



Tippecanoe Presbyterian Church

"A Community Of Many Faithing Communities Where All Belong!"

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Welcome To Worship

December 24, 2018

5:30 p.m.

*Christmas Eve Worship:
Walking Through Bethlehem...And Beyond!*



Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.

Glad Tidings of Peace!

We begin with music & fellowship moving directly into our worship this night!

Please settle in by our 5:30 time.

~Madeline Brings Us into Worship~

Words of Welcome by Pastor Karen to come!

~GATHERING HYMN: JOY TO THE WORLD” Hymnal # 134

~AN INVITATION TO GIVE YOURSELF TO WORSHIP THIS HOLY NIGHT~

“On That Night So Long Ago...This Night...It’s As If Time Stands Still...”

~"O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL" Hymnal #133

~Let Time Stand Still~

~LIGHTING THE ADVENT & CHRIST CANDLES

*After the lighting of the Advent Candles and the Christ Candle,
let us read these words together as prompted....*

With the coming of this light there is born in us once again the power of that night!
This story heals the past into a new future...in ways we never could have conceived of on our own!

We are renewed and made able to walk our lives in new directions.

We are made able to resist our usual ways of thinking...about ourselves and our world!

We find ourselves in Love, Hope, Joy, Peace! We are going to make it through!

Like the Wise Ones, we will not return home the same way!

~FIRST Bible Wisdom Teaching: Luke 2:1-7

~"AWAY IN A MANGER" Hymnal #115

~Let Time Stand Still~

~SECOND Bible Wisdom Teaching: Luke 2:8-12

~"THE FIRST NOWELL" Hymnal #147 Verses 1, 4

~Let Time Stand Still~

~THIRD Bible Wisdom Teaching: Luke 2:13-20

~"ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH" Hymnal #113

~MESSAGE~

“Through and Beyond”

Rev. Karen Hagen

***“Cause every heart longs for more than tinsel.
Something more than just a holiday.
Come and celebrate the baby King.
...Let’s take a walk...***

***You don’t have to travel anywhere.
Faith and Hope and Love will bring you there.
Bring you there.***

***Take a walk through Bethlehem.
Come and kneel before the child.
Good News for everyone.
Walk through Bethlehem.”***

~Affirmation of Faith: "The Work of Christmas" by Howard Thurman, adapted

When the star in the sky is gone,
When the Kings and Princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flocks,
The work of Christmas begins in us as we live newly storied lives of JOY, and we seek...
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To teach the nations,
To offer small and big acts of kindness and laugh out loud together,
To bring “Christ” to all,
To Make Music In The Heart!

~Prayers of Peace and Justice and The Lord’s Prayer

*~ Our Offering As the plate is passed, please listen once through, then let us sing:
"O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM" Hymnal #121 Verses 1, 3*

~“SILENT NIGHT” Hymnal #122 Sing all 4 verses, hum a last time
As you sing, please lift your candle’s light up in a gentle arc of motion....rock-a-bye Jesus!

~HOLDING THE SILENCE....A HOLY HUSH AS TIME STANDS STILL~
TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRISTMAS JOY WITH US AS WE WALK OUR LIVES INTO...
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

~BENEDICTION~

You are always welcome at Tippe!
Many ways to participate! Many ways to belong!

Please join us on:

- ❖ Sundays for progressive Holy Worship 9:30am,
- ❖ Monday evening’s “Sanctuary Time of Belonging” 6:30pm (after the holy-days), or
- ❖ Wednesday mornings at 10:30am for Shared Wisdom Circle in the parlor.

*No Christmas Day worship at Tippe.
Come Sunday, Dec. 30th: Reflective Worship for the New Year!*

Join Us on January 6th @ 9:30am for our Epiphany Celebration!

A special free concert by
The Garlic Mustard Pickers...
followed by An Epiphany Lunch and Cake and the
Crowning of this year’s Wise Ones.

All Are Welcome!

Upcoming at Living Waters
Contemplative Life
Center:
Meditative Song Circle
and Reflection by
Candlelight,
First Fridays of each
month, 6:30pm in sanctuary.

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