

**IN SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY (JAN 7)**

Accompanist: Morgan Vaughn

Liturgist: Cheryl Marlow

**HAPPENING WEEKLY IN THE LIFE OF YOUR CHURCH**

**Every Wednesday:** 10-11am Prayer Fellowship

6:30-7:30pm Wednesday Night Bible Study

**Each Day:** Use the Prayer Guidebook (available in the lobby) to pray daily for your family, church, community, and the world.

**THIS WEEK IN YOUR CHURCH**

**Today:** Final day to have your giving credited to the 2023 Tax Year.

**Wednesday:** 10-11am Prayer time

11:30am – 1:30pm Game Day (friends and snacks welcome)

6:30-7:30pm Bible Study

**GIVING ENVELOPES**

The 2024 Giving Envelopes are on the Usher's counter. Please take yours today. If you are not currently using Giving Envelopes and would like a set, let the church office know.

**MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION**

**New in 2024:** Monday Morning Bible Study will begin a study of the Historical Books of the Bible on Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> from **10:30 to 11:30am**. Note the new meeting time for this group. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby for those interested in attending.

**UNITED METHODIST MEN**

Join the Men on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 9am for Breakfast and fellowship at the 5<sup>th</sup> Wheel Diner. Friends are welcome.

**FOOD CLOSET DONATION**

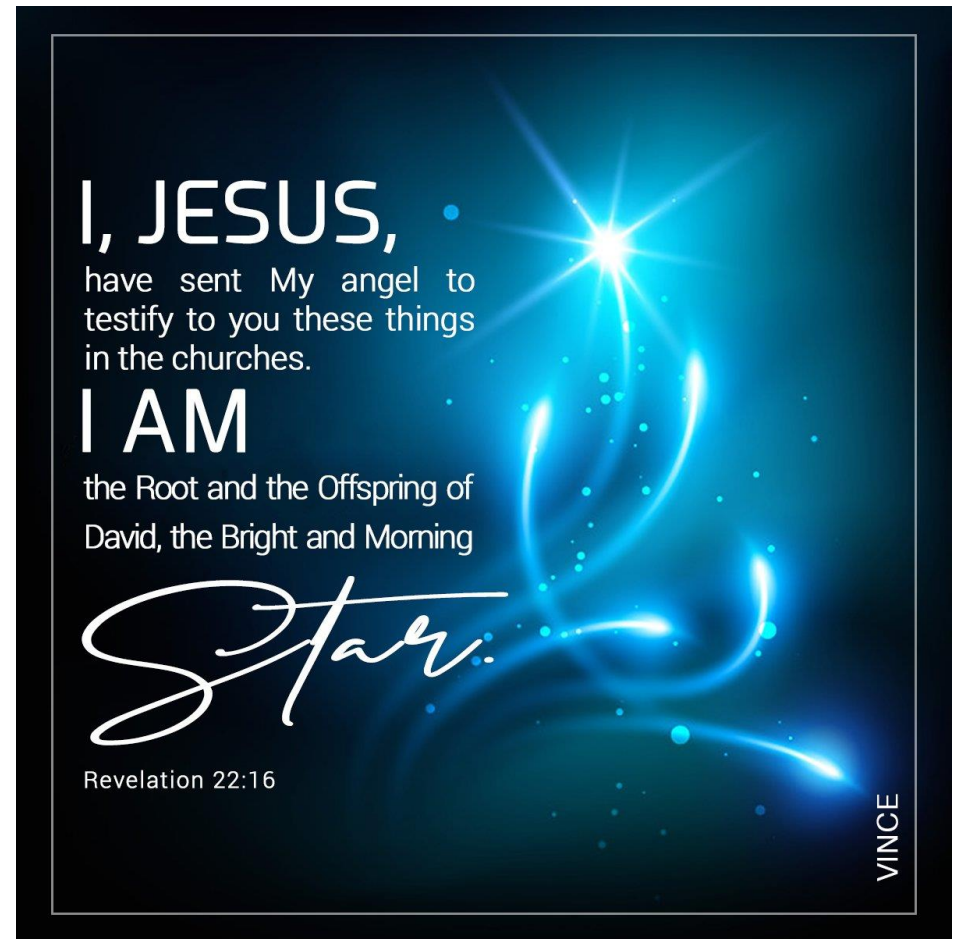
Nest week we will be collecting canned and shelf staples for the local food closets. This is a short collection just taking place from January 7<sup>th</sup> to January 17<sup>th</sup>. Please give if you can.

**WALK WITH FRIENDS**

Walk with Friends will continue to meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday's of the month (weather permitting) at 2pm at Willow Metro Park. Always check with Lisa Poy if you are in doubt as to whether they are meeting.

**JANUARY MEETINGS**

Nest week we will be collect



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**Worship: 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday School 10:30 a.m.**

**First Sunday after Christmas**

**December 31, 2023**

**Rev. Eun Sik Poy, pastor**

**Accompanist: Marsha Metz**

**Liturgist: Julie Riggs**

## Order of Worship

### Words of Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

#### \*Call to Worship

L: We have welcomed Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, to live among us.

**P: We wait and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.**

L: We are preparing to welcome the new year and are anxious to discover what it might bring

**P: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.**

L: Come, let us worship God, whose love endures from generation to generation, guiding us from one year to the next.

**P: Come, let us worship as we live in anticipation of God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

**\*Opening Song**                      *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*                      89

#### \*Greet One Another

Children are welcome to help themselves to the activity cart

### Prayer Requests and Praises

*Please fill out a green prayer card for those you are lifting in prayer today so that we may send a card of encouragement to them.*

### Pastoral Prayers

#### 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.*

**Song of Preparation**                      *It Is Well with My Soul*                      377

#### Scripture Reading

Revelation 22: 16-21

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Message**                      "*The Final Words in the Bible*"                      Rev. Eun Sik Poy

### Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

#### \*Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

#### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

***Almighty God, we're grateful for your faithfulness, love, and the blessings of this year. Through your unconditional and undeserved love, our souls have found true satisfaction in you. We confidently confess You as the eternal God, the source of divine hope, peace, joy, and love. Loving God, help us remember the brevity of our time on earth and seek Your kingdom to come. Thank you Lord, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.***

**\*Sending Song**                      *O Holy Night*

#### Benediction

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**\*Please stand as able.**