

# WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

We Glorify God- Love People- Serve the World

December 25, 2016

Prelude Jeanean Kimball

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Marc

\* Hymn #273 Good Christian Men, Rejoice

\*Call To Worship Responsively

L: God is here! The Messiah has come!

**P: We open our eyes to see him and lift our hearts to worship him. We have come to exalt the name of Jesus, our Savior and King, and to bring glory to God the Father.**

L: In our worship we demonstrate the mind of Christ in declaring to God that he is the supreme authority in our lives. We bow before him in submission to our Lord and King.

**P: Come, worship the Lord!**

\*Hymn #251 It Came Upon A Midnight Clear

Call to Confession In Unison

**O God, in the beginning you spoke, and creation was born, the object of your loving care. In the fullness of time you spoke, and the Word became flesh, Jesus, gift of your love. We wonder at the miracle of creation; we stand in awe before the mystery of the incarnation. Forgive us earthbound creatures, feeble in faith, empty of hope, lacking in love. This year let the miracle and mystery of Christmas happen for us again. We wait upon you with ready hearts, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Children's Time**

Offering Prayer/ Offertory/\*Doxology #815

Prayers of the People Joys/Concerns/Prayer/Lord's Prayer

**Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:1-12  
(Red - Pg. 849, Black - Pg. 1112)**

Message **What Gift Do You Bring?** Pastor Marc

**Hymn #288 We Three Kings**

\* Blessing and Benediction Pastor Marc

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## Upcoming Dates and Times:

January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM - Women's Association Meeting

January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12:30 PM - Annual Congregational Meeting

January 27-28<sup>th</sup> - Rivers & Lakes Presbytery Meeting

## Church Mission Statement

Our purpose is to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through preaching, teaching, and missions. Our goal is to lead people to faith in Christ as a personal savior and encourage their continued spiritual growth through participation in our church family, greater community, and the world.

**Next Week's Scripture:** Revelation 12:7-12

## **Announcements:**

### **Do We Have Church Today?**

In the case of severe winter conditions, check WRMJ or WDLM on the radio or Channel 6 or 8 on television. Notices will also be posted on the church Facebook page and web site. You may also call the church office or Pastor Marc's cell phone. Thank you to everyone who alerted others last week about church being canceled.

### **Christmas Gifts for Our Missionary Families**

You have done it again! Your generous Christmas gifts for our missionary families amounted to \$600 for John and Allie and \$1600 for Ivan and Mary. Those gifts surely were wonderful surprises for them. Thank you!

### **Prayer Concerns:**

Derek Bogart  
Annie Inman  
Chris Holmes  
Ivan Murray  
Mike Tripp  
Ron Engstrom  
Diane Anderson  
Pam Price  
Randy Palmer  
Sherry Parchert-Ihms  
Patsy Bell  
Rachel Shefelton-Lackey  
Jim Brislawn  
Ann Blaser  
Ann Boruff  
Joann Kimball Kenneston  
Megan Klauer

### **Birthdays:**

12-30 Jeff McKay

### **Anniversaries:**

1-1 Jason & Sarah Mueller

# ***WELCOME TO BUFFALO PRAIRIE CHURCH***

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