

**Welcome to Plymouth Church!**  
**Sunday, December 18th, 2022**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Advent Reading Pastor Rick & Lynne Hopkins  
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Choir

Announcements

**Scripture Memory Challenge - Luke 2:10-14**

And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup>For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup>And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup>“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

Scripture Reading John 1:1-14

**Children’s Church Dismissal**

**Parents- Please do not let your child head to Children's Church until they are dismissed. Thank you.**

**Grades 3-5 - We encourage you taking notes - Sheets are available on the literature table.**

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Pastoral Prayer  
Message “When God’s Light Shines Brightest” Pastor Rick Hopkins  
John 7:37 - 8:12  
Closing Prayer and Benediction

**We are glad you are here to worship the Lord with us today!**

Visitors, please stop at the Welcome Center for some information on our church.

Also, please fill out a Visitor Card and bring it to the Welcome Center for a special gift!

**Schedule for This Week (12/18- 12/24/2022)**

Today	
9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
10:30 a.m.	Discipleship Classes for all ages
	Library Christmas Open House 
4:00 p.m.	Sunday School Christmas Program
6:00 p.m.	Visions - High School Youth Group
Monday	
Tuesday	
9:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study Breakfast
6:00 p.m.	Elder Board Meeting
Wednesday	
6:00 p.m.	Wings - Middle School Youth Group
Thursday	
Friday	
Saturday	
6:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service

There will not be any Discipleship Classes or Children’s Sunday School on Christmas Day.

**Looking Ahead!!!**

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service

December 25 - Christmas Morning Worship Service

January 1 - New Year’s Day Worship Service

January 23 - Annual Congregational Meeting

**Adult Discipleship Classes**

**Study of the Birth of Jesus Christ**  
Led by Jim Stadler - meet in Room 228

**Biblical Doctrine - Study of Systematic Theology**  
Led by Pastor Brian - meet in Room 127

**The Power of God**  
Led by Dan Towne - meet in Room 126

**Children’s Sunday School**

3 years - 4K - Room 232

Kindergarten and 1st Grade - Room 114

2nd Grade - Room 106

3rd and 4th Grade - Room 105

5th Grade - Room 107

Middle & High School - Room 124

**Get Connected**

**Discipleship Classes**  
There are classes during our **10:30am** hour for all ages. Please see list on adjacent page.

**Family Check-in** - all children must be checked in at our Family Check-in desk prior to attending any Children’s Ministries. Please see one of our volunteers at the desk in the foyer.

**Nursery** - our Nursery is available for newborn - 3 year olds during the morning service and Sunday School - Room 237

**Children’s Church** - **mid way through the worship service.**  
Age 3-PreK age should be taken by their parents directly to Room #232, across from the nursery.

**Kindergarten-2nd grade** meet the teachers in the foyer.

**3rd-5th Grade** can fill out worship notes - found on the literature table

**Family Room** (Room 113)  
If your nursery age child is unable to be in the sanctuary or nursery, please feel free to stay with them in the Family Room, which has a live feed of the morning service.

**College & Career Bible Study** -meet **every other Friday at 6pm**

**Adult Bible Studies /Small Groups**  
**Wednesday evening at 6:00pm** -  
led by Pastor Rick - meeting in Pastor Rick’s office

**Ladies Bible Studies**  
**Every other Tuesday evening at 7:00pm**  
led by Lisa Woller - at Molly MacAdam’s home

**Every Tuesday morning at 9:00am**  
“Twelve Extraordinary Women “  
led by Suzy Wasmuth - meeting in Room 126

**Every other Tuesday morning at 9:30am**  
“Moms of the Bible”  
led by Kendra Arthur - meeting in Room 128

**Please contact any Pastor or call the church office at (920)231-8231 for more information on any of these opportunities!**

**To share a prayer request or praise on the Prayer Chain,**  
please call the church office, or contact one of our Pastors.

## Library Christmas Open House

Last chance to stop in for the Open House!!  
Come check out the great selection of Christmas books, movies and music!  
While you're there, pick up a Christmas treat!



## God's Creation Calendars Last Chance!!!

The 2023 God's Creation Calendars are here!  
They are available in the church office - on the table behind the desk.  
The cost is \$10. They make great gifts!!

## Christmas Nursery Info

The Nursery will not be staffed this Christmas Eve or Christmas morning. However, if you need to take your child out, please feel free to use our nursery.  
Please ask an usher for directions, if necessary.

## Christmas Missionary Offering

The Christmas Missions Love Offering this year will be given to **Anne Ockers and Victor & Dawn Ladiera**.  
Please put your offering in the box in the foyer.  
If you would like to bless our missionaries this Christmas, extra envelopes are available on the literature table, in the foyer.

