

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Happy Birthday this week to: (12/26) Sandy Mann; (12/27) David McCarty; (12/29) Jake Pauley; (1/1) Hu Partin, Brenda Spradley

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

Liturgist: Jayne Pauley
Greeters: Elaine Howard, Alesia Nixon
Elders on Duty: Pat Briggs, Gary Knox

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR DECEMBER:

	Liturgists:	Elders on Duty:
Jan. 2	Sandy Mann	Doug Pauley, Sally Burek
Jan. 9	John Darden	Peggy Darden, Jolene Davis
Jan. 16	Karen McBride	Elliott Lamb, Cy Wood
Jan. 25	Mike Pauley	Wade Hall, Cynthia Tidwell
Jan. 30	Jayne Pauley	Gary Knox, Eugene Turner

USHER/GREETER ROTATION:

1st Sunday: Eugene Turner, Trudy Calhoun
2nd Sunday: Veronica & Brock Sirmons
3rd Sunday: Mark Davis, Trent Mann
4th Sunday: Elaine Howard, Alesia Nixon
5th Sunday: Youth



LOYD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PROGRAM TEAM:

Adrienne Hardie, Church Secretary
Rick Robertson, Pianist
Koren Stapp, Nursery Coordinator
Pam Darden, God's Promised Land Coordinator
Katie Vincent, Nursery Worker

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*If you are interested in church membership,
or have a question about the life and ministry of this congregation,
please speak with one of our elders.*



LOYD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 26, 2021
11:00 a.m. Worship
1st Sunday of Christmas

GATHERING THE PEOPLE OF GOD

PRELUDE "In the Bleak Midwinter" (arr. Mark Hayes)
Rick Robertson, piano

GREETING, WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Rejoice in God, who is our life and salvation. Christ has come to make us heirs of God's promises.

People: **God commanded, and we were created. We are children of the Most High.**

Leader: Praise God from the heights of heaven. Praise God, all people of the earth.

People: **God opens our eyes to see the light. We will be called by a new name.**

Leader: Men and women, youth and aged, Sing of God's glory; shout your praise.

All: **God has made us heirs of promise. We will praise God's holy name.**

*HYMN #53

"What Child Is This?"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

We bring our prayers to you, gracious God, sensing that there is more to life than the ways we have known. We are drawn to the Messiah, yet we shrink from following where faith leads. We are afraid of what we might lose if we are guided by the Spirit. Thoughts of sacrifice and servanthood are not appealing to us. We are reluctant to enter into a close relationship with you. We think we know, better than you, what is best for us. Forgive our arrogance. Help us see the Christ. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Psalm 103:12

“As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.”

***APOSTLE’S CREED (Unison)**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of
God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Coventry Carol”

(arr. Mark Hayes)
Rick Robertson, piano

***DOXOLOGY**

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139:1-8

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Chase Davis

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:25-35

MESSAGE

Mike Pauley

“What Story Would You Tell?”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (IN 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;
And 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.**

***HYMN #56**

“The First Noel”

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

“Away in a Manger”

***Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.***

***POSTLUDE**

“Joy to the World!”

(arr. Matt Schinske)
Rick Robertson, piano

***Please stand if you are able**



*A gift was given by Marion & Carol Turlich
in loving memory of Myrtle Rowe.*



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Phyllis Atkins
Laurali Davidson
Charles & Peggy Darden
Charles Herring
Johnny Hubbard
Wilson Kennedy
Family of Nell Mitchell
Family of Bryce Ratliff

Joyce Rowden
Brock Sirmons
Veronica Sirmons
Amy Starling
Dewey Turner
Unchurched of Troup Co.
Charlie Vincent
Doug Walker