Minister: Rev. William Brown E-mail: fccbedfordwill@gmail.com Choir Director: Lillie Judge E-Mail: ljudgefcc@gmail.com **Organist:** Mary Ruth Yates A/V Technician: Duncan Kane Church Office Hours: Monday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9:00 am- 12:00 pm Administrative Assistants: Mitzi Flynn: Monday, Dawn Manke: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday Bookkeeper: Linda Smith E-mail: shawswick63@gmail.com Custodian's Hours: Monday-Wednesday: 8:00 am - 11:00 am, Sunday: 1 hour Custodian: Steve Harrell Camp Manager: Chuck Bair E-Mail: manager@campbedford.com Web Page: firstccbedford.org Camp Bedford Web Page: campbedford.com





Outreach Committee Ministry

We are collecting SOUP, CHILI FIXINGS, CRACKERS during the month of **JANUARY** for L.I.F.E. Pantry. Please place all packages in the baskets located in the foyer. Any food or items you wish to donate are welcome any month.

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Reaching Outward to Connect People with God's Abundance



January 7, 2024

January 7, 2024 SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Please complete the cream-colored card located in the back of each pew and place it in the offering plate. Help us by filling out the card as completely as you can. You may also use the card to inform the office of any prayer requests, joys, concerns, upcoming events, changes, etc.

Turn off cell phones as they may interfere with the live stream. Thank you. *Please Stand (as you are able)

Prelude The Old Year Now Hath Passed Away - Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. William Brown

Worship Leader

***Opening Hymn** We Three Kings #172 (vs 1, chorus, 2, 3, 4, 5, chorus)

*Call to Worship

Leader: God of creation, give the King your justice, and your righteousness to his son.

All: May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice

Leader: Bring Prosperity for your people from the mountains, and holiness from the hills.

All: May he defend the cause of those in need today.

Leader: May he bring life as long as the sun endures, and as long as the moon.

All: Throughout all generations, praise the King of Kings!

Lord's Prayer		All
Scripture	Matthew 2: 1-12 (NRSV)	Worship Leader
Special Music	Three Men on Camelback by Ann Ker	Chancel Choir
Message	Three Wise Guys and a Dream Ro	ev. William Brown

*Hymn of Discipleship	Infant Holy, Infant Lowly	#163			
*Invitation to Giving		Rev. William Brown			
*Doxology		All			
*Prayer of Dedication		Elder			
Communion Hymn	There's a Song in the Air!	#159			
Invitation to Christ's Table		Rev. William Brown			
Prayer for the Bread and Cu	ıp	Elder			
Communion Music	Two Carols for Violin - trad.	Ginny Jones			
Words of Institution		Rev. William Brown			
Taking of the Bread and Cup Together					
*Closing Hymn	As with Gladness	#173			
*Blessings and Benediction					
*Postlude	We Three Kings - Cassler				

Upcoming Events:

Sunday:	1/7	09:30 am 10:30 am Following Worship 1:30 pm	Coffee Hour Sunday Morning Worship Elders Meeting Stonebridge Worship Service
Tuesday:	1/9	6:00 pm	Sacred Places Meeting - Library
Sunday:	1/14	09:30 am 10:30 am	Coffee Hour Sunday Morning Worship



The Church Office Hours have changed to:

Monday: 9 am - 2 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 am - 12 pm Friday: Closed

Thank you for being patient as we adapt to these changes

SERVING SCHEDULE: JANUARY

Elder:

Greeters 15th St **Ron Bell** K St **Ginny Jones** Canopy **Treva Hooten**

SERVING SCHEDULE: FEBRUARY

Elder:

Greeters 15th St Cathy Allman K St Lincoln Merchant Canopy Treva Hooten Prayer List: Paula Beaton Levi Chisholm Janet Cooper Leo Coulter Tina Corum Pat East Chantell Emberton Olive Embree and the Ryan Embree Family Aaron Evans' Family Dave Facion's Family Finney Family Jerry Francis Ariene Gilbert James Hackney Karen Hackney Liam Harting Gloria Hilkey Ethan Holsapple Ainsley Jefferies Beth Joyner Judy Juranek Van Kavanaugh Defne Leonard Danny Lyons Wanda McPike William Metz Cannon Mills Sheila Miskuf Patricia Morris Shelly Perrson Emily Roberts Rita Roberts Betty Robbins Sydney Sowders Shirley Stroud Candy Sykes Tim Tincher Greg VanCleave Mark Wingo Nathan Witt Ridge Wolka Fred Wolka Sr. Roger Wykoff

Those away from home serving the church, in military, civil service, education and work.

Those unable to be with us in Worship:

Homebound - Karen Anderson, Vivian Fishel, Leona Russell

Autumn Trace – Laverne Speer (109), Betty Wagoner (110)

Majestic Care - (Garden Villa) – Jacob Householder (611)

Stonebridge - Carol Mifflin (502), Paul Miller (516), Carolyn Tumey (109), Jimmy Waggoner (208)

Bell Trace (Bloomington) – Shirley McMunn (1118B)

Please advise Elder Susan Maxwell-Lewis or the church office of any prayer concerns or updates. You may also fill out a pew card & drop it in the offering plate.

Nursing Home Ministry

Stonebridge Health Campus The first Sunday of each month at 1:30 pm

Johnson Christian Village 7102 IN-158, Bedford The fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00 pm



The following folks are listed on our Homebound Communion List. They are visited by Pastor Will and at least once a month by the Elders and Deacons, who serve them communion. There have been a few that have requested visits more often. If anyone has a few minutes to visit these folks and make their day brighter, please do. A nursing home can be a lonely place and by taking a few minutes out of your day, for a short visit, will bring a smile to these folks and their families. They want to know they have not been forgotten. If you would like to call the nursing home before you visit, the phone numbers are listed below:

Autumn Trace 2910 Evergreen Dr, 812-329-6225

LaVerne Speer Room 109 Betty Wagoner Room 110

Stonebridge Health Campus 3100 Shawnee Dr. South, 812-278-8195

Carol Mifflin Room 502 Paul Miller Room 516 Carolyn Tumey Room 109 Jimmy Waggoner 208 Three Men on Camelback by Ann Ker

Three men on camelback riding, three men on camelback long ago, trav'ling far to greet the Savior; Three men on camelback riding.

Follow the star above, shining, shining, follow the star to Bethlehem, in a manger sleeps the Baby, follow the star above, shining.

Climbing up the highest mountain, over hill and valley too, we are searching for the Christ-Child, come to save both me and you.

Three men on camelback bringing, Bringing presents for the newborn King. Hurry now to find the stable; three men on camelback riding.

We three kings of Orient are; Field and fountain, moor and mountain; We three kings

Three men on camelback riding, riding, three men on camelback long ago, trav'ling far to greet the Savior, Three men on camelback riding. Three men on camelback riding, riding, riding.