## Annual Reports

All Annual Reports are due to the church office  
**no later than January 6th!**  
If you are the chairperson of a committee or board, please get your report in as soon as possible. Thanks!!

## Annual Congregational Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on  
Monday, January 23, at 6PM  
All members are expected to attend.  
Non-members are welcome to join us, but may not vote.

**Nursery Workers Today:** Monitor: Katie Bradley

9:00: Katie Bradley, Evyn Stadler, Tom Matias

10:30: Lynn Brown, Nancy Stroh

**Nursery Workers Next Week:** Monitor: Emily Kienetz

9:00: Emily Kienetz, Marlena Ross, Shawn Matias

**Greeter Today:** Deb Cook

**Greeter Next Week:** Robin Thayer

**Children's Church Today:** Holly Simpson/Amanda Woller

**Sound/Projection Today:** Tim Reddersen / Jessica Reddersen

**Sound/Projection Next Week:** Scott Bradley / Erich Graves

### Elder Flocks

A through B - call Dustin Arthur - 920-698-6048

C through E - call Joel Cook - 920-589-4014

F through G - call Pastor Brian - 920-312-0637

H through K - call Gary Jepson - 920-312-1856

L through O - call Nick Matias - 920-642-0040

P through Sc - call Elroy Post - 920-573-2257

Sd through Sz - call Dan Patterson - 920-410-3245

T through Z - call Steve Anklam - 920-470-5114

### Weekly Tithes & Offerings

Fund	12/11/22 Offering
General -- Needed Weekly: \$7,958.17	\$7514.00
Building	\$80.00
Flooring (ongoing)	\$30.00
Needed Year to Date: \$358,117.58	\$345,682.60



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"Behold,  
your  
KING  
is coming to you."  
Zechariah 9:9, NKJV

**Joyful, Joyful We Adore You**

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before  
Thee,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround  
Thee;  
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays;  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
Call us to rejoice in Thee!

Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,  
All who live in love are Thine.  
Teach us how to love each other;  
Lift us to the joy divine!

Mortals join the mighty chorus  
Which the morning stars began.  
Father-love is reigning o'er us;  
Brother-love binds man to man.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife.  
Joyful music lifts us sunward,  
In the triumph song of life.

**Emmanuel**

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,  
His name is called Emmanuel.  
God with us, revealed in us!  
His name is called Emmanuel.

Repeat

**Go Tell it on the Mountain**

Go, tell it on the mountain,  
Over the hills and ev'rywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching  
O'er silent flocks by night,  
Behold! thro'out the heavens  
There shone a holy light.  
Go, tell it on the mountain,  
Over the hills and ev'rywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born!

The shepherds feared and trembled  
When lo! above the earth  
Rang out the angel chorus,  
That hailed our Savior's birth.  
Go, tell it on the mountain,  
Over the hills and ev'rywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born!

Down in a lowly manger  
The humble Christ was born,  
And bro't us God's salvation  
That blessed Christmas morn.  
Go, tell it on the mountain,  
Over the hills and ev'rywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain  
That Jesus Christ is born!

**What Child is This**

What Child is this who, laid to rest,  
On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,  
While shepherds watch are keeping?  
This, this is Christ, the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing.  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
The Babe the Son of Mary.

Why lies He in such mean estate  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.  
This, this is Christ, the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing.  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
The Babe the Son of Mary.

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh;  
Come, peasant, king to own Him.  
The King of Kings salvation brings;  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.  
This, this is Christ, the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing.  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

***Special verse two:***

Why lies He in such mean estate  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.  
Nails, spear, shall pierce Him thro'  
The Cross be borne, for me, for you.  
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

**It Came Upon the Midnight Clear**

It came upon the midnight clear,  
That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth  
To touch their harps of gold.  
“Peace on the earth, good-will to men,  
From heav'n's all-gracious King.”  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
To hear the angels sing.

Still thro' the cloven skies they come,  
With peaceful wings unfurled,  
And still their heav'nly music floats  
O'er all the weary world.  
Above its sad and lowly plains  
They bend on hov'ring wing,  
And ever o'er its babel sounds  
The blessed angels sing.

And ye, beneath life's crushing load,  
Whose forms are bending low,  
Who toil along the climbing way  
With painful step and slow,  
Look up! For glad and golden hours  
Come swiftly on the wing.  
O rest beside the weary road  
And hear the angels sing.

For, lo, the days are hast'ning on,  
By prophet bards foretold,  
When with the ever-circling years  
Comes round the age of gold.  
When peace shall over all the earth  
Its ancient splendors fling,  
And the whole world give back the song  
Which now the angels sing.