# ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY - DECEMBER 20, 2015

"...the angel said to them, Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

Luke 2:10-11 ~ NIV

Out of respect for God's House and in courtesy to others, please silence all cell phones and pagers.

Welcome & Information	Yolanda Sanders
Worship Leaders	Shared
Opening Prayer	Carol Reed
Songs of Praise (standing)	Joyful, Joyful We Adore You
	Hark, the Herald Angels Sing
Christmas Program	Billy Fields - Silent Night
	Allen Carlson - Celebration Song
	21st Century Praise Dancers - Conqueror
	Adult Choir - Christmas Star
	Do You Have Room? Emmanuel
Scripture	Luke 2:1-18
Scripture Reader	Sterling Bolden
Message	"The Emmanuel Announcement"
Sermon Speaker	Pastor Willard High
Read in Unison	Shepherd's Mission Statement
The Giving of Our Offering	Offertory Team
Offertory Prayer	
Songs of Praise (standing)	Joy to the World
Benediction	



# Wedding Anniversaries

Dolphus & Barbara Williamson - 57 years - December 20th Albert & Lenora Hill - 66 years - December 24th

#### **TODAY'S SERMON**

Today's sermon given by Pastor Willard High is entitled, "The Emmanuel Announcement."

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMON**

Next Sunday's sermon, given by Pastor Willard High is entitled, "The Confirmation of Emmanuel." The key scripture is Luke 2:22-40.

### **FUTURE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Holy Communion – Next Sunday, December 27<sup>th</sup>

#### SHARED CHRISTMAS MEAL TODAY

Join us today following worship for our shared Christmas Meal. Please follow the directions of the ushers for seating and meal service. The recommended meal donation of \$5.00 applies to those 13 years of age and above. If you cannot afford the donation, we will waive it. God bless you as we spend time in dining, hospitality and fellowship.

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR TODAY'S MEAL**

Please follow the instructions of our Hospitality Staff regarding seating and service of the meal. Do not sit at the "reserved" table unless instructed to do so.

# **CHRISTMAS MEAL MENU**

Baked & Fried Chicken, Grilled White Fish, Beef Brisket (Choice of Two Meats) Mostacholi, Vesuvio Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Salad Rolls & Butter Hot & Cold Drinks Assorted Cakes

# **TITHES & OFFERINGS - TAXABLE YEAR 2015**

Thank you for your donations during the year. All offerings and gifts must be given or postmarked by December 31, 2015 to be allowed by the IRS in 2015. We will provide a receipt detailing your offerings in January 2016.

#### **LOST AND FOUND ITEMS**

Mrs. Ula Hicks is in charge of our Lost & Found Ministry. She has a number of lost items. See Mrs. Hicks today if you think you lost something.

### FIRST QUARTER 2016 WORSHIP SCHEDULES

The First Quarter 2016 Worship Schedule will be completed and distributed during the coming week. Participants please make your preparations diligently and prayerfully, as you always do. May God make our worship in the new year pleasing to him.

# **SNACK DONATION SCHEDULE**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Donations by families last names beginning (A-L)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday anyone may donate cookies and drinks
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Christmas Meal
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday anyone may donate cookies and drinks
- "If many will give just a little, we will have more than enough."

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERINGS

We will update you on giving during future town hall meetings.

#### YOUR CHURCH ELDERS ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU...

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#### Bulletin Items

Chicago

Andrea Saunders alsize12@yahoo.com (The deadline for submitting bulletin items is Monday)

# **Announcement Bulletin The Shepherd's Community Church** 10 W. 150th Street **Harvey, IL 60426**



Our mission statement -"We strive to be a spiritually sound, friendly and nurturing fellowship; using our gifts to serve our neighbor, proclaim the gospel and promote reconciliation."

Sunday December 20, 2015