# ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 29, 2015

"In you, LORD my God, I put my trust. I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me."

Psalm 25:1-2 ~ NIV

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

Musical Prelude	Don Gibson
Worship Leaders	Shared Leadership
Opening Prayer	Elder Dolphus Williamson
Songs of Praise (standing)	You Are Good
	Above All
Announcements	Loretta English
Intercessory Prayer	Associate Pastor Eugene Dumas
Church Life	Ministry Updates
Special Music	Tramaine Hawkins (Recorded)
Selection	"Amazing Grace"
Scripture	Psalm 25:1-10
Scripture Reader	Larnell Dickerson
Message	"Our Obedience & God's Mercy"
Sermon Speaker	Associate Pastor Barbara Williamson
Read in Unison	Shepherd's Mission Statement
The Giving of Our Offering	Offertory Team
Offertory Prayer	
Songs of Praise (standing)	The Family Prayer Song
Benediction	



# Wedding Anniversaries

There are no known wedding anniversaries to announce at this time.

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

Today's sermon given by Associate Pastor Barbara Williamson is entitled, "Our Obedience & God's Mercy."

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

Next Sunday's sermon, given by Pastor Willard High is entitled, "Preparing the Way of the Lord." The key scripture is Isaiah 40:1-11.

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

- Elder's Meeting Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Christmas Program & Meal Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

#### YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

Christian Education Classes will be held next Sunday, December 6th. Also please note that classes will only be held once in the month of December. Thank You.

~ Christian Education Teachers

# **PRAYER VIGIL**

The Prayer Vigil sponsored by the Prayer Partners will take place on Saturday, December 12, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. in the Antioch Room. Looking at the world and certain aspects of our life, prayer is needed. We want the entire congregation to join us in prayer, whether in your homes or at the church.

#### WE HAVE ENTERED THE ADVENT SEASON

The four Sundays prior to Christmas are known in the Church as the Season of Advent. Advent means "to come to" or roughly defined as "to appear". The Sundays are sometimes celebrated by the lighting of four candles in succession and a final white candle at the end of the season, representing Jesus. This celebration reminds us that God planned the coming of the Word of God from his side to be born in the flesh as our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. This gives us all something for which to be truly thankful.

# **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY**

We will have a Congregational Meeting today at 12:30 pm in the Sanctuary. This is the time to discuss concrete plans and possibilities for 2016. Please stay and participate in the discussion.

# AMENDED 4TH QUARTER 2015 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

If you serve in any area of the Worship Team, you should have received an amended worship schedule for the last four Sundays of 2015. Worship participants - see Pastor High if you need a printed version of the schedule.

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

Thank you for your donations during the year. As the end of the year approaches a reminder all gifts for the tax year 2015 must be given or postmarked by December 31, 2015. All financial gifts given to The Shepherd's Community Church are tax deductible. We will provide a receipt detailing your offerings in January 2016.

#### **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM & MEAL**

On Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup> during worship we will thank God in song, music, dance and drama for the gift of his only begotten Son, Jesus. Worship will be followed by a catered meal in the Fellowship Hall. We recommend a donation of \$5.00/adult to help offset the price of the meal. If you cannot it we waive the fee we want all to attend and rejoice in what God has done for all mankind. You can help us plan for the meal by having each head of household complete the survey included in your bulletin.

#### **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 Donations by families last names beginning (M-Z)
- 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.

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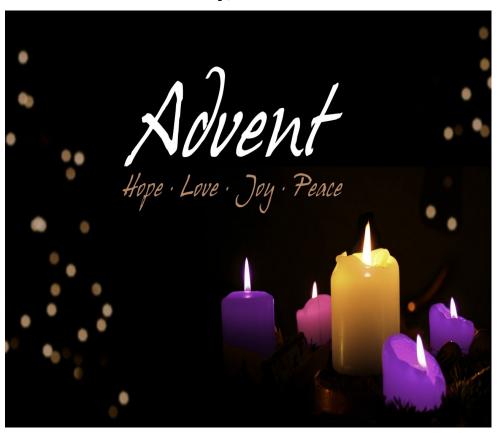
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#### Bulletin Items

Chicago

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

# Announcement Bulletin of 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 November 29, 2015

10:30AM