

WEST BEND CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP
FOR CHRISTMAS DAY, DECEMBER 25, 2022

FIRST 15 MINUTES

OPENING SONG

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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GREETING TIME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

In Unison

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as
we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

UMH 230

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

*A Christmas Affirmation of Faith

“A Christmas Creed” (In Unison)

I believe in Jesus Christ and I
n the beauty of the gospel begun in Bethlehem.
I believe in the one whose spirit glorified a little town;
and whose spirit still brings music to persons all over
the world, in towns both large and small.
I believe in the one for whom the crowded inn could
find no room, and I confess that my heart still some-
times wants to exclude Christ from my life today.
I believe in the one who the rulers of the earth ignored
and the proud could never understand; whose life was

among common people,
whose welcome came from persons of hungry hearts.
I believe in the one who proclaimed
the love of God to be invincible:
I believe in the one whose cradle was a mother's arms,
whose modest home in Nazareth
had love for its only wealth,
who looked at persons and made them see what God's love
saw in them, who by love brought sinners back to purity,
and lifted human weakness up to meet the strength of God.
I confess my ever-lasting need of God:
The need of forgiveness for our selfishness and greed,
the need of new life for empty souls, the need of love for
hearts grown cold.
I believe in God who gives us the best of himself.
I believe in Jesus, the son of the living
God, born in Bethlehem this night,
for me and for the world.

(accessed: A Christmas Creed (prayer-and-prayers.info))

*HYMN OF PRAISE

UMH 220

“Angels From The Realms of Glory”

OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 61:1-3

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because
the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the
poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to
proclaim freedom for the captives and release from dark-
ness for the prisoners, 2 to proclaim the year of the Lord's
favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all
who mourn, 3 and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to
bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the
oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of
praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks
of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of
his splendor.

MESSAGE

Rev. Kari L. Howard

Today This Scripture Is Fulfilled
Series: The Promises of Christmas

*SONG OF DEDICATION

(UMH 224)

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

*THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

*RECESSIONAL “Joy To The World” UMH 246, vs.
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*Stand as you are able

MESSAGE NOTES:

Today is Pastor Kari's last day of preaching as West
Bend's Pastor. We love you and pray for God to continue
to bless you.

Thank You Notes

Dear West Bend Family,
Words cannot begin to thank you for the generous Christmas love offering you gave to me. It will be put to good use. Know that I have appreciate our years together and how we have grown together. I know that God still has great things in store for West Bend Church. Keep seeking His will for each of you and the church. You will be invmy prayers. May God bless and keep you always!
Pastor Kari

Dear West Bend Family,
Thank you for remembering me at Christmas. I really appreciate the gift! This is my 26th year working at West Bend Church. Time truly passes quickly. Merry Christmas to each of you!
Debra

Table of Grace News
We served 140 last week.
Christmas Gift for Jesus
Table of Grace is in need of a Christmas Miracle. Give a gift to Table of Grace to show the love of Jesus. A suggestion is to give a financial gift equal to one of your Christmas gifts to keep the grace going. Received: \$345 for Christmas so far!

- January Calender Additions**
- Add WinGs Meeting to Wednesday, January 4, at 6 PM.
 - Choir Practice Sundays at 9:15 AM.

Prayer List

Our Church Family
Jane Cox
Dave McGowan
Harold Hill
Paul Foust
Douglas McMasters
Tracy Lancaster & her parents

Our Family & Friends
Angie Toomes (Dare Campbell's daughter)
Karen Davis (Doris Davidson's daughter)
Cathy Moore (Welch's friend)
Jeffrey Sykes (Carol Petty's nephew)
Carl & Sue Starr (Lora Hill's parents)
Barbara Ingle (Tina Gunn's mother)
Lynn Foust
Boyd Delk
Jane Layne (Tom Morgan's sister)
Sheila Macon (Carol Petty's niece)

Assisted & Skilled Living Residents
***=Church Member**
Alpine:
***Juanita Porche (Harold Hill's mother)**
Clapp's:
***Daffie Branson**
Cross Roads:
Marie Caldwell (Carol Petty's sister)

Our Military
Kasey Ingold
Logan Morris
Veterans

Other Requests
Students
Church Growth
Our Church
Our Country
Revival
Wisdom & Discernment for the future

Prayer Requests will be left for 2 weeks unless notified otherwise.

Church Calendar
Sunday, December 25
10 AM Christmas Morning Service
Monday, December 26
Office Closed
Tuesday, December 27
TOG & Office Closed
Wednesday, December 28
11 AM Bulletin Deadline
Saturday, December 31
New Year's Eve
Sunday, January 1
10 AM Worship

Memorial Gifts
To the Budget in Memory of our mother, Margaret Davis, and father, Clarence Davis by Doug & Colleen Davis
To the Budget in Memory of Donald & Essie Robbins by Ken & Donna Robbins

Staff
Ministers
Reverend
Office Manager
Lay Leader
Janitor
Every Member
Rev. Kari L. Howard
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Bible Reading
Calendars for 2023
There are copies of Bible Reading Calendars for you to choose from for your daily Bible Reading next year. One is for the entire Bible and the other one is for the New Testament.

Budget Offering Needed
Weekly: \$2,529.00
Budget Offering Received
12/18: \$3,060.00
Sunday Worship Attendance
12/18: 49
Thank you for your gifts to the budget which helps the church keep going!

Worship Associates:
Musicians-April Brown,
Dan Leonard,
Choir, Handbells
Sound System-Richard Lanier
Power Point-Tina Gunn
Nursery/Children's Church-
Cedelle Troxler
Thank you for your service!

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