

First Christian Church

December 18, 2022
4th Sunday of Advent

Marshall Missouri
Minister- Rev. Randal DeMasters

10:00 AM

Welcome Song	“Mary’s Boy Child”	Praise Band
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Lighting of the Advent Candle

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn	“O Little Town of Bethlehem”	Blue # 96
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O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep the Angels keep Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given
So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of His Heaven.
No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him still, The dear Christ enters in.

Invocation and Lord’s Prayer *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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen*

Invitation to Communion and Communion Prayer

Holy Communion
*The celebration of the Lord’s Supper is the central focus of our faith and worship together.
All who believe in Jesus Christ are invited to partake in the sacraments.*

Offering Statement/ Prayer of Dedication

Good News for the Young at Heart

Sermon	Rev. Randal DeMasters
Scripture	Isaiah 7: 10-16, Romans 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-25

Invitation
Any person desiring to profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, or to transfer their church membership to this congregation, is now invited forward.

Closing Hymn	“Go Tell It On the Mountain”	Blue # 107
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Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born

While shepherds kept their watching, O'er silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens, There shone a Holy light
Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born

The shepherds feared and trembled, When, lo! Above the Earth
Rang out the angel chorus, That hailed our Savior's birth
Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born

Down in a lowly manger, Our humble Christ was born
And brought us all salvation, That blessed Christmas morn

Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born

Benediction

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please take a moment to fill out a provided “Thinking of You” card for our members who are unable to attend our service, and place them in the offering plates as you leave the sanctuary. This week we will remember **Betty McDevitt** . You may also mail directly to the following address: **The Living Center 2305 Linden Tree ParkwayMarshall, MO 65340**

If you would like to remember a loved one with a Poinsettia, please bring it into the Church office by December 22nd with a note that has the person/persons you are remembering, and the donating family. Any color and size is fine. Please pick them back up after the Christmas service if you would like to take them home.

Our **Christmas Fellowship Dinner** will be next Sunday, December 18th with Turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, green beans, corn and rolls being served. Please bring a Dessert or salad to share.

Tomorrow, December 19, is our day to ring the **Salvation Army Bell** in front of Wal-Mart and we have the spots of Noon, 3:00, 4:00 and 6:00 left to fill! Please contact Hope at the Church office if you are willing to help.

Attendance: December 11
10:00 am Worship 65

Upcoming Serving Schedule
12/18 TBA

BIRTHDAYS

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| 12/18 Karolyn Caldwell | 12/21 Emily Kueker | 12/24 Carolyn Buck |
| 12/19 Madison Gaba | 12/22 Leslie Coslet | 12/24 Seth Cline |
| 12/20 Jill Buck | 12/22 Linda Dryer | 12/24 Kevin Dryer |
| 12/20 Meg Kissner | 12/23 Amanda McCord | |

ANNIVERSARIES

12/23 Todd & Christy Marshall

PRAYER LIST

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| Ayden Wright | Helen Merchant | Alisa Smith | Shirley Kueker |
| Pat Krause | Brad Berlin | Vic Hessel | Chris Layton |
| Jo Nell Fizer | | | |

For those who wish to give offering, an offering plate/box has been placed on tables in the Sunroom and entryway into the Sanctuary. You may also give online via “Givelify”. Thank you for coming today.

