

ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 27, 2015

"When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, Every first-born male is to be consecrated to the Lord)."

Luke 2:22 - 23 ~ 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	Barbara Williamson
Songs of Praise (standing)	<i>Go! Tell it on the Mountain</i> <i>O Come all ye Faithful</i>
Announcements	Andrea Smith
Intercessory Prayer	Associate Pastor Eugene Dumas
Church Life	Holy Communion
Special Music	Shepherd's Adult Choir <i>Mary Did You Know?</i>
Scripture	Luke 2:22-40
Scripture Reader	Ula Hicks
Message	"The Confirmation of Emmanuel"
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)	<i>Away in a Manger</i>
Benediction	



Wedding Anniversaries

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

TODAY'S SERMON

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERMON

Next Sunday's sermon, given by Pastor Willard High is entitled, "An Appointment with the King." The key scripture is Matthew 2:1-9.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Board of Elder's Meeting – Wednesday, January 6th at 10:00 am

HOLY COMMUNION TODAY

We will join in Holy Communion today during Church Life. Paul admonished us to remember Jesus' sacrifice each time we come together for communion. Today we follow this command realizing the child we just celebrated in Christmas, will grow up and one day die for our sins.

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION!

Attention all parents and students! Christian Education Classes will resume on the 1st Sunday in the 'New Year' on January 3rd, 2016. Thanks.

~ Christian Education Teachers

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM THANKS

Thanks to all who participated in the special worship program presented last Sunday. Your hard work, God-given talent and dedication made the day very special day for members and guests alike. May our God continue to give you energy, discernment and the gifts necessary to serve him and set his worshiper's hearts on fire to serve the Living God.

~ Pastor Willard High

CHRISTMAS MEAL THANKS

Thanks to our Hospitality Staff including setup & cleanup personnel, decorators, cooks, servers and ushers. The Christmas Meal was delicious and with approximately 140 served - very well organized. You make us feel special!

FIRST QUARTER 2016 WORSHIP SCHEDULES

If you are a regular contributor to the worship program by now you should have received the First Quarter 2016 Worship Schedule by e-mail attachment. Those without internet access may receive a printed copy from Pastor High.

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.

SNACK DONATION SCHEDULE

1st Sunday Donations by families last names beginning (A-L)

2nd Sunday anyone may donate cookies and drinks

3rd Sunday Donations by families last names beginning (M-Z)

4th 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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Lost and Found

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Bulletin Items

Andrea Saunders alsizel2@yahoo.com (The deadline for submitting bulletin items is Monday)

Announcement Bulletin

of

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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 27, 2015