

Welcome to Praise and Worship

Thank you for joining us! Today is the first Sunday of the church calendar year. It is also the first Sunday of Advent; a season when we look back on the promises God has fulfilled for us and also when we look forward to the promises of the future when He will come to take us to be with Him. Until then, we live as People Enriched At Christ's Expense, who trust in His grace and continue to prepare for His coming again. May God richly bless you today and through this season, as we encourage one another to trust in Christ on our journey of faith.

December 3, 2017 – First Sunday of Advent

"Sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him." Psalm 98:1



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

ADVENT READING AND CANDLE LIGHTING Isaiah 9:2-7 (pg. 1072)
Nathan, Bradley and Jerry Tilson

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

EXPRESSION OF WORSHIP

Jerry & Kathy Forbes

MESSAGE Mark 13:33-37 (pg. 1578)

"Watching While Preparing"

RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 173, vss. 1,2

Joy to the World

COMMUNION

Although you do not have to be a member of this church to take part in the Lord's Supper, the Bible teaches that to take it you are to have accepted Jesus as your personal Savior and examine your heart and conduct, recognizing the significance of the Supper and participate in it with a sincere and repentant heart.

PRAYER

RESPONSIVE HYMN NO. 173, vss. 3,4

Joy to the World

THERE IS A "CHURCH" IN THE BACK FOR THE DEACON'S FUND FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

DOXOLOGY HYMN NO. 7: "Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen"

"Our prayer: that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel." Ephesians 6:19

Our Mission

"Our Mission is to glorify God by making disciples of Jesus Christ and by becoming a loving, serving, and maturing body of believers characterized by honesty about our sin and dependence upon God's grace."

Prayer Changes Things

- Be in prayer as our Sunday School prepares for the Christmas program. May all be blessed with greater insight into the meaning of Christmas.
- For our President, Cabinet, and military leaders for God's wisdom in dealing with world affairs.

Opportunities at Peace This Week

TODAY: 12:45 Ladies/Girl's Christmas Party

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| Tues | 6:00 pm | PRN Retreat Planning. All ladies are welcome to participate as we plan for the 2018 Retreat. Dinner with the guys first. |
| | 6:00 pm | Trustee Meeting. |
| | 6:00 pm | Church Council Meeting. |
| Wed | 6:30 pm | Ladies Bible Study in Fellowship Room. |
| | 6:30 pm | Refuge for 6th to 12th graders. |
| Thur | 7:00 pm | Care Group at Marlene Inverso's. |
| Sat | 9:00 am | Men's Breakfast. Great food, great friends. |
| | 10:00 -2:00 pm | Sunday School Christmas Program practice. Lunch included. |
| Sun | 8:45 am | Message for those who want to hear it early. |
| | 9:00 am | Join us in prayer for the ministry and the day. |
| | 9:30 am | Sunday School for all ages. |
| | 10:45 am | Morning Worship service. |
| | 2:30 pm | Adult Fellowship Christmas Party. Please bring a \$10 gift for the exchange. Plus a plate of goodies to share. Childcare provided. |

Looking Ahead

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| Dec. 17 | 6:00 pm | Sunday School Christmas Program with practice on 12/16. |
| Dec. 24 | 6:00 pm | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. |

NOTE: There is a signup sheet for those who are interested in the kitchen organization.

*The prayer list is meant to be a guide for our praying for one another on a regular basis. Prayer couplings for this week: Group 1 pray for Group 10, 2 for 11, 3 for 1, 4 for 2, 5 for 3, 6 for 4, 7 for 5, 8 for 6, 9 for 7, 10 for 8, 11 for 9. This list can be found on the table next to the door going out of the sanctuary.

A special "hello" to our guests! For your information:

- There is a hearing system available. If you need assistance, ask a sound guy in the back booth.
- A nursery is available for children infant through 3 years old in the room at the back of our worship area.
- Children's Activity Bags are in the back of our worship area.
- If you'd like to see who we are and what we do, pick up the latest newsletter on the entry bulletin board.
- If you'd like to hear a message after any Sunday, go to this link: <http://www.peacebchurch.org/>

Reminders:

- Write your prayer request on a card provided. It will be taken during the worship of our tithes.
- Junior Church for 4 year olds to 5th grade: This Sunday – Nicole Frost
Next Sunday – Charlene Carpenter