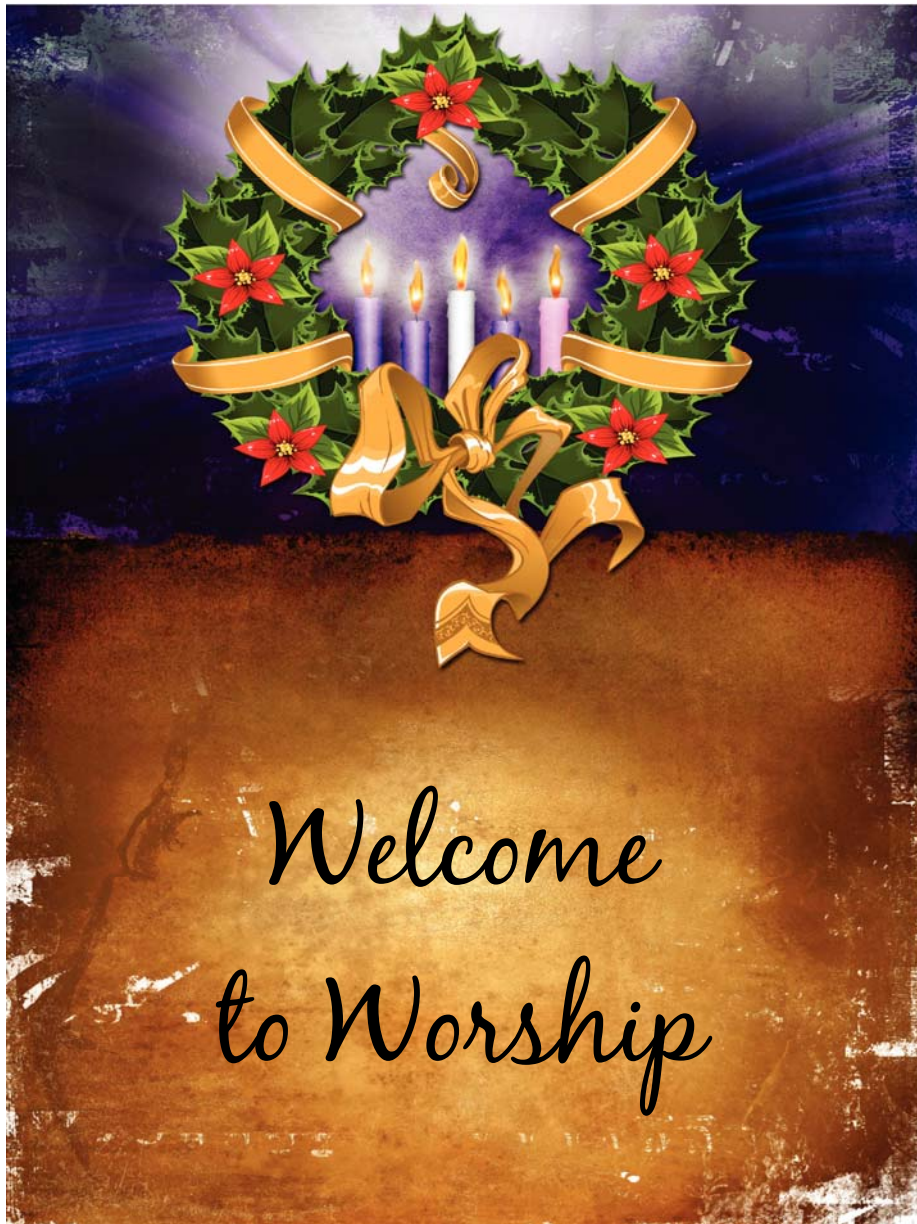




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*Welcome to Worship!*  
*A warm welcome to all as we gather*  
*as God's people to worship the Lord.*  
*November 27, 2011 † 9:30 a.m.*  
*First Sunday in Advent*

GATHERING & INSPIRATION

"Praise is Rising"

Screen

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Screen

\*GREETING IN CHRIST

\*PRAISE AND WORSHIP

"Emmanuel"

Screen

"Celebrate Jesus"

Screen

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH CANDLE

*The Arnold Family*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*At this time, please register your attendance by signing and passing the friendship pads.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

\*"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"          Screen or #809

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 26: 36-45

MESSAGE

Lou Bury, preaching

"Let Me Introduce You to a Friend of Mine: Jesus in the Garden"

\*CLOSING HYMN

"Hosanna"

Screen

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*\*If you are able, please stand.*

# Remember in Prayer

## **On-Going Prayer Support**

- Please pray for the CCK guests to find jobs, fellowship and food. Pray that they will receive hope as they dine with us.
- Anna Smit, for comfort and peace.
- Those in our church who are seeking employment.
- Please continue to pray for Elaine and her serious health concerns.
- Please continue praying for the Robey and Dryfhout families for comfort as Clarence's health is fading.
- Please continue praying for Carmelo Cusimano who is now in hospice as his condition is deteriorating rapidly. Please pray for comfort and peace during this time

## *Remember in Prayer*

- Please pray for Gordon Newsom, father of Cindie Collum's friend, Diana, who was diagnosed with cancer and underwent brain surgery to remove 2 masses. Also found was a tumor in his lung. Please pray for Gordon and his family during this difficult time.
- Please pray for Annette Winter, mother of Bev Dorko as she recovers from knee replacement surgery. She is currently in rehab and will be there for the next several weeks.

