



Good News
Evangel
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Church

January 8, 2017

Prelude "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" (Bach) Ginnie Heck

We Gather Together . . . Of the Father's Love Begotten (#240 vs. 1, 3)

Of the Father's love begotten, ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega, He the Source, the Ending He
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore.

Christ, to Thee with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to Thee,
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving,
And unwearied praises be:
Honor, glory, and dominion and eternal victory,
Evermore and evermore.
(by Aurelius C. Prudentius; trans. by John M. Neale and Henry W. Baker)

To Ask the Lord's Blessing . . . Invoking God's Presence to Bless His People Nimrod Tica

God's Word Read Vivian Tica
Deuteronomy 18:15-22; Jeremiah 23:5-6 (NIV)
(Pages 194, 778 in Black NIV Pew Bible & Page 161, 650 in Blue ESV Pew Bible)

Songs of Adoration Pastor Dave, Reader

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."
(Matthew 2:1-2 NKJV)

We Three Kings (#288 vs. 1)

We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar –
Field and fountain, moor and mountain – following yonder star.

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.
(by John H. Hopkins, Jr.)

When Herod the king heard *this*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. So they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet."
(Matthew 2:3-5 NKJV)

We Three Kings (#288 vs. 2-4)

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain;
Gold I bring to crown Him again,
King forever, ceasing never over us all to reign.

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.

Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh.
Prayer and praising, all men raising, worship Him, God on high.
(Refrain)

Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom –
Sorr'wing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb. (Refrain)
(by John H. Hopkins, Jr.)

When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh.
(Matthew 2:9-11 NKJV)

As with Gladness Men of Old (#290 vs. 2-3)

As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger bed;
There to bend the knee before Him whom heav'n and earth adore;
So, may we with willing feet ever seek the mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee our heav'nly King.
(by William C. Dix)

Prayers of the People Charlie Matthews

Worship in Giving Ginnie Heck – Offertory
"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" (Brahms)

Ushers today:
Doug Fogwell, Mike Wagers

Children dismissed for Children's Church (Rm. 5)

God's Word Read Vivian Tica
John 1:1-4, 14; Matthew 16:13-20 (NKJV)
(Page 1062, 983 in Black NIV Pew Bible & Pages 886, 822 in Blue ESV Pew Bible)

God's Word Taught Pastor Dave
"Putting Jesus in His Place"

Sing Praises to His Name . . . As with Gladness Men of Old (#290 vs. 1, 4)

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to Thee.

Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.
(by William C. Dix)

Ministry Moment Stu Johnson
Succession Plan Update

He Forgets Not His Own . . . Blessing People with God's Promises Stu Johnson

Postlude Ginnie Heck
"Go, Tell It on the Mountain" (Traditional Spiritual)
(CCLI #575345)

Prayer for Eternal Life
"Dear God, I confess that I have sinned many times in word and deed. I humbly confess that I have broken Your law and that my sins have separated me from You. Here and now, I ask Jesus Christ to be my Savior. I believe that Jesus is Your only begotten Son who died on the cross for me and rose from the dead. With all my heart and soul, I trust Jesus alone for my salvation. Please forgive my sins, save me and make me a brand-new person. These things I ask in Jesus' name, Amen."

Praying God's Purpose for His People
An Invitation for Personal Intercession
(Bill France, Leader; in Pastor's Study – Turn Right Down Hall)

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OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK
JANUARY 8-15, 2017

Sun.	<u>No</u> L.I.F.@E. TIME	
Wed.	COMMUNITY CARE BOARD	6:30 PM
Thurs.	MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST (McDonald's)	6:45 AM
Sat.	MEN'S CONNECTION	7:45-9 AM
Next Sun.	WORSHIP SERVICE	9:30 AM
	L.I.F.@E. TIME (Prayer)	11:15 AM

LOOKING AHEAD

January 24 – Coffeebreak 9:30 am
February 1 – Board Reports Due
February 11 – Men's Connection 7:45-9 am

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COFFEEBREAK

Attention Ladies! Coffeebreak will hold their winter/spring sessions on a monthly basis. The first meeting of the year will be held on **Tuesday, January 24**, with food/fellowship 9:30- 10 a.m., prayer 10-10:30 a.m. and devotion/discussion 10:30-11:15 a.m. We will be using Cynthia Heald's book *Drawing Near to the Heart of God*, which can be purchased online at amazon.com for \$14.99 (plus shipping/taxes). The first session is titled "Preparing for a Lifetime Journey." Please join us on the journey!

