

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

Watchnight New Year's Eve

December 31, 2017 9:30 AM

WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Jon Hutchison

PRELUDE *Stude No. 1 Villalobos* N. SanchezTio/Guitar

CALL TO WORSHIP Doug Kramp

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God in the heights!

People: All the shining stars praise you, O God, for you commanded and they were created.

Leader: Praise the Lord from the earth, young men and women alike, old and young, together!

People: Let everyone praise the name of the Lord, for your glory is above earth and heaven

Leader: Let us worship God!

People: Let us worship God!

†OPENING HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* #451

†PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION Doug Kramp

Eternal God of the covenant, you have clothed your people with the garments of salvation, and covered them with the robe of righteousness. We praise your name for your work of redemption, sending us Jesus as the promise of peace. Hear our rejoicing as we sing hymns of thanksgiving; hear our prayers as we give voice to our inmost thoughts. Fill us with the presence of your living Spirit, and give us wisdom to live in the light of your gifts. Amen.

Praise Response *Emmanuel* On the wall

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

A COVENANT PRAYER IN THE WESLEYAN TRADITION #607

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* #216

SCRIPTURE READING Old Testament: Ecclesiastes 3:1-13 Doug Kramp
Response: **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MOMENT *Fum, Fum, Fum* Donna Bach
(On December Twenty-fifth)

MESSAGE "Placing Eternity Into Your Heart Rev. Jon Hutchison

RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *Prelude No. 5* N. SanchezTio/Guitar

†Doxology On the wall

†Prayer of Dedication

Eternal God of redemption, you bless your creation and it springs forth with beauty. You judge your people with righteousness and new life abounds. We bring you now the fruits of our labors. Bless the work of our hands, so that what we do reflects the radiance of your love. Fill us with your Holy Spirit; so that what we say proclaims to all people the new hope in Jesus. Amen.

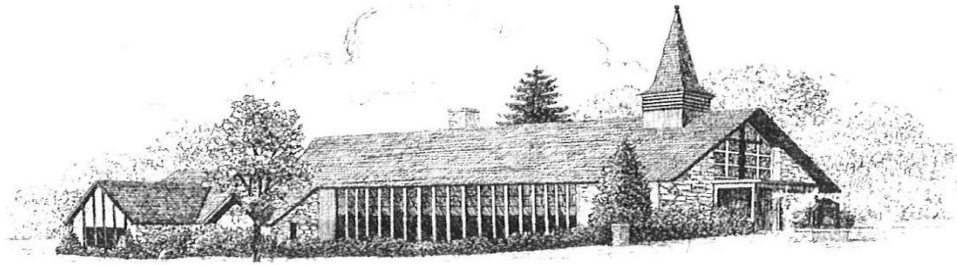
†CLOSING HYMN *Lead Me, Lord (Sing Twice)* #473

†BENEDICTION *Alleluia* All are invited to sing this praise to God.

POSTLUDE *Sing We Now of Christmas* Donna Bach

† Those who are able are requested to stand.

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Vision:

Living in the light of God's love and following Christ, we joyfully embrace the future as a welcoming multi-cultural church. We gather for worship, learning, spiritual growth and fellowship. We go out to serve, sharing the light of Christ by promoting justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with God.

(Adopted by the Wesley Church Council, April 14, 2013)

Sunday Morning Schedule

9:30 A.M. Worship

Fellowship Time Following

Sunday School 11:00A.M. - Spanish Service 11:30 A.M.

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Church Staff

Rev. Jon Hutchison -- Pastor

Gwen Cattron– Office Administrator

Nereyda SanchezTio – Music Director

Donna Bach – Organist

Erika Bringas & Santos Ortiz – Worship Multimedia

Omaira Mora – Lay Missioner

Rod Ball – Custodian

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