

PRELUDE Christmas Medley	Deacon Springer, Cello
WELCOME & LIFE TOGETHER	Mackenzie Jager
ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING	The Vinsel Family
CHORAL INTROIT Rejoice, Rejoice VENI EMMANUEL	Chapel Choir
*CALL to WORSHIP Great are the works of the Lord They are pondered by all who delight in them Glorious and majestic are his deeds And his righteousness endures forever He provided redemption for his people He ordained his covenant forever	Mackenzie Jager and Jamie Bishop
CALL to CONFESSION PRAYER of CONFESSION O God, you make covenants with us and never break them. We find it much harder to keep our word. We offer promises we don’t intend to keep, and we make deals that we intend to break. All too often we are not trustworthy—not to you, not to our neighbors, and not even to those we love the most. Have mercy on us for the pain that we cause. Forgive us again, Lord Jesus, for all the ways we fall short of your grace, and lead us as people ready to walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.	
ASSURANCE of PARDON The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep us in eternal life. Amen.	
PASSING of the PEACE	
*SONG of the DAY Now Thank We All Our God, No. 555	Congregational Singing
FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Mark 2:13–17	Jamie Bishop
<i>Children depart to Sunday School</i>	
WORD in SONG Watchman, Tell Us of the Night Crawford R. Thoburn	Chapel Choir
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 17:1–8	Rev. Trey Haddon
MESSAGE Covenant	Rev. Trey Haddon
*HYMN Great Is Thy Faithfulness, No. 276	Congregational Singing
OFFERING Offertory Doxology Prayer of Thanksgiving	Rev. Trey Haddon
PRAYERS of the PEOPLE	Mackenzie Jager
*HYMN Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed, No. 499	Congregational Singing
*BENEDICTION	Rev. Trey Haddon
POSTLUDE	Kevin Chunko

* **We invite you to stand as you are able**

Mark 2:13–17

¹³Jesus went out again beside the sea; the whole crowd gathered around him, and he taught them. ¹⁴As he was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

¹⁵And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples—for there were many who followed him.

¹⁶When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they said to his disciples, “Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹⁷When Jesus heard this, he said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

Genesis 17:1–8

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.”

³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴“As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. ⁸And I will give to you, and to your offspring after you, the land where you are now an alien, all the land of Canaan, for a perpetual holding; and I will be their God.”

Watchman, Tell Us of the Night

Crawford R. Thoburn

Watchman, tell us of the night,
What its signs of promise are.
Traveler, o’er yon mountain’s height,
See that glory beaming star.
Watchman, does its beauteous ray
Aught of joy or hope foretell?
Traveler, yes, it brings the day,
Promised day of Israel.

Watchman, tell us of the night;
Higher yet that star ascends.
Trav’ler, blessedness and light,
Peace and truth its course portends.
Watchman, will its beams alone
Gild the spot that gave them birth?
Trav’ler, ages are its own;
See, it bursts o’er all the earth.

Watchman, tell us of the night,
For the morning seems to dawn.
Trav’ler, darkness takes its flight,
Doubt and terror are withdrawn.
Watchman, let thy wand’rings cease;
Hie thee to thy quiet home.
Trav’ler, lo! the Prince of Peace,
Lo! the Son of God is come!

Advent Adult Education Classes

Join Pastor Trey for a four-week Advent study

COMING UP:

- **December 11:** Prophets Advent Study
- **December 18:** Preparation Advent Study

MISSIONS

REVERSE ADVENT COMMUNITY MISSION

During this season of Advent, we invite you to make a donation to help those in need. Beginning Sunday, November 27, there will be a donation area outside of the sanctuary doors.

Suggested items for donation include:

socks, men's and women's gloves, men's and women's hats, peanut butter, canned tuna, canned corn, soup cans with pull tab, boxes of mac and cheese, cups of Ramen noodles, chapstick, cans of Vienna sausage, canned potatoes, disposable razors, cereal, canned or packets of chicken, shaving cream, bags of rice, deodorant, Vaseline, toothpaste, hand warmers, hot chocolate packets.

Please ensure all food donations are non-perishable and sealed.

For more information, please pick up a flyer in the south entrance.

EVENTS COMING UP

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

ADVENT DINNER & CONCERT: CENTRAL ILLINOIS BRASS BAND

Advent Dinner served at 5:30 PM. Concert begins at 7:00 PM

Dinner tickets: \$15 Adults, \$8 Children 12 and under.

We will also be accepting donations of warm winter coats.

Men's and Women's and Boy's and Girl's are needed.

Blankets may also be donated.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

GINGERBREAD BUILD

You and your family are invited to our Gingerbread build! Saturday December 10 from 9-11AM. All supplies will be provided. We will also have hot cocoa and treats. We ask that you only bring an item for our food pantry. Bring the whole family! We hope to see you there!

POINSETTIA SALE

Poinsettias are now on sale. \$15.00 each. Please see Kim in the office to make your purchase or call 309-828-6297.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christmas Eve Service is at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

Christmas Day Service is at 9:00 AM in the Chapel.

HAPPENING EVERY WEEK

SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

8:00 am: Chapel Worship

10:30 am: Sanctuary Service

(Children will depart for Sunday School during service)

EVERY SUNDAY

9:00 am: ACE (Adult Christian Education)

9:15 am: Sunday Brunch Grab & Go

3:00 pm: FTC Robotics

Lego League Robotics

EVERY TUESDAY

8:30 am: Morning Men's Bible Study

6:00 pm: FTC Robotics

EVERY WEDNESDAY

6:00 pm: *K-6 Kid's Min (90 minutes)

6:30 pm: Chapel Choir Rehearsal

**Kid's Min is on break until January 11, 2023*

EVERY THURSDAY

11:30 am: Thursday Prayer Lunch

EVERY SATURDAY

10:00 am: *FTC Robotics

**Robotics will not meet Christmas Eve or Christmas Day*



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Second Sunday

Covenant

Rev. Trey Haddon

Sunday, December 4, 2022

10:30 AM Service