

PRAYER REQUESTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences to: Bruce Yoakum & family on the passing of Judy Yoakum on December 13, 2020.

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| • Anderschat family | • Dungan, Gary & Marilyn | • Haas, Donna | • *Proctor, Brandon |
| • Anderson, Bob & Karen | • Dungan, David & Allison | • Jones, Mary | • Residents & Staff @ Atria Highland Crossings |
| • Acosta, Diane & Angie | • Dustin & Jessica | • Judy (Shirley's sister) | • Requardt, Howard & family |
| • Artmeier, Jill & Dad | • Easley, Ken & Vicki | • Jump, Rusty | • Reynolds, Lisa, Kent & family |
| • Baker, Alice | • Emrick, John | • Kramer, Amanda & Ken | • Ross, Sarah |
| • Ben Boiman's friends | • Fairchild, Carol, Avery & Davis | • Martin, Barbara | • Ryan family |
| • Burkhart, Sherry | • Family of Mike Bush | • Miller, Beth | • Schmitz, Bob & Carolyn |
| • Butscha, Tom | • Family & Friends of Mildred Hedger | • Miller, Jim & family | • Sherry & John |
| • Carpenter family | • Family of Anissa Matthews | • Moore, Megan | • *Travis, Logan |
| • Cheesman, Bernadette | • Fields, Perry & Barb | • Morrissey, Rachel & Sherry | • Weller, Joshua, Mike & Wes |
| • Courtney, Debbie | • Friends & Family | • Mutters, Shirley | • White, Suzanne |
| • Cummings, Lorraine | • Friends living alone who have lost pets | • Nieghbert, Bill | • *Williams, Brandon |
| • COVID vaccine, government officials, peace, harmony & clarity of direction | • Fuller family | • Our leaders & world | • Yoakum, Bruce & family |
| • Dad & Mike | • Gooch, Linda | • Pam (Shirley's daughter) | • Young, Christy |
| • Dennis, Anne | • Gruber, Steve & Laurie | • Paris, Allen & Nancy | • Young, Patty & Bill |
| • Dreibelbis, Annette | | • Porter, Laura | |
| | | • President Trump & our Nation | |


Welcome

Welcome to Immanuel - We're glad you're here! We hope you will be blessed by your visit today.

Please take a moment to fill out a **Connect Card** found at the entrance to our worship spaces (or get from an usher). It's the best way to get information about what's going on here or to share your prayer concerns.

Videos and livestreams of all Lakeside Campus worship services are available on our website:
<https://immanuelumc.org/live-stream>

Sermon manuscripts or CDs are available at office@immanuelumc.org or 859-341-5330.

 **Hearing Assistance** devices are available in the Sanctuary - please ask an usher.

Immanuel Services & Campuses

2020 WINTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Lakeside Park Campus

2551 Dixie Highway, Lakeside Park, KY 41017
 PHONE: (859) 341-5330 FAX: (859) 578-3563
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<u>Service</u>		<u>Preacher Today</u>
8:30 am	Sanctuary	Drew Oakley
10:00 am	Wesley Hall (Contemporary)	Drew Oakley
11:00 am	Sanctuary	Drew Oakley

Boone Campus - 1440 Boone Aire Road, Florence, KY

<u>Service</u>		<u>Preacher Today</u>
11:00 am	Sanctuary (Contemporary)	Chad Brandt

Sunday Night Live (Urban Outreach Ministry)

First Christian Church (14 W 5th St, Covington)

2:00 pm	Bible Study
3:30 pm	Sunday Night Live Dinner

Immanuel Food Pantry (Outreach Ministry)

Immanuel Boone Campus (1440 Boone Aire Rd, Florence)

- Every Wednesday from 4:30 to 5:45 pm
- Every Second Saturday 9:00 am to Noon

Pastoral and Ministry Staff

Senior Pastor	Dr. Kelly McClendon
Assistant Pastor (Discipleship)	Rev. Drew Oakley
Assistant Pastor (Boone Campus, IBC)	Rev. Chad Brandt
Minister of Music/Exec. Dir., ISM	Matthew Vanover
Youth Minister	Jacob Booher
Director of Children and Women	Kelly Potter
Administrator (Finances & Facilities)	Mitch Nimmo
Associate Children's Minister	Kelly Rodamer (IBC)



