



Greeting & Announcements

Rev. Charlie Soper, Pastor

Call to Worship

Leader: In the midst of the congregation I will praise you. **People: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to Christ's holy name!** Leader: I will extol you, my Lord and King, and bless your name forever and ever. **People: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and Christ's greatness is unsearchable.**

Hymn Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates #213 (vs. 1,3,4)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Richard & Joan Schwering

Opening Prayer Susan Kuhn

O God, whose will is justice for the poor and peace for the afflicted, let your herald's urgent voice pierce our hardened hearts and announce the dawn of your kingdom. Before the advent of the One who baptizes with the fire of the Holy Spirit, let our complacency give way to conversion, oppression to justice, and conflict to acceptance of one another in Christ. We ask this through the One whose coming is certain, whose day draws near: your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Scripture 2 Samuel 7:11b-16

"The LORD declares to you that the LORD himself will establish a house for you: ¹² When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. ¹⁴ I will be his father, and he will be my son. When he does wrong, I will punish him with a rod wielded by men, with floggings inflicted by human hands. ¹⁵ But my love will never be taken away from him, as I took it away from Saul, whom I removed from before you. ¹⁶ Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever."

Special Music

Scripture Luke 1:26-38

²⁶ In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."

²⁹ Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. ³⁰ But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

³⁴ "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"

³⁵ The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. ³⁶ Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. ³⁷ For no word from God will ever fail."

³⁸ "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

Message Our King

Prayers & Lord's Prayer Please share your concerns in the comment area

Hymn Joy to the World #246 (vs. 1-3)

Benediction & Postlude

Thanks to : Diane Soper & Sandy Grimes ~ Music

Upcoming Schedule

Sundays 10am Worship online Look for link on Facebook or on our church webpage – <u>www.palmyranjumc.org</u> Also we are recording the service and making DVDs. If you know someone who would benefit from receiving one to watch please notify the church office.

Sundays 10:30 am In-person Sunday School

Monday November 30 10:30 am Monday Morning Check-In. Via Zoom. Link will be sent by email.

Wednesday December 2 7 pm Wednesday Night Discussion Group. Join together via Zoom with folks from Asbury UMC for a spirited discussion. Link will be sent out by email.

Thursday December 3 7 pm Men's Group. Via Zoom. Link will be sent by email.

Thursday December 3 7 pm Bell Rehearsal. If you are interested in ringing bells, please contact Diane Soper.

Saturday December 5 10am – Noon FOOD PANTRY Please help get the word out to neighbors & friends who may need help! We have plenty of food to be passed out in a grab-n-go!

If you have an idea of how we can connect or do something to improve what we are doing please get in touch with me. Together we can be strong in faith, support of one another and make a difference in our community in the name of Jesus.

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PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY OF GOD

SHUT INS: Florence Wallin, & Nancy Thomas.

<u>ONGOING PRAYERS</u>: (members) Ginny Price, Kathy Bohley, Donna Undercuffler, Richard Taylor, Neil Sellars, Mary Lou & Nat Hulton, Ann Magonigal, Ella Kennedy, Jo Malessa, Mary Griscom, Bob Pry, Joy Heather, Kate Brown, Phil Hutchison, Mary Lou Craig, Bryan Campion, Marilyn Bilotti, Ray Schill, the Scheffler family, Mary Jo Guidry, Debbie Rabil

<u>ONGOING PRAYERS: (friends & relatives)</u>: Shirley Lee & Rick (Ginny Price's aunt & brother), Denise, David O'Brien, Bill, & Jim Stewart (Jo Malessa's friends & relatives), Don Rinck (The Rinck's son), Theodore Lehmann & Christine Giebel (Carol Fenton's relatives), Maryann & Samantha (the Guidry's friend & relative), Laura Klaus (Cliff Mason's sister), Ellen Rambow & Alexis Ciccanti (Pat Rambow's relatives), Bill Conley (the Cook's son-in-law), Jason (Letha McClellan's friend), Carol (Don Bird's mother), Robert (Ann Wright's son), Michelle Huang (the Hancock's relative), Richard Williams (Devon's husband), Thomas, Mitchell, Rachel, & Trish Coslove (Julie Scheffler's relatives & friend), Joyce Brown (Beth Pelkey's mom), Harry (Tim Weiler's dad), Frank & Russ (Ursula Weed's father & friend), Lily Thorn's husband, Irene Bassow (Cheryl Quickel's mother-in-law), Jeri (The Hulton's daughter), Patrick (Vickie Bennett's friend), Amanda Riley (Lisa Steven's daughter), Chelsea Kuhn (the Kuhn's granddaughter), Gleason family, Marlene & Roseann (Bunny Zimmerman's friend & sister), Angie & family (Vinnie Verrico's relatives), Becky (Jere Hopkins-Doerr's niece)

If you have a prayer request, please email the church office at epworth.palmyra@yahoo.com.

Be Smart! Be Safe!