

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

DECEMBER 25, 2016

Worship – 10:30 a.m.

Fellowship – 11:30 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE Karen Goering Hostetler, Accompanist

*CANDLELIGHTING HYMN #212 *O come, all ye faithful*

WELCOME AND PRAYER Ruth Harder, Worship Leader

HYMN #210 *Good Christian friends, rejoice*

STORYTELLING

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN #197 *Angels we have heard on high*

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:46-55

SERMON *That's our story...* Aaron Barnhart

HYMN *My soul is filled with joy*

Congregation join in the refrain printed on next page**

Refrain

Soprano (Melody)

Em D G D G D

And ho - ly is your name through all gen - er - a - tions! Ev - er -

Alto

And ho - ly is your name through all gen - er - a - tions! Ev - er -

Tenor/Bass

And ho - ly is your name through all gen - er - a - tions! Ev - er -

G D Bm Bm7/A G Em

last - ing is your mer - cy to the peo - ple you have cho - sen, and

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last - ing is your mer - cy to the peo - ple you have cho - sen, and

D G D G D Final

ho - ly is your name.

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COMMUNITY BUILDING

SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the attendance register for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl at the front of the sanctuary.

OFFERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

*HYMN #318

Joy to the World

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.

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The Light Sculpture at the front of the sanctuary was built and donated to Rainbow in 1977 by Arlie Regier and Arlie's son, Paul.

Our New Year's Day worship service next Sunday will begin an hour later at 10:30 am, with New Year's cookies and treats to follow. If you have leftover treats or goodies from Christmas, please bring them to share on January 1!

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We wish everyone a merry, merry Christmas! We consider it a great joy and honor to seek the peace of the city alongside all of you. Let's keep welcoming one another in the spirit of Christ in the year ahead as we worship, serve, and learn together.

-Terry, Rosi, Renee, Ashton, and Ruth