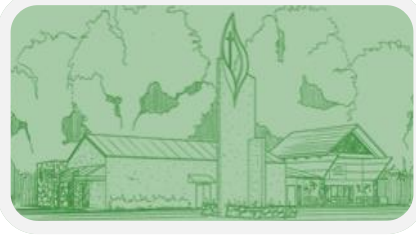


**Christmas Eve
Outdoor Worship Service
December 24, 2020 ~ 7:30 PM**

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WELCOME

Pastor Donna

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Patty Moody

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mary Lawson

L: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

P: Celebrate the coming of the Light.

L: O sing to the Lord a new song, God's salvation is at hand.

P: Celebrate the coming of Salvation.

L: For a child has been born for us, a son given to us.

P: Celebrate the coming of the Prince of Peace.

L: I bring you good news of great joy for all the people.

P: Celebrate the coming of Christ!

OPENING PRAYER

Mary Lawson

God of light and love, shine upon us this Christmas Eve and in the year ahead. Guide us out of darkness and into your joyous light. May our lives reflect your glorious love, that others may see your Christmas Spirit in us, each and every day of our lives. Amen

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Advent hope moves us; Advent love leads us; Advent joy stirs us; Advent peace stills us, that we might affirm our King Jesus.

It is time we set flame to this Advent affirmation by lighting the Christ Candle.

We believe that Jesus is the Son of God. He was born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem of Judea. He was the long-awaited Messiah whose coming was prophesied. The same Jesus lives today in our hearts. He deserves our highest loyalty and total commitment. In Jesus Christ our hope is fulfilled; our love is consummated; our joy is complete; and our peace is sealed.

Rejoice, a Savior is born.

A savior is born, indeed. Joy to the world!

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King;
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come,
off-spring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see:
hail th'incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"glory to the new-born King!"

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"

SPECIAL MUSIC*Circle of Love***Buck Lawson & Judy Locke****OLD TESTAMENT****Isaiah 52:7-10 (CEB)****Pastor Donna****CHRISTMAS PRAYER****HYMN MEDLEY***Angels from the
Realms of Glory*

Angels from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth; ye
who sang creation's story now pro-
claim Messiah's birth:

Come and worship,
come and worship,
worship Christ,
the new-born King.

Sages, leave your contemplations,
brighter visions beam afar;

seek the great Desire of nations;
ye have seen his natal star:

Come and worship,
come and worship,
worship Christ,
the new-born King.

O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye,
to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him,
born the King of angels;

O Come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

Beautiful Savior

Beautiful Savior,
ruler of all nature,

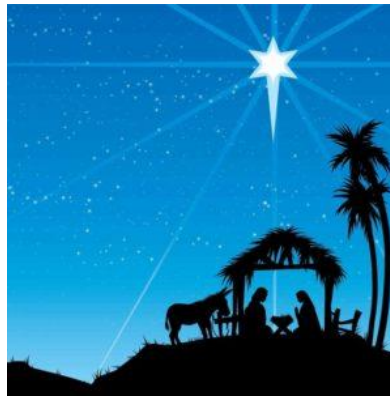
O thou of God and
man the Son,
thee will I cherish,

thee will I honor, thou,
my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

SCRIPTURE**Luke 2:1-20 (CEB)****Pastor Donna****MESSAGE***We Believe, Even Now***SOLO***O Holy Night***Ron Gray****HYMN***Silent Night (with candle lighting)*

Silent night, holy night,
all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,
shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!



Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light;
radiant beams from thy holy face
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Silent night, holy night,
wondrous star, lend thy light;
with the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!

Benediction

TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH CHRIST'S LOVE

PRAYER REQUESTS

MOURNING FOR THE FAMILY OF:

Katherine Filbert—passed away on Dec. 6, 2020 (Dot Myers neighbor)
 Michael Warren—passed away on Dec. 3, 2020 after a long illness.

GENERAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR THE WEEK:

Helen Karl—is in great pain from an abscessed tooth.

She's been suffering for 3 days without being able to find a dentist to treat her.

Kacie Lowe—has Covid-19 and is not doing well. (Bud & Arlene's granddaughter in New York)

Patti Sulzbach—recovering at home from a fall



Thank you to my church family for the prayers, cards, calls and expressions of sympathy,
Shelia Warren

A HUGE thank you from Pastor Donna and all of the staff for your Christmas gifts. We are very grateful to serve such a wonderful congregation of caring people!
Pastor Donna, Andy, Bob, Dot, Fred, Karin, Melissa & Patty

MEETINGS & EVENTS

(Please wear a mask at meetings and worship services and practice social distancing)

(Boys & Girls Club — CLOSED THIS WEEK)

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Tuesdays at 8:30AM

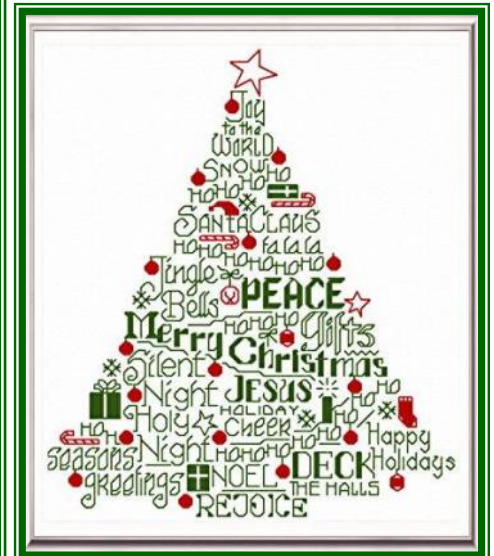
**Thurs., Dec. 24th, 7:30 PM—Christmas Eve OUTDOOR
 Worship Service**

Fri., Dec. 25th, CHRISTMAS—OFFICE CLOSED

Sat., Dec. 26th—PANTRY CLOSED

**Sun., Dec. 27th, 9AM Outdoor Contemporary Worship Service
 11AM Indoor Traditional Worship Service**

(please call Susie Lawson for reservations for 11AM service)



BIRTHDAYS

12/21 Marla Hager
12/22 Chuck Jessup
12/23 Mary Lawson +
12/24 Joy Hughes +
12/25 Jesus Christ
12/26 Carol Nelson
+= over 80



ANNIVERSARIES

12/23 Bob Gudis &
Ginger Clark
12/25 Doug & Kathy Jones



Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be closed Sat., Dec. 26th and re-open Jan. 2, 2021.

Thank you to the many people who donated their time and money to help feed the hungry.

Our food pantry fed 5,515 people in 2020.

Women's Breakfast

Thursday, January 14th, 9AM
Golden Biscuit, NSB

ASH WEDNESDAY

Feb. 17, 2021

REVIVAL

with Rev. Matt Henson, Evangelist

February 21, 2021

Rev. Matt Henson will be speaking during both worship services at 9:00AM and 11:00AM and at a special service at 6:30PM also, at 6:30PM ~ Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday ~ Feb. 22nd, 23rd, & 24th.

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Our nursery is now open for both services.

Sunday Night Meals

Edgewater United Methodist Church hosted 129 people at the Sunday Night Meal on Dec. 20th. We will continue hosting the 3rd Sunday of the month at First UMC in NSB. The UMM will host the 5th Sunday meals, also at First UMC.

Please call the office if you would like to help out on these committees.