



BETHANY UNITED METHODIST

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10:00 AM WORSHIP December 24, 2017

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Greetings, Favored Ones!
Do not be afraid.
The Lord is with you.

**People: Holy Spirit, come upon us.
Power of the Most High,
Overshadow us.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" #537

***INVOCATION**

Lighting the Advent Candle

HYMN "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" Insert

MORNING PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Stoltzfus
The Lord's Prayer Congregation

THE OFFERTORY

Presentation of God's Tithe Audrey Scipioni
*The Doxology
*Prayer of Dedication

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "What Child is This?" #540

SCRIPTURE Luke 1: 46-55 Paul Leicht

SERMON "God Makes This World Home" Pastor Stoltzfus

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" #186

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Stoltzfus

***POSTLUDE** Audrey Scipioni

**We stand to honor Jesus Christ.*

Good morning and welcome to Bethany where God's word is honored, taught and proclaimed. Our mission is to glorify God by making-maturing-mobilizing enthusiastic disciples for Jesus Christ. Please sign the blue attendance pad and pass it along.

Serving today: **Sound System:** Dick Lasher

Acolyte: Michelle Patrick

Greeters/Ushers: Richard and Sue Lasher

Organist: Audrey Scipioni

Units for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher for assistance.



Infant care and a toddler class are held downstairs during Worship and Sunday School. Those up to sixth grade are welcome to go downstairs to Kid Zone or remain in the Sanctuary for worship.

Home bound person of the week is Dale Patrick. Please remember him in your prayers this week and sign the card in the back.

Prayer joys/concerns: 1) Dale Patrick 2) Our servicemen and their families. 3) The Palmyra area 4) Our nation and leaders. 5) For time with family, the joy and the sorrow that can bring.

CD's of today's service are available for \$2.00. Please contact Pastor Jared if you are interested. You can also listen to the service through the church's website, bethanyumcpalmyra.org.

**Birthday Blessings this week to: December 29 – Nathan Berkheiser
29 – Vicki Wright**

This week at Bethany...

Sunday @ 5pm– Addictions Support Group (Social Hall)
Wednesday 4:30-5– Sunbeam Choir

Announcements...

Pastor Jared and Liz will be out of town Dec. 29-31, directing a retreat at Pocono Plateau for Jr/Sr. High Youth. Rev. Sam Fry will be bringing the message during worship next Sunday. Pastor Jared can still be reached via phone in case of emergency.

Remember our Christmas Eve service tonight at 7 PM.

Pastor Jared Stoltzfus: pastorjstoltzfus@gmail.com 484-798-5054

SERVING CHRIST AND OUR CONGREGATION

ORGANIST: *Audrey Scipioni*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: *Vicki Smith*

TRUSTEES: *Don Brubaker*

TREASURER: *Diane Miller*

LAY LEADER: *Ed Kaylor*

MISSIONARY: *Rachel Nicholson, Germany*

SUNBEAM CHOIR: *Samantha Patrick*

ADMIN. COUNCIL: *Cindy Anspach*

CHURCH SECRETARY: *Linda Dumbauld*

CUSTODIAN: *Beverly Bell*

STAFF PARISH: *Paul Leicht*

PASTOR: *Jared Stoltzfus*