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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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.
First Sunday after Christmas

December 26, 2021

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Reaching Outward to Connect People with God's Abundance
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)**

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**Prelude**

Improvisation on “Greensleeves” - Fedak

**Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Eric Brotheridge

**Call to Worship**

Elder Susan Maxwell Lewis

Leader: Blessed be God, who has come among us to dwell.

**ALL:** Blessed be God, Immanuel!

**Opening Hymn**

Angels, from the Realms of Glory #149

**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**

“Sweet Little Jesus Boy” – Rev. Eric
Intro to Scripture

Scripture
Matthew 2:13-23
New Revised Standard Version

Proclamation
“Get up! Go”

*Hymn of Discipleship
Joy to the World
#143

*Invitation to Giving

*Doxology
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

Invitation to Christ’s Table

Prayer for the Bread and Cup

Communion Music
Noel – D’Aquin

Words of Institution

Taking of the Bread and Cup Together

*Closing Hymn
Go Tell It on the Mountain
#167

*Blessings and Benediction
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
Joy to the World – Anna Laura Page
Unfortunately, the mail is slow and our offering envelopes have been delayed. We hope to have them by mid-January.

In the meantime, please use the envelopes in the pews and record your name on the envelope. Thank you for your understanding.

Just a Friendly Reminder

The Church office is closed on Mondays. Linda is in the office on Mondays BUT she is busy doing finances and is not available to answer the door or help with questions, etc.

When you have business with the office, please come when the office is open.

Hours are Tuesday – Friday: 9am-2pm
The Outreach Ministry would like to thank all those who contributed to our missions in 2021.

Thanks to those who brought food every week for Life Pantry and those who contributed to the purchase of food during Feed My Sheep. A big thanks to those who helped load and unload the food from Aldi’s.

We would like to thank the people who financially donated in order for us to purchase food for the Men’s Warming Shelter. A big shout out of thanks to those who prepare and deliver the food.

Last, but not least, thanks to those who provided coats, money, and worked the coat bank. Because of you, 69 Lawrence County youth will be warm this winter.

Here is our WISH LIST for 2022:

- Continue to bring food for the Life Pantry by filling our baskets every week
- Continue to provide financial support to purchase food to feed the men at the Men’s Warming Shelter each week
- Help restock our coat bank. We are in need of the following sizes:

  Men: medium, large, and extra large  
  Women: medium and large  
  Boys: 2 yr; 4 yr; 7 and larger  
  Girls: 3-5; 8/10; 16 and larger

Without the generous and loving members of this church our missions would not have been accomplished.

Thanks again,
The Outreach Ministry
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.

SERVING SCHEDULE: DECEMBER

Elders
Dec. 5  Jack Maxwell
Dec. 12 Christie Maxwell
Dec. 19 Jack Maxwell
Dec. 26 Susan Maxwell Lewis

Greeters
15th St  Pat Merchant
K St    Helen Merchant
Canopy  Ron Bell

If you cannot serve your scheduled Sunday, please contact another Elder or Deacon or Steward and arrange to trade dates.