



Today's altar flowers as well as *the Vine* is given in celebration of Carl and Tony's wedding.

Poinsettias!

Christmas is a special time of year. It is a time to remember the people who have made a difference in our lives, whether they are living or transitioned onward. If you would like to order a poinsettia, please write "FLOWER" in the Redbook. Look for a beautiful listing of all those shining souls on Christmas Eve. Let us celebrate your loved ones with you! Poinsettias cost \$10 each.

Radio Play: God Save The Queen

The 1940's Radio Play is NEXT week! Come join us on Sunday, December 16th at 4pm or 7pm. We expect it to be jam-packed with music and joy, so plan to be here early. You aren't going to want to miss the fun. Make plans to bring your friends and family.

Please be aware that on her last Sunday as our Pastor, December 30, Rev. West will be serving communion in the Fireside Room from 9 am until 10:15 am.

Our weekly offering is down and we are below our yearly budget. Please consider helping us meet our ongoing weekly budget that we as a congregation voted on. Your commitment to tithing is what makes the church operate and provides outreach to the ministries of Celebration Community Church.

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| Total Offering | \$8,113.25 |
| Budget | \$8,319.56 |
| Difference | \$ 278.31 |
| Yearly Deficit | (35,281.05) |

Please note, there will be no Bible & Biscuits on Sunday, December 30th.



Processing the Advent Candle this week is Tom Long, our Director of Facilities. Tom served on our Board of Directors for six years, and joined the Staff in November of 2005. Having served in many capacities on staff, Tom has been an integral part of Celebration.

Secret Santa

If you received an envelope for Secret Santa, we ask that you bring gifts by on or before next Sunday, December 16th as we will be delivering the items on Monday.

Christmas Eve at Celebration

Join us on Monday, December 24th for our Christmas Eve service. There will be two identical services - one at 9pm, the other at 11pm.

Attention Kroger Shoppers!

Kroger has recently upgraded their Community Rewards system, and we have a new account number: **LG128**. If you already have an account number with the Community Rewards Program, you will need to update your information by going by your Kroger's or changing to our new account number at <http://www.kroger.com>. Thanks for helping your church!

This Week at Celebration:

Monday, December 10
7:00 pm Instrumentalist Rehearsal

Tuesday, December 11
6:00 pm Rosary Prayers

Wednesday, December 12
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, December 16
9:45 am Biscuits & Bible Study

11:00 am Worship
Nursery & Youth
Sunday School

4:00 pm Radio Play
7:00 pm Radio Play

Celebration Community Church Honors Carol & Angela

Join us on Monday, December 31st when we honor Carol & Angela. The Celebration will begin at 7 pm until midnight. There will be snacks & dancing. BYOB. More details to follow; please write "C&A" in the redbook if you plan to attend.

Rev. Carol West, Pastor

Rick S. Gates, Minister of Music
Kee Sourjohn, Organist
Shoshana Cook, Pianist

Gary Cunningham, Director of Media
Michele Wheeler, Sound Technician
Blaine Cook, Drummer



Celebration Community Church
Sunday at Celebration

Second Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2018

11 am



In this second week of Advent, John the Baptist urges us to prepare and reorder our lives. Clearly, we're in need of a civil engineer in all we do. How would we reorder our lives if we remembered that all will pass away? How would our paths and priorities shift? As John the Baptist prepared the way of the Lord, so do we. We prepare our hearts and homes, not in haste, but in love and with longing.

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December 09, 2018

Prelude

Advent Litany

O Morning Star, Splendor of Light Eternal,
O Radiant Dawn, O Dayspring from on high,
Shining with the glory of the sun,
Come and awaken us from the greyness of our apathy,
And renew in us your gift of inner peace.
O Bright Star of Justice,
Seek to straighten what is crooked
And put right what is wrong,
Come with power and mercy to our reluctant hearts.

*Processional Hymn #148

O Come All Ye Faithful
(St. 1, 2, 3, 4)

Welcome & Announcements

Meet With Me

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Invocation

The Lighting Of The Candle Of Peace

As this season of Advent unfolds around us, the silent prayers of peace lie like stars hidden in a clouded night. May we inspire the world with peace. May we touch it to our lives that in every place of stress, frustration, or fear, we might feel the presence of peace easing our hearts and transforming our lives. And may we share its healing power with others, that we all might become the inspiration through which peace makes its way to a new yet-dreamt-of world.
May Peace light the world this Christmas.

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One Candle Is Lit

1

Come surely, Lord Jesus, as dawn follows night,
Our hearts long to greet you, as roses the light.
Salvation draw near us, our vision engage,
One candle is lit for the hope of the age.

2

Come quickly, shalom, teach us how to prepare
For a gift that compels us with justice to care.
Our spirits are restless till sin and war cease.
One candle is lit for the reign of God's peace.

Prayer Hymn #134

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

McGee

Pastoral Prayer

A Christmas Memory

Choral Anthem

Beautiful Star of Bethlehem
Chris Bradberry, Larry Locke, Liz Young, Shannon Guttrich

*Scripture Reading

Modern Reading

Sermon

Reverend Carol West

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Music

Goin' to Bethlehem
David Brock, Kee Sourjohn, Rick Gates, Roman Ruckhofer, Scott Bellen

Althouse

Offertory Response

Chalice # 155 Angels We Have Heard On High

Communion

(Communion is a sacred time. During this time of communion, you are welcome to join us in prayer, in silence, or quietly singing these songs.)

Communion Hymns

86 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

145 *Silent Night*

*Closing Hymn # 151

The First Noel
(St. 1 & 4)

Traditional English Carol

*Benediction

*Please rise as you are able.