Welcome to Worship



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24 IMMANUEL LAKESIDE PARK CAMPUS



5:00 PM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP - WESLEY HALL

Carols, Christmas message and communion with our Contemporary service worship band. (Childcare available for infant-preschool age)

7:00 PM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - SANCTUARY

Carols, Christmas message, choir, orchestra, hand bells, communion and candlelight (Childcare available for infant-preschool age)

9:00 PM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - SANCTUARY

Carols, Christmas message, choir, orchestra, hand bells, communion and candlelight (No childcare available)

11:00 PM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - SANCTUARY

Carols, Christmas message, communion and candlelight (No childcare available)

CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING

As a birthday gift to Jesus, our Christmas Eve offerings this year will go to support our Immanuel Food Pantry (Totes of Love).

Note: Our newly improved streaming system will allow us to provide a quality experience in Wesley Hall should overflow be needed. Seating limitations will be used in all spaces. For those that are comfortable, we hope you will continue to make in-person Christmas Eve worship part of your family tradition. The Lakeside Park services will be streamed live for those not able to attend in-person and will also be available on our YouTube channel Immanuel Northern Kentucky.

We ask that masks be worn by all (except those actively leading worship.)

FRIENDS FROM BETHLEHEM ... VISIT CANCELLED ... YOU CAN STILL HELP!



Due to the virus, our Friends from Bethlehem has cancelled their visit to Immanuel. **But you can make a difference by purchasing online.** The Christians of the Holy Land are especially affected by the pandemic and its negative implications. Over 100,000 Christians lost their only source of income and are struggling to get daily bread, with no help from any governments where they live. Many Christian families are starving and losing hope.

Here's how you can help! Please visit their website at www.holylandcsc.com and purchase your Christmas gifts **online**. These items will also make nice wedding, baptism and Easter gifts. The beautiful olive-wood carvings are hand-carved by the Christians of Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Each piece you buy will help a Christian family afford daily bread, especially during these challenging times. The Holy Land is the birthplace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and should stay Christian forever. Your purchase this Christmas will help them achieve that.

"The Shepherds"

Luke 2:1-20

GUIDE FOR WORSHIP

December 20, 2020

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SANCTUARY ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 20, 2020

8:30 and 11:00 AM

PRESERVICE MUSIC

(8:30 am)

Matthew Vanover, piano

(11:00 am)

“Joy to the World”
“Little Drummer Boy”

Sy Ruehl, piano
Brody Pennington, organ

WELCOME

Jacob Booher

CALL TO WORSHIP *“Bethlehem Noels”*

Members of Chancel Choir and Ensemble

ADVENT MOMENT

(8:30 am)

Gene Archbold, Susan and Ed Burcham

(11:00 am)

The Ruehl family

*OPENING HYMN *“Hark, The Herald Angels Sing”* UMH 240

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord;
Late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
Born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *“The Apostles’ Creed”* No. 881

The Congregation

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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

VOLUNTARY *“Child of Hope”*

Members of Chancel Choir and Ensemble

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Drew Oakley

*DOXOLOGY *“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

The Congregation

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the Father, God the Son, Praise God the Spirit, Three in One.
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CALL TO PRAYER *“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”* UHM 229

Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing, Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Swift are winging angels singing, noels ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new
Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the morrow:
Christ the babe was born for you.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Dr. Kelly McClendon

THE LORD’S PRAYER

The Congregation

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. *(Matthew 6:9-13)*
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE *“Mary’s Canticle”*

Tammy Hutson, soloist

SERMON

The Shepherds - Luke 2:1-20

Rev. Drew Oakley

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to their own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests. When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

*CLOSING HYMN *“Joy to the World”* UHM 246

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found. *(Interlude)*

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove.
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

MUSIC MEDITATION *“O Holy Night”*

Travis Barrix, soloist

BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Bill Smith, organ