

Church Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Custodian's Hours: Monday-Wednesday: 8:00 am - 11:00 am, Sunday: 1 hour

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Elders

Dec. 19 Jack Maxwell

Dec. 26 Christie Maxwell

Greeters

15th St Cathy Allman (5, 12, 19)

15th St Pat Merchant (24 & 26)

K St Helen Merchant

Canopy Ron Bell

Prayer List: Francena Beasley, Paula Beaton, Charles Bouldin, Bob and June Briscoe, Hannah Brooking, Brandy Busz, J.T. Carter, Levi Chisholm, Marian Cooley, Tina Corum, Chantell Emberton, Aaron Evans, Ariene Gilbert, James Hackney, Karen Hackney, Margaret Hathaway, Liam Harting, Ainsley Jefferies, Rita Jenkins, Tyler Johnson, Lisa Jordan, Emma Joyner, Van Kavanaugh, Mike Kern, Defne Leonard, Nina Sailor Lowe, Maddie Lynch, Danny Lyons, Don Mains, Mary Malec, Victoria & Baby McVicker, William Metz, Carol Mifflin, Kim Mills, Sheila Miskuf, Patricia Morris, Sarah Mullis, Charity Henderson Parker, Shelly Perrson, Betty Robbins, John Robbins, Scott Roberts, Gregg Romine, Nina Saylor, Mary Beth Sieman, Linda Smith, Francis Stone, Candy Sykes, Steven Taylor, Greg VanCleave, Harbor Webb, Carol Wieneke, Kristy Williams, Roger Wykoff

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

Those unable to be with us in Worship: Vivian Fishel, Barbara Hall, Jacob Householder, Shirley McMunn, Marilyn Olson, Laverne Speer, Jimmy Waggoner.

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



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Reaching Outward to Connect People with God's Abundance



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP

10:30 am

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 Poeme Mystique - Richard Purvis

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Eric Brotheridge

*Call to Worship Elder Jack Maxwell

Leader God is love.

ALL: Revealed to us in this way:

Leader: God's Christ-child born of Mary,

ALL: So that we might have life and have it abundantly!

*Opening Hymn Womb of Life, and Source of Being #14

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Bellush Family Hymn #128, v. 4

Children's Moment Rev. Eric

A Time of Prayer Rev. Eric

Prayer Hymn Seek Ye First #354 v. 1

Call to Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer All

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 have sinned against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace Pastor: Peace be with you **All: And also with you**

Special Music Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus - trad. Handbell Choir
Cathy Allman, Bonnie Fye, Ginny Jones, Barbara Sorrells

