



**Mary's Christmas Carol**  
**Luke 1:46-55**

1. We Magnify the Lord by \_\_\_\_\_ in Him
2. We Magnify the Lord in \_\_\_\_\_ for Salvation
3. We Magnify the Lord by \_\_\_\_\_
4. We Magnify the Lord by \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_
5. We Magnify the Lord through \_\_\_\_\_

**TAKE HOME TRUTH**

*We are called on to \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord.*



Coming Up ...

December 28, Pat Quinn, Special Speaker

January 4, "What Does a Pastor Do? – 1 Timothy 4:11-16

January 11, "A Lamp in Jerusalem" – 1 Kings 14:21 – 15:24



**Growing Deeper**  
**Questions for Small Group**

1. How does Mary's poem speak to you?
2. Compare Mary's song to Hannah's in 1 Sam 2.
3. Why do we find it hard to rejoice when things are going bad? What Scriptures address this?
4. Discuss ways you can magnify the Lord this week during Christmas.
5. Share prayer requests regarding this week – spend time praying for each other.

**Just a Moment**

**with Pastor Fred**

Merry Christmas!

May each one celebrate the child who is the Light. The world up till the birth of Jesus was in terrible darkness but ever since he came there has been glorious light! The child in the manger eventually died as a substitute for our sin and was raised from the dead. Let us rejoice in that he came to redeem us – to save us from ourselves and from our sin. May this week be filled with white-hot worship of the King of kings.

Christmas Eve Service will be at 5 pm Wednesday. We will be led in our favorite Christmas hymns, followed by a brief message from Joe Hart. We guarantee that we'll dismiss by 6 pm – allowing you to enjoy dinner and traditions at home. Due to the holiday, we're taking a break from Sunday School and ABF next Sunday.

What is your plan for Bible reading next year? I encourage you to decide what you will do. At the kiosk are 3 different Bible reading schedules. I like changing my translation year to year. Another translation will help you see truths in a new light. Let's not forget to practice though what we read. Truth without practice is sterile. God wants us to implement the truths we read with the Spirit's help. "When the child of God looks into the Word of God and sees the Son of God he/she is transformed by the Spirit of God into the image of God for the glory of God." – Warren Wiersbe

And congratulations to those who finished their reading schedule.



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**HIS NAME SHALL BE CALLED**  
**WONDERFUL**  
**COUNSELOR**  
**MIGHTY GOD**  
**EVERLASTING FATHER**  
*Prince of Peace*

ISAIAH 9:6

**Prelude**  
**Call to Worship**

*Hark The Herald Angels Sing*  
*Angels We Have Heard On High*

**Advent**  
*Magnificat*

*I Adore You / O Come Let Us Adore Him*  
**Children's Ensemble**

*Joy To The World*

**Scripture Reading & Pastoral Prayer**

*Welcome to Our World*  
**David Froman**

*Mary's Christmas Carol*  
**Pastor Fred Froman**

*God Made Low*

**Benediction**  
**Prayer Team**

## THE LORD'S DAY December 21, 2025



Corporate worship is meant to deepen our hunger for the radical work that grace alone can do in us and through us.

### Philosophy of Worship

Our desire is to allow the Word of Christ to dwell richly in us as we read Scripture and respond by singing songs of substance, encouraging one another in our service

### Nursery Schedule

Mary Ann Krepps & Cindy Bettenhausen

### Worship Service

Nursery: Sue Depoorter & Karla Ruest  
Toddler: Ronda VanSumeren & Julie Rizzardi

### Today

9:00am Coffee & Fellowship  
9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship  
10:30am Worship Service

### Wednesday, December 24

5:00pm Christmas Eve Service

*Merry Christmas*

## Announcements

**Christmas Eve Service** this Wednesday from 5-6pm.

**A New Sunday School Class** for upper elementary students will begin January 4. We will use the book *How to Study your Bible for Kids* by Kay Arthur and will meet downstairs. Parents, if your child (ages 9-12) will be consistently attending, please let Mary Ann Krepps know so she will have enough materials for everyone.

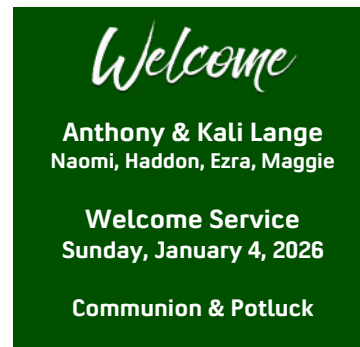
**Reclaim lost kitchen items.** Please visit the table near the west entrance coatrack to pick up items that have been left in the kitchen.

**Holiday Break** for Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship next Sunday. Classes resume January 4. A new Sunday School class will be taught for older children that Sunday. Pastor Fred will teach, "It's a New Year," about setting personal and spiritual goals for 2026.

**Welcome Service** for the Langes is Sunday, January 4. A special service is being planned. Communion will be service. A potluck will be held following. Please sign up on the foyer table to bring a dish to share.

**Biblical Foundations for Evangelism** is a new ABF series taught by Pastor Anthony beginning January 11 in the auditorium.

**You've Got Mail!** Please check your mailbox.



**Pastor Fred's Library Sale** ends today! Hardbacks \$2 and paperbacks are \$1.

**2026 Offering Envelopes** may be picked up in the church office next week.



**Sunday, February 1** – Annual Business Meeting and Potluck

**Friday-Saturday, April 10-11** – Mid Michigan Biblical Counseling Conference with special speaker, Dr Garrett Higbee.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Isaac Elliott	December 24
Mickey Lilly	December 24
Starla Ordiway	December 26
Mary Hayes	December 26
Amanda Wilson	December 27

### Today's Greeter

Barb Howell  
Jim Rizzardi

## Prayer Requests

*Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.*  
Colossians 4:2

### General Requests

- Camp Barakel Staff on sabbatical - Tim & Alyssa Elliott
- Josh & Carissa Bell - Senegal
- The Clark family
- Counseling Ministry - certification & weekly appointments
- For HBC to grow deeper spiritually / to reach out to others
- Langes - ministry at Berean and transition to HBC

### Physical Needs

- Bill Gillam - recovering from pneumonia at home
- Diane Helmuth - recovering from surgery
- Frank Bragg (Killian Loveall's grandfather) - mental health, diabetes
- Gina Golden - kidney and heart issues
- Kara deRoos (Ryan's mother) - recovering from surgery
- Kathy Lange (Anthony's mother) - lung cancer
- Matthew Thomas - future surgery on his hip
- Nic Martin - pain management
- Richard Hardziak (friend of Chaney's) - cancer

### Christmas Prayer - John 1:14

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." As we reflect on the stable in Bethlehem, we marvel at the Word made flesh. Thank You for the humble beginning of our Savior, the promise fulfilled in His coming. Help us to approach this Christmas with the wonder of the shepherds and the awe of the Magi, opening our hearts to Your presence and the transforming power of Your Son's birth. Amen.

### Prayer For Our Government Officials

Speaker of the House, Mike Johnson

### Prayer Individual of the Week

Don Green

### Shut in of the Week

Phil Walrath

**Reflect. Be still and let our minds wander over the many things Jesus has done for us. Let the truth of His goodness take hold in our hearts; remembering the blessings of Christ.**