**Worship Hour—10:45 AM**

**CHURCH IN PRAISE**
- Song Service: Jim Ball
- Call to Worship*: "I Worship You, Almighty God" Fred Bischoff
- Invocation*
- Opening Hymn*: "What Child is This" Hymn #141

**CHURCH IN GRATITUDE**
- Oregon Conference Youth Support: Lucille Semenak

**CHURCH IN SHARING**
- Children’s Story: SS children's class
- Community Fellowship: Tom Bischoff
- Joys, Requests & Prayer: Tom Bischoff
- Response Song: "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

**CHURCH IN WORSHIP**
- Sermon: "No Longer a Baby" Fred Bischoff
- Closing Hymn: "Oh Come, Oh Come Immanuel" Hymn #318
- Benediction*: Fred Bischoff

**Organ**
- Pat Ball

**Piano**
- Ceri Hyatt

*Please stand

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**Announcements**

- **JOYS & REQUESTS**: Please write your praises and prayer requests on the slip of paper provided in the pews, and give to a deacon.
- **Visitors are invited to join us** for our Fellowship Luncheon today downstairs in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service.
- **Prayer meeting** every Wednesday at 6 pm, in the church library.
- There will be a **Christmas meal** at the church at noon on Christmas Day for Soup Kitchen and for members who do not have other plans for the day.
- Please continue to **pray for our pastoral search** committee (and a pastor) Jeremiah 3:15.
- **Save the date!** December 31 at 4:45 pm, "Praying in the New Year" This will be followed by light dinner in the Fellowship Hall.

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**The Story Behind the Hymn**

In the late 1600’s, most worship music in Europe consisted of singing the Old Testament Psalms. Isaac Watts love the Bible, yet he thought these songs felt “unnatural” to sing. After one Sunday service, 15-year-old Isaac complained about “the atrocious worship.’ A deacon challenged him with, “Give us something better, young man.” He went home and penned his first hymn, and the love of hymn-writing stuck with him all his life.

Later in life, and inspired by the last half of Psalm 98, Watts penned the beloved Christmas Carol *Joy to the World*. Watts transformed the old Jewish psalm of praise for historic deliverance, into a song of rejoicing for the salvation of God that began when Jesus came “to make his blessing flow far as the curse is found.”

The music is by an unknown composer using fragments from George Frederick Handel, some scholars say it resembles Handel’s greatest work, Messiah.

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**Cheerful Givers Report as of November 30, 2017**

- Needed for Budget: $3,025.00
- Needed for Building: $3,941.00
- November Church Budget Received: $3,296.50
- November Building Fund Received: $2,555.11
- Building Mortgage Principal Balance: $86,866.67

*Sunset 4:49pm*
Our Beliefs in Brief: #27 — The Millennium & the End of Sin

While the saved reconnect with God, Satan and his followers are trapped on Earth by themselves. After a thousand years God will resurrect the lost for the final judgment before destroying sin and sinners.

The millennium is the thousand-year reign of Christ with His saints in heaven between the first and second resurrections. During this time the wicked dead will be judged; the earth will be utterly desolate, without living human inhabitants, but occupied by Satan and his angels. At its close, Christ with His saints and the Holy City will descend from heaven to earth. The unrighteous dead will then be resurrected, and with Satan and his angels will surround the city; but fire from God will consume them and cleanse the earth. The universe will thus be freed of sin and sinners forever. (Rev. 20; 1 Cor. 6:2, 3; Jer. 4:23-26; Rev. 21:1-5; Mal. 4:1; Eze. 28:18, 19.)

Today
Sermon Fred Bischoff
Elder Tom Bischoff
Deacon In Charge Dale Hoie
Greeters Sonja Mosier, Meredith Van Leer

Next Week December 30, 2017
Sermon Dwight Winslow
Elder Dwight Winslow
Deacon In Charge Don Kirk III
Greeters Teri Knighten, Charlotte White
SS Teacher Cheri Hoie

"Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. ."
Isaiah 7:14(KJV).

Our mission is to be a Christ-centered, Spirit-filled church that demonstrates the power of grace and intentionally shares the good news of Christ’s soon return.

Sabbath, December 23, 2017