Intro to Scripture Rev. Eric

Scripture Luke 1:26-38 Revised New Standard Version Elder

Proclamation "Thank You for the Beginning!" Rev. Eric

***Hymn of Discipleship** O Little Town of Bethlehem #144

***Invitation to Giving** Elder

***Doxology** All

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

***Prayer of Dedication** Elder

Invitation to Christ's Table Elder

Prayer for the Bread and Cup Elder

Communion Music Carol of the Manger - Dale Wood

Words of Institution Rev. Eric

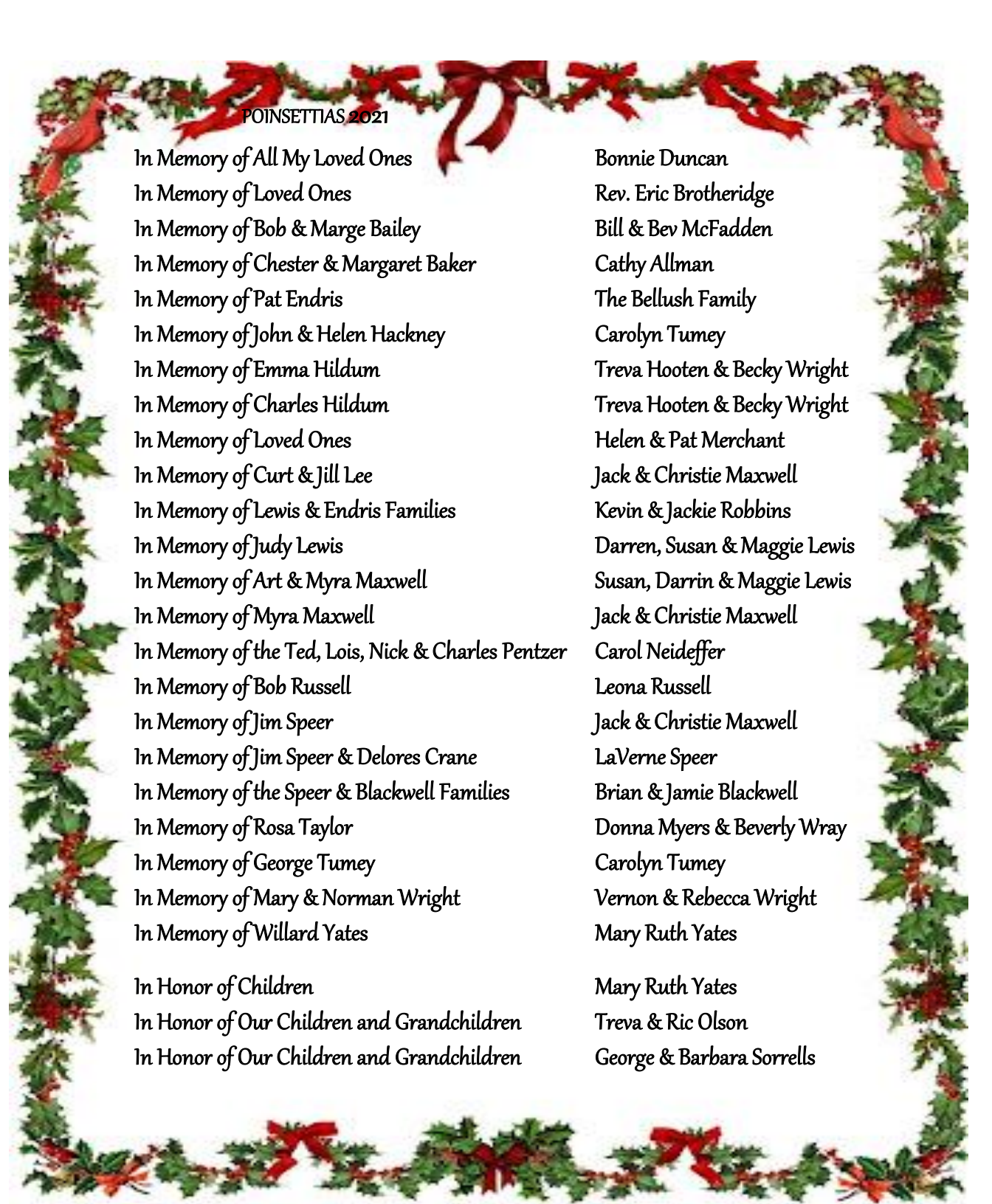
Taking of the Bread and Cup Together

***Closing Hymn** It Came upon the Midnight Clear #153

***Blessings and Benediction** Rev. Eric

May God bless you.
May God keep you.
Make God's face to shine upon you.
And be gracious unto you.
May God lift up God's countenance upon you.
And give you peace.
And give you peace.

***Postlude** In Dulci Jubilo - Bach



POINSETTIAS 2021

In Memory of All My Loved Ones

In Memory of Loved Ones

In Memory of Bob & Marge Bailey

In Memory of Chester & Margaret Baker

In Memory of Pat Endris

In Memory of John & Helen Hackney

In Memory of Emma Hildum

In Memory of Charles Hildum

In Memory of Loved Ones

In Memory of Curt & Jill Lee

In Memory of Lewis & Endris Families

In Memory of Judy Lewis

In Memory of Art & Myra Maxwell

In Memory of Myra Maxwell

In Memory of the Ted, Lois, Nick & Charles Pentzer

In Memory of Bob Russell

In Memory of Jim Speer

In Memory of Jim Speer & Delores Crane

In Memory of the Speer & Blackwell Families

In Memory of Rosa Taylor

In Memory of George Turney

In Memory of Mary & Norman Wright

In Memory of Willard Yates

In Honor of Children

In Honor of Our Children and Grandchildren

In Honor of Our Children and Grandchildren

Bonnie Duncan

Rev. Eric Brotheridge

Bill & Bev McFadden

Cathy Allman

The Bellush Family

Carolyn Turney

Treva Hooten & Becky Wright

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Helen & Pat Merchant

Jack & Christie Maxwell

Kevin & Jackie Robbins

Darren, Susan & Maggie Lewis

Susan, Darrin & Maggie Lewis

Jack & Christie Maxwell

Carol Neideffer

Leona Russell

Jack & Christie Maxwell

LaVerne Speer

Brian & Jamie Blackwell

Donna Myers & Beverly Wray

Carolyn Turney

Vernon & Rebecca Wright

Mary Ruth Yates

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Treva & Ric Olson

George & Barbara Sorrells



RURAL KING CHURCH WEEK

December 10 – December 24,
2021

<https://www.ruralking.com/churchweek>

Rural King is supporting Christian organizations by donating 10% of each valid Rural King receipt total after sales tax to the registered organization chosen by the customer.

Bedford First Christian Church is registered!

From **December 10 – December 24, 2021**, customers can upload their Rural King receipts to www.ruralking.com/churchweek and 10% of their receipt total after sales tax will go to the registered Christian organization of their choice.

Instructions:

- Go to or click on this link: <https://www.ruralking.com/churchweek>
- Under Church Week Heading, click on Search or Organization Search
- Select State: Indiana
- Select City: Bedford
- Select: our church (You should now see a picture of our church)
- All receipts dated **December 10 – December 24, 2021** must be uploaded by January 7, 2022.

All donations will be provided by our local Rural King. All Rural King stores are participating.

Please share with your friends and be sure to say Thank You to Rural King management and associates when you shop.

Special Offering for those Impacted by
the Severe Tornado Outbreak



Our hearts are broken for all whose lives have been affected irrevocably by this disaster. Week of Compassion is working with local partners and church leaders to meet immediate needs and also support long-term recovery. Write your check to First Christian and designate it for Week of Compassion "U.S. Storms and Fires".

We are also taking up a special Christmas Offering for Disciples Mission Fund. You will find an enclosed envelope and an insert explaining how this offering supports the ministries of our Region.



Outreach Committee Ministry

We are **collecting Beans and Cornbread during the month of December** 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.

A festive graphic for a Christmas Eve Service. The central text "christmas eve SERVICE" is written on a piece of parchment. "SERVICE" is in a red box. Below it says "You're Invited". To the left, it says "Festive music will begin at 10:30 pm with the service starting at 11:00 pm:". To the right, it says "Scripture readings and carols in a wonderful candlelight atmosphere as we once again welcome the Christ Child into our midst." The background is dark with a green and red geometric pattern and a glowing star at the bottom.