to the World" HWB #318 v. 1, 2

"Angels we have heard on high" HWB #197 v. 3, 4

"It came upon a midnight clear" HWB #195 v. 1, 3

"Hark! The herald angels sing" HWB #201 v. 1, 3

Advent Candle Lighting

"There is more Love"

Announcements, Sharing Joys and Concerns

Offering/Offertory

Carla Brown

Worship in Song

"Lord, speak to me" HWB #499 v. 1, 2, 5, 6

"Teach me Thy truth" HWB #548

Scripture Luke 2:41-52

Message *"About My Father's Business"*

Pastor Merle

Response

Blessing

Song of Sending *"I will serve Thee"*

No Evening Service

Nursery today: Caitlin Flowers

Last Sunday Attendance: Sunday School: 57
Morning Worship: 69

Announcements

Your tithes and offerings would be greatly appreciated. We are currently behind budgeted giving by a significant amount. To receive tax benefits and be included in this year's budget, please have your offerings in today, if possible.

Thank you, Jeff Morgan, Council Chair

The Church Council has decided to once again have the One Christmas Card Project. The Council encourages everyone to just send or bring one card to the church for everyone and contribute the savings of postage and cards into the Christmas Card Fund. This Fund will then be given to a Christmas Project. Suggestions for the use of these funds can be given to any Council member.

During January, we will be collecting your food gifts for the Super Soup-er Bowl drive for Union Rescue Mission. Check the poster by the office for details.

Upcoming Fellowship Meals

January 10: For World Fellowship Sunday we are having a Fellowship Meal with an International flavor. More details to follow.
February 7: Souper Bowl Fellowship Fundraiser Meal to support our youth

For Your Prayer Time

Pray that during this season, we will be instruments of love and peace.

Remember those whose Christmas season this year may include pain and loss including:

- Those who are ill and have not been able to join us in worship.
- Those who have recently experienced loss of loved ones.
- Those who experience dysfunctional family situations and despondence. .

Give thanks with others who have received healing and hope for the future including those recovering from surgery and those in prison who have opened themselves to a relationship with Jesus.

Give thanks for the birth of Jesus, the one who gives abundant life.