

**Service of Worship Carterville UMC
December 24, 2023 – Fourth Sunday of Advent
Advent - Blue
*stand if you are able**

Welcome

***Gathering Chorus** 204 Emmanuel, Emmanuel

Announcements

Prelude

Lighting of Worship Candles

Maybe you have a candle at your house and would like to light a candle with me to celebrate the light of Christ there with you.

Call to Worship

L: Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you.

P: JESUS WE WELCOME YOUR PEACE IN A WORLD THAT OFFERS SO LITTLE PEACE.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Readings for the First Four Sundays of Advent

**Response sung by the Congregation after each candle is lit:
Rejoice, Rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel**

***Opening Hymn** 249 There's a Song in the Air (1, 2)

Prayer Requests and Joys

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

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, the power, and the glory forever. **Amen.**

Holiday Sing Along

- The Most Wonderful Time of the Year**
- White Christmas**
- Silver Bells**
- We Wish you a Merry Christmas**

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 9:6 pg 683 pew bible
Luke 2:8-14 pg 1014 pew bible

Message

Prince of Peace

Choir

Still, Still, Still

**March to the Manger
Processional Carol**

234 O Come, All Ye Faithful (1, 3, 6)

***Closing Prayer**

PIANIST:

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Dean Brown

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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS		
TODAY	7:00 pm	Candlelight Communion Service
SUNDAY 12/31	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	New Years Eve Daytime Parth
12/25—1/1/2024	ALL DAY	OFFICE CLOSED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tonight we will have a Candlelight Communion Service at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Larry will lead a Discipleship Bible Study which will begin on January 7 at 2:00 p.m., If you are interested in participating in this study, please sign the clipboard.

We will hold a service to Celebrate the Life of Judith Weyburg on Thursday, January 4th at 1:00 pm. Light refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

DATE	GREETERS	WORSHIP LEADER	PRAYER READER
12/24	Phil & Becky Borgsmiller	Jim Phillips	Roseann Rector
12/31	Jim & Jackie Koonce	John Streuter	John McConnaughy

CLIPBOARDS

New Year's Eve Daytime Party
Young @ Heart
Discipleship Bible Study

PRAYER CONCERNS

Concerns will be kept on this listing for 1 month unless otherwise requested. See current requests on screens and in e-blasts.

Our Church
All Military Personnel
Christiaan Eays
Kenny Clark—Church family
Pastor Steve Palmer & family
Those in Israel, Palestine, Afghanistan, and the Ukraine
Loma Brown and her family
The family of Ellen Gooden
The Oetjen Family
The family of Judith Weyburg
Simon Claunch

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY

Lyla Johnson, John Gooden, Steve Frease

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8:30 a.m. Sunday School

9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship

10:30 Sunday School

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