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Please tear here.

Sundays at North

Sunday Morning Hospitality

All are welcome

- 8:30-10:15: Community Room
- Following 11:00 service:
Community Room

Childcare During Worship

*Provided for infants-4 year olds
during both worship services &
Sunday School*

- Infant/Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102

Sunday School (9:45-10:45):

Adult Sunday School

- Affirming Group: Room 202
- Sojourners: Room 005
- Usual Suspects: Room 004
- Power & Light: Room 205

Children Sunday School

- Toddlers: Room 103
- Preschool: Room 102
- K & 1st Grade—101
- 2nd & 3rd Grade—104
- 4th & 5th Grade—203

Youth Sunday School

- Middle School: Room 207
- High School: Room 008
- Confirmation: Club Room

Music

(Following 11:00am service)

- Joyful Noise: Room 101
- Carolers: Conference Room
- Choristers: Room 004

The Happenings

Details can be found in the weekly eNews, social media, bulletin boards or the Fall Book

Today:

- Interfaith Hospitality Network sign ups, West Entry, 8 a.m.
- Youth Group, (sixth through twelfth graders), 5 p.m., Room 008.
- The Longest Night Service, 6 p.m., Chapel.

Dec. 19: Women of Lydia Circle pitch-in dinner, 6:30 p.m., Sue Childers' home.

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve services:

- **5 p.m., Children and Families Service;** special music by children's and youth choirs and the meaning of Christmas re-imagined through a North Church original drama performed by children and youth (please bring diapers and wipes for Exodus Refugee Immigration)
- **7:30 p.m., Celebration of Holy Communion**
- **11 p.m., Festival of Lessons and Carols**
Prelude music begins at 10:30 p.m.

Dec. 30: Last Sunday of the Year service, 11 a.m. (Only one worship service at 11 a.m.; no Sunday School and no child care.)

Jan. 4: Young Adult Game Night, 7-11 p.m. at the Gifford residence, 1931 E. 79th Street. Please RSVP by Jan. 2 to Cory Unthank at CoryUnthank@NorthChurchIndy.com.

Jan. 5: Yoga class begins for all ages and abilities, 9 a.m. for eight weeks, \$5 per class.

Jan. 20: "Breaking the Chains": panel discussion on human trafficking, 5-7 p.m.

Jan. 21: Martin Luther King Jr. Day Service, 10 a.m.

Wednesdays in February beginning Feb. 6: Book study on "What is the Least I Can Believe and Still be a Christian? A Guide to What Matters Most" by Martin Thielen, Thr3e Wise Men Brewing Co., 1021 Broad Ripple Ave.



December 16, 2018 Third Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE *Advent Fantasy* arr. J. Phillips
Cathedral Ringers

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY Interfaith Hospitality Network

*PASSING THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come for us.

People: Son of God, Wisdom Divine, come.

Leader: Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come for us.

People: Great Lord of might, Root of Jesse, come.

*OPENING HYMN #211 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

CHORISTERS' ANTHEM 11:00 *Angels' Lullaby* J. Gallina
Choristers & Dads; Tona Dorrell, piano; Rosie Jordan, director
Hush, hush a baby's asleep. Born in a holy manger, sweet dreams He will keep.
Hush, hear the angels on high sing to the holy baby a sweet lullaby.
Allelu, Allelu they sing a glad Noel for born is the King of Israel.

The first Noel the angels did say, was to certain poor shepherds in fields where they lay. In fields where they lay keeping their sheep on a cold, winter's night that was so deep. Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel! Born is the King of Israel.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Will Hamstra

Holy Word,

you are our guide and assurance.

By your Holy Spirit,

open us to your commands and promises

and renew us again with the fire of your love.

Amen.

**Please stand as you are able.*

FIRST LESSON Zephaniah 3:14-20 Pew Bible, OT, pg. 826

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES 8:30 The Harrott Family

11:00 The Denney Family

Leader: During Advent our eyes are opened to the wonders of God.

People: With God all things are possible.

Leader: During Advent our faith is nurtured by the promise of God.

People: With God all things are possible.

Leader: During Advent our hope is reawakened to the presence of God.

People: With God all things are possible.

Leader: During Advent our lives are touched by the love of God.

People: With God all things are possible.

Congregational Response God is Near arr. J. Raney

Lis - ten to the an - gels, hear the mes - sage they bring;
 5 tell - ing the news of a com - ing King; fill - ing the
 10 world with hope and good cheer. Je - sus, Em - man - u - el,
 15 God is near.

INVITATION TO PRAYER Cory Unthank

HYMN OF PRAYER #217 Away in a Manger vs. 1-2

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
 Leader: God, in your mercy . . .
 People: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

HYMN OF PRAYER #217 Away in a Manger v. 3

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Zion hört die Wächter singen J.S. Bach
 from Cantata 140 Sung in German
 Men of the Cathedral Singers

Zion hears the lookouts singing. In every heart new joy is pounding.
 All wake and hurry to get up. Your Friend comes from heaven glorious,
 with kindness, strong, with truth victorious, the day gets bright, God's sun is up.
 Now come, o precious crown, Lord Jesus, God's own Son! Hosanna pray!
 You call us all into joy's hall to celebrate the Holy Meal!

*DOXOLOGY #94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

SECOND LESSON Philippians 4:4-7 Pew Bible, NT, pg. 187

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Advent Letter #3: Rejoice Ronnie Bell

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #715 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE Angels We Have Heard on High arr. A. B. Sherman
 Cathedral Ringers

The flowers on the altar today are given for the glory of God and in memory of Paul and Martha Benedict by Katherine Benedict.

Confirmand Bio:
 My name is Will Hamstra, and I am a 7th grader at Merle Sidener Gifted Academy. My favorite sport is soccer, but I also run track at school. I like making games, and my brothers love to play them. My favorite class is math. My favorite subject is physics, and I love doing experiments.

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Accessibility

- Wheelchair(s) located in west entry
- Wheelchair and elevator access in the west and southwest entries
- Pew cutouts in Sanctuary for wheelchairs
- Hearing enhancement devices available at welcome desk in west entry and tables in east entry of Sanctuary
- Large print hymnals and bulletins available from ushers

Children

We love children to join us in worship. If you prefer, childcare is available for infants-4 year olds in rooms on the main floor. Worship bags are available for all kids in the east entry.

This week's worship leaders:
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 Senior Pastor
 Will Hamstra
 Liturgist
 Ronnie Bell
 Pastor of Mission & Outreach
 Cory Unthank
 Minister of Youth & Young Adults
 Mark Gilgallon
 Director of Music
 Heather Hinton
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