

# Fourth Sunday of Advent

## Love

December 18, 2016

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER.....Pastor and Congregation

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH.....Jean Maness, Sharon, Shannon, Blair, Jeana

CALL TO WORSHIP ... "Hallelujah" .....John Beard, Devin Blake, David Kellis

GOSPEL LESSON ... *John 1:14 and 3:16-17* ..... Molly Abbott

**<sup>14</sup> And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us,  
and we beheld his glory,  
the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,  
full of grace and truth.**

**<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world,  
that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish,  
but have everlasting life.**

**<sup>17</sup> For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;  
but that the world through him might be saved.**

HYMN ... "The First Nowell" ...*vs. 1, 2 and 4*..... 124

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE..... Brandi Powers

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Lord God, as we prepare our hearts to receive the One whom you are sending,  
forgive us for all the times we have missed seeing you in our midst, for all the times we  
have doubted your presence, and for all the times we have failed to help others find  
their way. Forgive us, in the name of Jesus, the One who is coming. Amen.**

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.**

OFFERTORY HYMN... "It Came upon the Midnight Clear" ...*vs. 1 and 4*..... 132

OFFERTORY PRAYER..... Usher

OFFERTORY

INVITATION TO WORSHIP .....Reggie Jackson

Come, let us worship with story and song;

For with the birth of the Christ Child,

Our God came to live among us;

**Emmanuelle, God with us.**

Come, let us worship.

## *Go Sing It on the Mountain*

*by Pepper Choplin*

Rise, O People, and Bring Good News

A Child is Gonna Come

*Solo...Julie McCaskill*

Call His Name Jesus

Angel Band

*Trio...Pat McBride, Julie McCaskill, Pat Morgan*

Hush, Little Baby

*Duet...John Beard and Julie McCaskill*

Go Sing It on the Mountain

Scottish Worship Carol

Joyous Nowell to the World

BENEDICTION..... Rev. Powers

## CHOIR MEMBERS

Julie McCaskill

Pat McBride

John Beard

Dwayne Blake

Betsy Crisco

Pat Morgan

Jonathan Morgan

Dave Buckland

Nancy Jenkins

Phyllis Morgan

Tim McCaskill

Reggie Jackson

Carolyn Brown

Mary Beth McCaskill

Max McCaskill

Beverly Saunders

Devin Blake

Sound...David Kellis

Director...Rebecca Blake

**USHERS**

TODAY ..... Eugene Crisco's Team  
 NEXT SUNDAY ..... Jeff Robinson's Team

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

TODAY ..... Tina Cripps

**CALENDAR**

**TODAY**  
 6:00 p.m. .... Children's Christmas Program  
 Immediately afterwards ..... Church-wide Christmas Party  
*Please bring Christmas goodies to share!*

**MONDAY**  
 7:00 p.m. .... Deacons' Meeting

**WEDNESDAY**  
 6:00 ..... Christmas Caroling  
*Pizza before we go!*

**SATURDAY**  
 5:30 p.m. .... Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

**NEXT SUNDAY...CHRISTMAS DAY!**  
 10:30 a.m..... Informal Worship Service

**PRAYER LIST**

|   |                    |                  |                     |                |
|---|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| <b>Church family:</b><br>Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Jack Boone, John & Alisa Beard, Larry Wilson, Rodney Loflin, Karen Dailey, Barbara Lynthacum, Gary McCaskill |                    |                  | Ray, Frances Hudson | daughter       |
| <b>At Home:</b> Helen Greene, Violet Epps, Irene Warner, Florence Cagle   |                    |                  | Paul/Thelma Hussey  | sister         |
| <b>Friends and Relatives of:</b><br>Molly/Wayne Abbott  |                    |                  | Janie Rumbly        | sister-in-law  |
|   | Monnie Jenkins     | friend           | Meryl Johnson       | friend         |
|   | Juanita King       | friend           | Mildred Hunsucker   | brother        |
|   | Tony Lawson        | friend           | Harold Johnson      | mother         |
|   | Toni Atcheson      | sister           | Marian Jackson      | friend         |
|   | Cassie Jenkins     | granddaughter    | Benny McBride       | nephew         |
|   | Martha Garner      | sister           | Bob Moore           | niece          |
|   | Tammy Laprade      | sister           | Pam Morgan          | Nancy's father |
|   | Audrey Grace Bryan | friend           | John Moore          | friend         |
|   | Henrietta Garner   | friend           | Cristie Thomas      | friend         |
|   | Retha Brooks       | Sue Ann's mother | Beth Holt           | friend         |
| Dave/Barb Buckland  | Faye               | sister           | Misty Morgan        | friend         |
| Jane Covington  | Pete Thomas        | brother-in-law   | Melissa Nelson      | grand-daught.  |
|   | Lee Kasik          | grandson-in-law  | Iris Luquire        | sister-in-law  |
|   | Lee Hurley         | cousin           | Jo Brooks           | friend         |
|   | Wes Key            | uncle            | J.D. Thompson       | nephew         |
|   | Shelly Hawthorne   | friend           | Barbara Lynthacum   | daughter       |
| Tim and Tammy Dunn  | Todd Reece         | friend           | Melissa Green       | aunt           |
|   | Scott Reece        | friend           | Helen Mabe          | friend         |
|   | Lynn Saunders      | cousin           | Carol Luther        | friend         |
| Ernest , Karen Dailey   | Judy and Estella   | daughters        | Polly King          | friend         |
| Garrett Gooch   | Mary Chunn         | grandmother      | Tammy Parker        | friend         |
|   |                    |                  | Pat/Bob Morgan      | friend         |
|   |                    |                  | Jeff Robinson       | friend         |
|   |                    |                  | Nancy Ruppert       | sister         |
|   |                    |                  | Barbara Smith       | friend         |
|   |                    |                  | Jesse Wallace       | friend         |
|   |                    |                  | June Spears         | friend         |
|   |                    |                  | Marie Spoon         | sister         |
|   |                    |                  | Laura Wilson        | friend         |
| <b>Service Personnel:</b><br>Devin Hurley, Mark Davis, Dylan McCaskill, Christian Rush, Seth Spivey, Garrett Wallace, Chris Stuart  |                    |                  |                     |                |

*Our Love and Sympathy ...*

to John Beard and family at the loss of John's brother-in-law, Pat Jones

