### We Welcome You To

## SPICELAND FRIENDS CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 22, 2024

Dear Jesus, Holy Word of God, your grace and truth illumine any gloom we experience and deepen our joy. Speak your love into each heart this holy day. Amen.

PRELUDE Connie Brown, Pianist

ADVENT CANDLE (Peace) Betty Moffitt, Miles Griggs

ADVENT CAROL Tasha Crandall, Song Leader

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" - #245 (v. 4)

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Bob Rust

\*OPENING HYMN #290

"As with Gladness, Men of Old"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Bob Rust

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CHILDREN'S STORY Diana Bowman

All children will be worshipping with us until after the Children's Story. Children (preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) may go downstairs for Jr. Church. The nursery is available for parents with babies or toddlers.

CHILDREN'S SONG

HYMN OF CELEBRATION #249 (all verses)

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

SHARING OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER Eric Bowman

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

"Sing We Now of Christmas" #275 (all verses)
"It Came upon the Midnight Clear" #251 (all verses)

SCRIPTURE Debra Weber

Luke 1:26-38

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP #250

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"
"Ring the Bells" – insert

DEVOTIONAL David Brock

\*CLOSING HYMN #259 (vv. 1, 2, 5)

"Angels from the Realms of Glory"

\* BENEDICTION David Brock

\* POSTLUDE #243

"Emmanuel"

\* All who are able may stand

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### THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

TODAY – CHOIR PRACTICE – 5:00 p.m. This is last practice before the Christmas Eve Service.

MONDAY – WALKING GROUP – 10:00 a.m. in the Family Center.

TUESDAY – CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE – 9:00 p.m.

The choir will sing arrangements of some new songs mixed with a few favorites. There will be devotionals and Scripture along with a message by **Eric Bowman**.

WEDNESDAY – CHRISTMAS DAY – A blessed Christmas morning to all! Jesus has come to live among us; from him we have received "grace upon grace" (John 1:16).

NEXT SUNDAY – **Nancy Wadman** will be bringing a message entitled "Reflections and Remarkable Things."

The church office will be closed December 23-27 for the Christmas holiday.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

If you have a **Prayer Concern or Celebration** that you would like to share, please fill out, sign, and date a green card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You may pick up a sheet listing Prayer Concerns in the Welcome Center or at the west door.

The January/February *Upper Room* devotional is available in both regular and large print in the Welcome Center.

**Titan Children's Food Donations** – During this Christmas season, be extra mindful of those who need assistance. Continue to bring non-perishable food items which will be given to needy students at Tri Elementary School. A collection box is in the Welcome Center.



**2025 Church Directory** – Please turn in any changes or additions to Carol as soon as possible for the 2025 church directory so that it will be accurate and up to date.

**Life Lifter to Share:** And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me – holy is his name." *Luke 1:46-49* 

Happy Birthday to: Kevin Weber, Dec. 25; Shirley Bowman, Dec. 28.

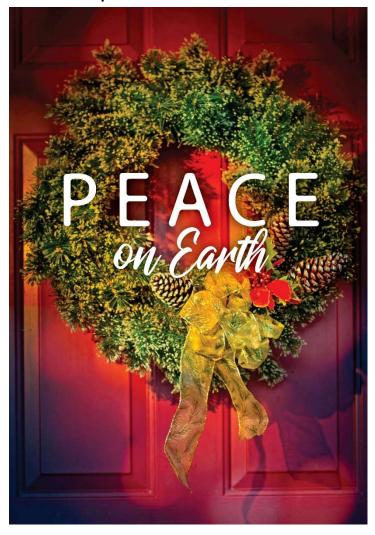
Happy Anniversary to: Dylan & Monica Altman, Dec. 27.

**Greeters:** David & Rita Reeves

Ministry Coordinator: Nancy Wadman Communications Coordinator: Lisa Knotts



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