



Join us for snacks and coffee across from the sanctuary following the worship service. Thank you Elle and Dana Woodring for hosting.



SERMONS ONLINE

Going to miss church next week? Wish you could remember the important points in last week's message? Know someone who needs to hear this week's message? You can find sermons at

mansfield1st.com/sermons



In the pew you will find small cards with a QR code on them. Scanning this code with your camera phone will allow you to give electronically. If you choose to give electronically this week, you are welcome to put one in the offering plate. This will let the office know to watch for an online gift.

This Week at Mansfield 1st

Sunday, December 1

9 a.m.

Adult Sunday School

10 a.m.

Worship Service

Thursday, December 5

9:30 a.m.

Prayer Meeting



"For Unto Us A Child Is Born..."
Isaiah 9:6

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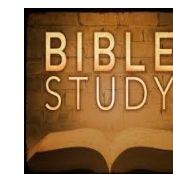
Announcements!

WE WANT TO PRAY FOR YOU

If you have an immediate prayer need and would like prayer during service today, please fill out the pew card and place it in the offering plate. Prayer requests will be read and prayers will be after the sermon. Be as thorough as possible so we can most effectively pray for you, and/or get back with you if more information is needed.

Last week your contributions totaled \$1,673 . This includes online deposits posted 11/18-11/24. Thank you for your tithes and offerings.

We would like to help you make your giving simple, fast, and meaningful. We offer multiple online giving options to members and visitors. If you would like to learn more or need help creating a login account with Realm, please find the sign up sheet in the office hallway. YOU DO NEED AN EMAIL ADDRESS TO CREATE A REALM ACCOUNT.



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Studying the Epistles of Paul, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians.

(Class is held in the Westminster Room-lower level of church)



Session minutes are available in the Narthex following their approval.

Order of Worship

December 1, 2019

Announcements

Moment for Mission—Mission Team

***Greet One Another with the Peace of Christ**

Call To Worship (Psalm 27:4-6)

Leader: One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

People: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.

ALL: And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

We welcome you this morning on this First Sunday in Advent

Lighting of the Advent Candle (Hope) & Reflection:

(Jeff and Robin Ries)

***Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon**

Heavenly Father, Your steadfast love, forgiveness, mercy and grace are Your gifts to us, but Your greatest gift is that of Your son Jesus Christ. Often we take for granted these gifts and live as if they were of no importance. Forgive us, for You are Emmanuel, God with us, now and forever. Forgive us for not seeking daily the guidance of the Holy Spirit- a precious sign of our salvation. Pardon our sometimes feeble trust and strengthen our faith as we want to bless You by our lives of love and obedience. Bless us this Advent Season as we rejoice in the birth of our Redeemer and friend. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen

***Hymn of Praise:**

#255 “Lo! How a Rose E’er Blooming”

Tithes, Offerings, Offertory, and Prayer Requests

***Song of Response #815 Doxology**

Children’s Message

Children are dismissed for Kids’ Own Worship

Scripture: Isaiah 9:6

Sermon: “For Unto Us A Child Is Born...”

***Song of Response:**

#244 “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Our Confession of Faith Together: The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to the Table: *Personal Preparation*

Institution of the Sacrament: *Blessing the Bread in Jesus’ Name*

Blessing the Cup in Jesus’ Name

Distribution of the Elements:

PLEASE HOLD THE BREAD AND THE CUP SO THAT WE MAY TAKE THEM TOGETHER

Receive the Bread in Jesus’ Name

Receive the Cup in Jesus’ Name

Closing Prayer of Hope in God’s Grace

***Closing Hymn:**

#290 “As with Gladness Men of Old”

Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand if possible