

# Sunday, December 26th "After Christmas"

John 1:1-14; Colossians 3:12-17 11:00 a.m. Worship Rev. Mitch Miller

This will be a special day of worship as we celebrate the Birth of Jesus Christ. We encourage everyone to come dressed casually, perhaps even in pajamas. Everyone should come expecting joyous singing and fellowship as we praise God for the gift of His Son.

#### **NEW TIMES!**

Beginning January 2nd our worship services will change!

Our early worship returns at 8:30 a.m. and our later service will begin 30 minutes earlier at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages will begin at 9:30 a.m.

A new worship service is starting Wednesday, January 12 immediately following Wednesday Night Dinner! Be sure to give them a try!

Childcare is provided for worship services with the exception of the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service.



#### The Real Meaning of Christmas

Two thousand years ago the King of Kings was born.

The Lamb of God later made to feel the thorn, If His words are accepted and not scorned, They will make us all reborn.

Through God's grace, Joseph and Mary; presented

A gift to the world that day, which we can all repay

by living the Ten Commandments each and every day.

Try to remember and keep in your heart and mind

Jesus' gospel while here on Earth, Redemption not a life lived in constant mirth. Peace on Earth, good will toward man Everyone should try it, whenever they can.

The Lord gave us the option and choice of 'free will'

Now it's up to us to fit the bill.

So when you're Christmas shopping for family and friends, and money is tight at both ends, Remember that the greatest gift of all is your love of Jesus in the manger stall.

-A Christmas Poem by Joseph P. Martino

Come and share the season



## We Invite You to Join Us for

# Advent and Christmas 2021

## The Santa Fe Way



# Friday, November 26th 6:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Advent Day of Prayer

Our seasonal Praver Davs have become essential for the spiritual wellbeing of our souls. This day only offers time for private contémplátion and hands—on interaction with various prayer practices; no experience necessary!

#### Saturday, November 27th

9:00 a.m.-12:00pm "Decking the Halls"

Decorating the church for **Christmas** 

This annual event gives the opportunity for everyone to come help decoraté the chúrch in preparation for the Christmas celebration.

#### Sunday, November 28th "What Are You Waiting For?"

Jeremiah 33:14-16' Luke 21:25-

11:00 a.m. Worship "Hanging of the Greens" Rev. Laurel Cockrill

Special worship event with music and scripture as we decorate the sanctuary and explain the meaning behind the decorations. The Children will have a special role in the service.



# Sunday, December 5th "Prepare the Way"

Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 3:1-6 11:00 a.m. Worship Rev. Mitch Miller

# Saturday, December 11th 8:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

Advent Retreat

Advent is a time of waiting. "While We Wait" is an opportunity to be intentional about taking time away from our busy schedules for renewal; a time to focus on the coming of the Christ child. As we worship, fellowship, and pray we will draw strength for the journey. Please join us! Light breakfast, lunch, and all materials provided.

## **Sunday, December 12th** "Good News of Great Joy"

Zephaniah 3:14-20; Luke 3:7-18 Rev. Laurel Cockrill

## **Sunday, December 19th** "A Child Changes Everything"

Micah 5:2-5a; Luke 1:39-55 11:00 a.m. Worship Lessons and Carols Choir Ensemble Rev. Mitch Miller

Join us for a special worship service featuring both Scripture and Music. Traditional carols, Anthems, contemporary Christmas songs will be intermingled with the traditional Scripture readings of the season.

### Sunday, December 19th

4:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling

Meet at the church before going caroling then pizza & salad together äfterwards.



#### Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup> 'Into the Light"

Luke 2:1-20; Isaiah 9:2-7 5:00 p.m. Family Service Rev. Mitch Miller

This service will be a Celebration of Christ's Birth for the whole family, it will include a special telling of the Nativity Story, Candle Light singing, and the Celebration of the Lord's Supper

> 11:00 p.m. "Into the Light"

Luke 2:1-20; Isaiah 9:2-7 Christmas Éve Vigil with Chancel Ensemble Rev. Mitch Miller

This service will resemble a more traditional intimate candle light service with the Lord's Supper as we prepare and await the arrival of Christmas Day and the celebrate the entrance of Light of the World with the birth of Jesus Christ.