## *Announcements*

### **Script Orders**

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!! We are now a month away from celebrating Christmas – will you be ready? DGCC's Script Program can ease your shopping woes – just see one of our deacons about purchasing gift cards from your favorite store(s). In turn, DGCC will receive a percentage that can be put toward our outreach here in this community. Don't delay – see your friendly deacons today!

Also - There is only ONE more date to order before the Holidays: Sunday, December 11. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Deacons.

### **How YOU Can Help**

Here are some ways you can help raise funds and supplies for our Caring Community Kitchen and Mission Projects:

- Box Tops for Education which are on many General Mills products such as cereals, baking mixes, Progresso Soups
- Labels for Education which are found on Campbell's, Pepperidge Farm, Emerald Nuts, Prego, and other products
- Campbell's is now offering an [elabelsforeducation.com](http://elabelsforeducation.com) website where you can register your Jewel or Dominick's cards so that eligible purchases can be applied to any school of your choice. Of course we ask you to assign DGCC as your choice. If you also bring the labels in, we will get double credit.
- Campbell's also has some special offers using collection sheets for bonus points for our church.

Please look for these and the collection containers on the table nearest the mailboxes. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Even.

### **Caring Community Kitchen News**

CCK gives special thanks to all the volunteers who keep CCK going. Please see Jim Even to donate your time or side dishes. Our guests number around 50 each week.

### **Holy Rollers Bowling Party**

There will be a Christmas bowling party on December 4, please bring an appetizer to share. For more information, please see Sam Buonauro.

## *Announcements*

### **2011 Choir Schedule**

Here is the schedule for the 2011 Holiday Season. There are a lot of fun songs planned. Join us!

- December 4<sup>th</sup> - Choir Rehearsal (8:45am)  
Call To Worship
- December 11<sup>th</sup> - Choir Rehearsal (8:45am)  
Call To Worship/Special Music - Christmas Is Coming  
Quartet singing during Worship service - Go Tell It On The Mountain
- December 18<sup>th</sup> - Choir Rehearsal (8:45am)  
Call To Worship
- December 24<sup>th</sup> - Choir Rehearsal (6:15pm)  
Carol Sing/ Special Music - Silent Night, Holy Night
- December 25<sup>th</sup> - Choir Rehearsal (8:45am)  
Call To Worship  
Special Music w/Praise Team - Joy (Unspeakable Joy)

# *Sermon Notes*

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## *What's Going On This Week?*

<b>Sunday November 27</b>	<p>First Sunday in Advent          Choir Rehearsal, 8:45 am          Pre-Worship Prayer, 9:15 am          Gathering &amp; Inspiration, 9:15 am          Worship, 9:30-10:30 am          Lou Bury, preaching          Fellowship, 10:30 am          Sunday School, 11 am          Script Order Pickup</p>
<b>Monday November 28</b>	<p>"Embrace" Rehearsal, 7:30 pm</p>
<b>Tuesday November 29</b>	<p>Women's Evening Bible Study, Parish House, 7 pm          Men's Evening Bible Study, Fellowship Hall, 7 pm</p>
<b>Wednesday November 30</b>	<p>Coffee Break, 9:30 am          Caring Community Kitchen, 5:30 pm</p>
<b>Sunday December 4</b>	<p>Second Sunday in Advent          Pre-Worship Prayer, 9:15 am          Gathering &amp; Inspiration, 9:15 am          Worship, 9:30-10:30 am          Communion          Lou Bury, preaching          Fellowship, 10:30 am          Sunday School, 11 am          Angel Tree Names Available          Holy Rollers Bowling, Willowbrook Bowl, 5:30 pm</p>

## *Volunteer Schedule*

	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Jessica & Kyle Ahlers Nancy & Chuck Werr	Marge & Bob Vander Wagen Tracey & Roger Steinbach
<b>Nursery</b>	Bev Dorko Julie Arnold	Bev Dorko Theresa Arnold
<b>Coffee Clean Up</b>	Maureen & Bernie Iwema	Jolene & Stan Hulst
<b>Sound Board</b>	Sydney Spellman	Eric Lindberg



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

For questions, please contact Elaine, the Church Coordinator.  
We promise NOT to spam you, and you can remove yourself at ANY time.

## Clergy, Staff & Consistory

**Church Coordinator/Website Administrator** - Elaine Cusimano

**Director of Music** - Abi Demirgian

**Nursery Coordinator** - Bev Dorko

**Elders:** Lou Bury, Jim Jalowiec, Donna Koenes & Shelley Janowski

**Deacons:** Jeff Arnold, Lou Campbell, Steve Dorko & Bill Sheehan

**Vice President of Consistory:** Lou Bury

**Clerk of Consistory:** Donna Koenes

**Classis Liaison:** Jim Jalowiec

**Chair of Deacons & Secretary of Deacons:** Steve Dorko

**Church Treasurer:** Jim Even

### Consistory Liaisons to Ministry Teams

**Fellowship** ~ Steve Dorko

**Discipleship** ~ Donna Koenes

**Property** ~ Lou Campbell

**Mission** ~ Bill Sheehan

**Prayer and Worship** ~ Shelley Janowski

**Hospitality** ~ Jim Jalowiec

These above liaisons keep the Consistory aware of the actions of their respective Ministry Teams.

*"embrace"*

**Musicians:** Matt Bury, Elaine Cusimano, Abi Demirgian, Caitlin Doak, Ian Doak, Amy Even & Connor Reidy

**Soundboard:** Jake Janowski, Eric Lindberg & Sydney Spellman