L.I.F.@E. TIME PRAYER FOCUS

Next Sunday, we will gather for a time of prayer during L.I.F.@E. Time at 11:15 a.m. in Classroom #1. These prayer sessions will take the place of the Wednesday night Midweek Service for the winter months.

2016 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes are available in the lobby. If you would like a box, but none has been assigned to you, contact Stu Johnson (Assistant Financial Secretary) or the church office.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING REPORTS

Board reports for the Annual Meeting booklet are due by February 1. If possible, please send them by e-mail to secretary@evbapt.org.

BIBLE READING GUIDES

Our Bible Reading Guides for this year highlight key Bible passages. If you do not yet have a copy of the Jan./Feb. bookmark, it is available on the table in the Fireside Room.

BIRTHDAY / ANNIVERSARY LIST

Pick up your copy of the January birthday/anniversary list in the Fireside Room. Not on the list? Contact the church office.

CONNECTIONS FELLOWSHIP TIME

The **January-March** sign-up sheet for our Connections fellowship time is in the Fireside Room. More than one person/family can supply food. We need lots of volunteers!

2017 PRAYER GUIDE

Pick up your copy of the Converge Worldwide 2017 Prayer Guide from the table in the Fireside Room **today**. This calendar format will help us to remember our Converge Worldwide missionaries in prayer throughout the year.

LECTURE INVITATION

The Wheaton College Center for Urban Engagement is hosting a lecture titled "Paul's Letter to Philemon and the Call of the Marginalized, Impoverished, Enslaved and Incarcerated" by Efrem Smith, President and CEO of World Impact, in Coray Alumni Gym (421 Chase Street, Wheaton) **this Thursday** at 7 p.m. For further information, visit www.wheaton.edu.

Jennie and I thank you for the kind remembrance of a Christmas gift that was included in my yearend paycheck. Your thoughtfulness was appreciated.

Pastor Dave

PAUSE TO PRAY

Remember **Doug F** as his employment has ended. Ask the Lord to give him wisdom as he searches for what the Lord has for his future.

Pray for **Ken L**, who had surgery at Edward Hospital on Friday. Intercede for the Lord's healing and for a swift recovery without complications.

Beth S' sister-in-law **Jeani E** is in critical condition, fighting liver failure, staph infection, pneumonia and heavy abdominal fluid buildup. She is 68 years old and a believer, but her family is heartbroken. There is a 50/50 chance that she will need to go on life support. Pray for healing, if it is the Lord's will, and for His peace and comfort to her family.

As our nation prepares to inaugurate a new President this year, pray for a movement among all perspectives to seek the nation's best interests over partisan preferences. Pray that the Lord will give a measure of integrity and wisdom to **President-elect Trump** and his administration.

Our "Negotiations Committee" of the **Succession Planning Team** continues to meet with representatives from All Souls Church in Wheaton regarding the potential sale of our facility. Ask the Lord to provide wisdom in assisting both churches as they work toward agreement on a contract and timeline. Give thanks for those serving our church in this way.

Intercede for important Converge church health and outreach conferences upcoming in the early months of 2017, including "**Transform**" a networking conference for church leaders to be held in Garden Grove, California, January 24-27. Ask the Lord to inspire both participants and facilitators during those important days.

As we begin a series of prayer gatherings during our "**L.I.F.@E. Time**" hour on January 15, ask the Lord to guide us to a deep sense of intercession for our church, nation, neighborhoods, families and personal concerns.

Give thanks for the mission of **Bethel Seminary** in preparing well-rounded leaders for gospel ministry. The seminary seeks to equip such leaders through a sound biblical and theological foundation and the development of strong personal character and leadership skills. Intercede that the Lord would continue to direct the more than 700 students at the St. Paul and San Diego campuses to fulfill their calling as servant leaders.

Members & Friends: Charlie & Sandy M, Arlene M, Lee & Bonnie M

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