

This Week at the Ogden Presbyterian Church		Upcoming OPC Events	
Today	Worship, 10am 4th Sunday of Advent—Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service, 7pm	January 2	Fellowship, 6pm
Monday	MERRY CHRISTMAS!	January 4	Pastor Nominating Committee, 6-8pm
Tuesday	**ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE**	January 6—7	Youth Lock-In
Wednesday	Home Bureau, 9:30—2:30 Choir, 4pm TOPS, 5:30pm Bells, 6pm	January 7	PW (after worship)
Next Sunday	New Year's Eve Worship, 10am	January 8	Men's Bible, Noon, Union St Eatery Pastor Nominating Committee, 6-8pm
		January 9	Worship & Music, 7pm
		January 12	Scout Setup (pm)
		January 13	Scout Pancake Breakfast
		January 20	PW Brunch, 10am

Worship and Fellowship Assistants		
	Today	Next Sunday
Greeters	Dawn Sheffet	Roger & Bonnie Howlett
Ushers	Diane & Dennis Dupree	Sandy & Jim Frieday
Liturgist	Norma Jones	Sandy Frieday
Fellowship	Bonnie & Roger Howlett	Sandy Frieday
SS Teacher	NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
Nursery	TBA	TBA
	BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR	Bonnie Bush
	CHOIR DIRECTOR	Jean Weaver
	ORGANIST/ACCOMPANIST	Ellen Bristol
	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR	Donna Metherell

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Welcome to Ogden Presbyterian Church
Sunday, December 24, 2017 — 4th Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CHIMES “Carol of the Bells” ~Leontovich

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING EACH OTHER

 Ring of the Bell

PRELUDE “Christmas Suite for Organ” 1. The Heralding, 2. Cradle Song, 3. Joy ~Young
 Lighting of the Candles

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Philippians 4)

L: Rejoice in the Lord always.

P: We will say it again: Rejoice!

L: Let your gentleness be known to all.

P: The Lord is near!!

L: We rejoice in the hope of the Christ’s coming.

P: We rejoice in his healing presence!

L: Let us sing songs of joy and praise this day

P: As we await joyfully for his coming!

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF JOY

L: Today we light four candles — the first Candle is Hope and it is a gift from God.

P: The second Candle is Peace, God’s gentle healing peace for our lives.

L: The third Candle celebrates Love, because of God’s steadfast love in our lives.

P: For each of those candles, we are thankful.

L: Today’s Candle is Joy, because of God’s joyful presence in our lives.

P: May the light of these Candles — Hope, Peace, Love and Joy — bring comfort to our spirits.

*HYMN #13 “Prepare the Way, O Zion”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Joyful God, forgive us when we pay more attention to satisfying our own needs than seeking you and your will for our lives; forgive us for being more interested in possessing the material things of life rather than your spiritual gifts. Turn our lives around so that we are looking in the right direction — towards you, for only then can we hope to recognize the signs of your healing presence in the world.

(silence is observed for reflection and prayer)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Sisters and Brothers, our God is a God of joy, forgiveness, and new life. Let us prepare and commit our lives to God’s way of Love.

P: Thanks be to the Advent God, who comes among us, setting us free to love and to be loved. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM “Three English Carols” ~arr. Pethel

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:26-38

p. 831

Isaiah 55:1-12

p. 598

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON “Come”

Rev. Tedd Pullano

*HYMN #38 “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERING INVITATION

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OFFERTORY “Mary, Did You Know?”

~Julia Ryhal & Jenifer Lalnunkimi

*DOXOLOGY #592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Gracious God, in response to the great blessings you have given us, we offer these gifts in joy. We especially give thanks for the great gift of your love Who comes to us soon. We pray that Jesus will be born anew into our hearts, and that the witness of our lives will convince others of the wonder and the miracle of Christmas. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER (unison)

“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. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.”

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #22 “Angels from the Realms of Glory”

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE “Hallelujah Chorus”

~Handel



*****REMINDER*** Dennis is closing the 2017 books THIS THURSDAY (December 28th). Any pledges or other giving MUST be given to him on or before THURSDAY if you want it included in your 2017 giving. dennis.dupree71@gmail.com or 352-1824.**