

CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

December 17, 2017 10:40 a.m.

Welcome to Worship

The Community Gathers to Worship God

Bell Toll Audio

Prelude JS Bach
"Awake, Awake for Night Is Flying!"

Welcome to First Christian Church Pastor Jerry

*Pass the Peace of Christ

*Song of Gathering 119 (v.1)
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

*Call to Worship Brenda Blevins

Leader: Come away from haste and frantic busyness.
This is the season for quiet waiting.

People: It is hard to still our souls when we are so busy. It is hard to be patient with ourselves or others.

Leader: Receive God's mercy and strengthen your hearts. A Savior is coming; God's love is near.

People: We want to hear and believe God's promises. We want to become patient, loving seekers.

Leader: God presents us with a high and holy way.
Come before God now with praise and singing.

People: We sense the joy God offers to us.

All: Our spirits rejoice in god our Savior.
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* Hymn of Worship 150
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

*Invocation Brenda Blevins

*Gloria Patri 35

The Community Proclaims the Word of God

Children's Program Our Children

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Laws and Haller Families

Bell Anthem arr. Ingram
"Prince of Peace"
(excerpts from Handel's Messiah and
O Come all Ye Faithful)

Luke 1:47-55 Brenda Blevins

Sermon Scripture I Thessalonians 5:16-24

Sermon Pastor Jerry
"Rejoice Always"

The Community Responds to the Word of God

Call to Discipleship
(We invite you to come forward during the hymn of discipleship to make your confession of faith, transfer your membership, or rededicate your life.)

*Hymn of Discipleship 148
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

(Elders and Deacons may move to the rear of the sanctuary during the hymn.)

The Community Shares in Christ's Life

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings
Invitation to Offering Phil Shumard
Offertory Lowry & Greene
"Mary, Did You Know?"

Doxology 46

*Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Holy Communion
Invitation to Holy Communion Pastor Jerry

Hymn of Communion 125
"Come, O Long-expected Jesus"

Prayers for the Elements Phil Shumard
Jackie Shumard

Partaking of the Bread and Cup
(All are invited to partake of the bread and the cup as the trays are passed. Signal a deacon if you would like gluten free crackers.)

The Community Departs for Ministry

Prayers for the Church Family Pastor Jerry
The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

Prayer Response

*Benediction Pastor Jerry

*Congregational Response 134
"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

*Postlude arr. Bober
"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

***All who are able, please stand.**



Sunday, December 17

8:00 a.m.-Coffee House
8:30 a.m.-Praise Service
9:30 a.m.-Sunday School for all ages
10:40 a.m.-Worship Service
Coffee Fellowship
2:00 p.m.-All Youth Visit Care Centers

Monday, December 18

9:00 a.m.-Bell Practice
10:40 a.m.-Meal Delivery-Office Closed until noon.
1:00 p.m.-Bridge Class in lobby
6:00 p.m.-Bridge Club in lobby
6:00 p.m.-Boy Scouts in basement

Tuesday, December 19

10:40 a.m.-Meal Delivery-Office Closed until noon.
1:00 p.m.-Home School Choir/Band and Drama in CLC

Wednesday, December 20

10:40 a.m.-Meal Delivery-Office Closed until noon.
5:00 p.m.-DOC

Thursday, December 21

10:00 a.m.-Visitation for Earl Uhler in Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.-Funeral for Earl Uhler in Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.-Uhler Family Meal in CLC
1:00 p.m.-Office Closed

Friday, December 22

Office Closed for Christmas

Saturday, December 23

N/A

Sunday, December 24

8:00 a.m.-Coffee House
8:30 a.m.-Praise Service
9:30 a.m.-Sunday School
10:40 a.m.-Worship Service
Coffee Fellowship
NO YOUTH MEETINGS
6:00 p.m.-Christmas Eve Service

Gluten-free crackers are available for communion.



SERVING TODAY –December 17

Presiding Elder: Phil Shumard

Elders: Phil Shumard, Jackie Shumard

Liturgist: Brenda Blevins

Deacons: Harland Osborne, Lee Younce, Phil Shumard,
Jackie Shumard, Bill Goodwin, Vicki Goodwin,
Chris Simon, Melvin Simon, Carrie Laws

Assistant Deacons: Molly Shumard, Jacelynn Laws

Children’s Sermon: N/A Children’s Program

Deaconess: Anita Grigsby

Coffee Fellowship: Donna Elliott

Audio: Mark Goodwin and Kathy Ramser

Video: Mark Goodwin and Kathy Ramser

Advent Readers: Laws and Haller Families

Staff

Pastor:

Jerry Basye

Youth Leader:

Nancy Huff

Organist:

Anita Grigsby

Director of Choirs:

Gary Grigsby

Office Manager:

Cindy Howard

Custodian:

George Long

Nursery Care:

Gillian Godfrey

Dylan Godfrey

Hanna Stillwell



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Our Mission

We are an open and welcoming community that God calls and the Holy Spirit empowers to:

- *share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all ages*
- *explore and express a growing faith*
- *equip believers for ministries which expand the kingdom of God*

Announcements

In Our Prayers!

Throughout this week, we invite you to pray for these and others announced in worship:

- Charlene Droege
- Family of Earl Uhler
- Celeste Long's Mother
- Our Children
- Our Law Enforcement
- Our Military
- Those with continuing health concerns

Angels of Care Donations Deadline

Please turn in your forms **today** if you wish to be part of the listing in **next week's bulletin**.

Congregational Meeting

Today after Both Services

YOUTH TO VISIT CARE CENTERS

Youth Group will leave the church at 2:00 p.m. today to visit our members in the care centers. We will eat supper together following the visits. We will not meet on December 24 or December 31, and we will resume our on meetings on January 7.

Holiday Schedule

- December 21-Office Closed at 1:00 p.m.
- December 22-Office Closed
- December 24-6:00 p.m.-Christmas Eve Service
- December 25-Office Closed. Merry Christmas!
- January 1-Office Closed. Happy New Year!

January Board Meeting

Date Change-to January 10 at 7:30 p.m.



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Sermon Title: Rejoice Always