

DECEMBER 22, 2013

- \* PRELUDE: *“Sing Joy!”* McKibben Family
- \* WELCOME AND SHARING OF NEWS
- CALL TO WORSHIP: From Isaiah 7 & 45  
Leader: Shower, O heavens from above, and let the skies rain down  
righteousness, let the earth open that salvation may spring up.  
**People: Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a  
Son, and shall name Him Immanuel.**  
Leader: Let us worship God!
- INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER
- + HYMN OF PRAISE: (Red) No. 168  
*“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”*

**LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE  
(Rhonda and Chuck Richie)**

- + **APOSTLES’ CREED:**  
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.
- + GLORIA PATRI
- CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Janna Milstead
- QUIET MEDITATION: *“Away in a Manger”*
- PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE
- TITHES AND OFFERINGS
- OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *“See Amid the Winter’s Snow”*
- + DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION
- + HYMN OF PREPARATION: (Red) No 159  
*“What Child Is This”*
- SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 1:18-25
- SERMON: “Just Imagine Joseph” Lee Thomas**
- + HYMN OF RESPONSE: (Red) No. 169  
*“While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night”*
- + BENEDICTION
- + CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *“Alleluia”*
- + POSTLUDE: *“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”* McKibben Family

+ CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND  
\* USHERS MAY SEAT THOSE WAITING

**THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR**

- SUNDAY:  
10:00 A.M. Morning Worship Service  
11:00 A.M. Sunday School for all ages  
Attendance last week: 141  
Offering last week: \$5,490.52
- TUESDAY  
7:00 P.M. Candlelight Service

Our **greeters** today are Janna and Gary Milstead.

Our **prayer person** this week is Kay Argenbright.

The Women are collecting **Food Baskets** for the Salvation Army to be distributed to the needy for the Christmas season. Please leave donations in the social hall by today.

A **Kitchen Fund** has been created to renovate the kitchen and the surrounding area. Anyone wishing to contribute may make checks payable to *Olivet Presbyterian Church* and earmarked *Kitchen Fund*. Full details of the planned work which will begin in January of 2014 is posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

The **2014 Relay for Life** event will be held at Riverheads High School on May 17<sup>th</sup>-May 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be a **Book Sale** as a kick-off fundraiser on January 26, 2013 in the fellowship hall from 11:00a.m.-1:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to join the Olivet Strutters is asked to see Vickey Wood.

**Olivet and the Church of the Brethren’s choirs** will jointly present their music program at Olivet during the morning worship service on Sunday, January 5, 2014 and they will have an encore performance that evening as a benefit for the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank at the Church of the Brethren at 7:00 p.m.

**Legacy Christmas** is a collection of Celtic-inspired Christmas carols produced by Living Waters for the World. The cost of the CD is \$15.00 and proceeds will be shared 50/50 between the Presbyterian Women Birthday Offering and LWW. The real story is in the ministry itself—clean water—and in PW’s partnership with LWW, improving the lives of women and children throughout the world. The CD’s are available in the vestibule. If you have already received a copy, please pay Dana Eastman.

Our annual **Joy Gift Offering** will be received this morning. Envelopes are in your bulletin for your convenience.