

Order of Worship

Today's worship leaders are Brianna Marsh and Hudson Marsh.

Prelude *Begin and Never Cease*

Call to Worship Mark Moser, Pastor

Angels We Have Heard on High

Advent Readings and Candle Lighting Yvonne Parks

*Our God Reigns (Awake, Awake, O Zion)
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus
God With Us*

Offering Marc Davis, Associate Pastor

Announcements

Children's Message Mark Moser

Time of Greeting

*Go Tell It on the Mountain**

Prayer for the Church Steve Ritter, Elder

Sermon Marc Davis

The Immanuel Scenario
Matthew 1:18-25 (page 807; Children's Bible page 1154)

Immanuel (From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable)

Benediction

Elders are available by the stage for prayer following the service.

*Friendship Class is dismissed to their classroom.

Sermon Series

Current Sermon Series: Worship Him

Dec. 31 All of Life Is Worship (Mt. 4:1-11) David White

Upcoming Sermon Series: Are You the One?: The Middle of Jesus' Ministry

Sundays, January 7—March 18

Jan. 7 Does John the Baptist Have Doubts? (Mt. 11:1-19) Mark Moser

Jan. 14 Watch What You Do with Jesus (Mt. 11:20-30) Marc Davis

Jan. 21 Have I Committed the Unforgivable Sin? (Mt. 12:1-32) Mark Moser

Prayer & Praise

Pray for Debby Chasteen as she grieves the passing of her father.

The Week Ahead

The Church Office will be closed Mon.—Wed. this week, and there are no scheduled church activities Mon.—Thurs. The Food Cupboard is closed through January 12.

Fri., 12/29 6:00am: Men's Prayer Meeting

Sat., 12/30 6:30am: Men's Ministry

No Women's Prayer Meeting

Sun., 12/31 7:50am: Prayer Meeting

9:00am: Worship Service; No Sunday School; Educators' Prayer

10:45am: Worship Service; No Sunday School

Announcements

Christmas Eve Services—Tonight, 7:00 & 11:00pm

Tonight we will have two services of *Lessons and Carols* to focus our hearts on the promise and the coming of our Lord. These services will focus on nine scripture lessons, each followed by Christmas carols, and will culminate in *candle lighting*. Please come, and invite your co-workers, friends, and neighbors to join you! Childcare will not be provided. Invitations are available in the upper lobby.

Christmas Eve Offering

Tonight's special offering will go to refugees from Syria and Iraq, who are being helped through the ministry of Pioneers. Since 2013, Pioneers' Victims of War project has supported more than 10 field-led initiatives spread across the Middle East, Europe, and the United States. Ministries and services to refugees include material aid distribution, fruit and vegetable programs, trauma counseling for women and children, sports programs for children, art therapy, children's education, pre-natal care and new mother assistance, women's employment, dental care, evangelistic media outreach, discipleship, church planting training, and more. As of May 2017, more than 25,000 refugees have been cared for by the dedicated Pioneers workers on the front lines. To learn more, please visit <https://www.pioneers.org/victims>.

Worship Services Next Sunday, December 31—9:00 & 10:45am

Childcare will be provided in the toddler room during both services for children up to age 3. All AdultEd, Youth, and KidsLife Sunday School classes are cancelled.

Educators' Prayer Meeting—Sunday, December 31, 9:00am

Every teacher, every student, and everyone else is welcome. Join us in the library. For more info., contact Lorraine Smith.

Year-End Contributions

Your last opportunity to get a 2017 charitable tax credit for your church donations is the Sunday morning offering taken on December 31. To qualify for a 2017 deduction, a check must be received by the church by December 31 or if mailed to the church must be postmarked by December 31. Placing a check with a 2017 date in a 2018 offering does not qualify for 2017 credit. Electronic deposits must be made by 12/31/17. If you have any questions, please contact Greg Raysor at graysor@newlifeglenside.com.

Photos for the New Directory

It's not too late to submit your photos for the new church directory. If you missed the opportunity to proof your listing in the directory, email Martha Kepple. All photos should be sent to her, too. mkepple@newlifeglenside.com.



Sunday, December 24, 2017, 10:45am

Upcoming AdultEd Classes

♪ "O come let us adore him" - Answering the Call to (Corporate) Worship

9:00am, Sundays Jan. 7—Feb. 25, Library (lecture side) | Bruce Johnson
Following up on our Advent sermon series, we will explore how God's Word shapes our times of worship, and how worship shapes us.

Reading an Old Testament Story: Joseph

10:45am, Sundays Jan. 7—Feb. 25, Library (lecture side) | Marc Davis
The Old Testament is full of historical narratives; but how do we read them today, devotionally, as a way of listening to God's voice? We will use the history of Joseph in Genesis 37—50 as a step into this kind of reading.

Community Connections

Deacons' Cell Phone:

If you have or know of a need or would like prayer, please call Dave Douds at 267-528-8637.

Meals Ministry:

If meals are needed, please contact December coordinator Marina James at 267-210-4909 or NewLifeMeals@gmail.com.

Perpetual Food Drive: *Urgent needs: crackers & paper grocery bags*

Place your donations in the cabinet by the Weldon Room.

Food Cupboard Hours: *CLOSED 12/18—1/12*

Housing is needed for a single mom and three children. Please contact Diane Marsh at 267-664-5532 or the Deacon coordinator at 267-528-8637.

Support Groups

New Creations Support Group—Mondays, 7:30pm

Walking together through the issues of "substance abuse." Contact Marc Davis (mdavis@newlifeglenside.com) or John Timlin (john@timlin.ws).

Men's Support Group

Helping men find freedom from sexual sin patterns and to grow in Christ. Give Bill Buckman a call at 215-317-7478 or email him at williamwbuckman@gmail.com.

Pastoral Staff

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Facility Staff on Duty Today: Ed Spector

Please speak with him if you know of any facility issues this morning.