**SERVICE SCHEDULE for December 19, 2021**

**Announcements for the Week** Darryl Griffing

**Morning Service Evening Service**

**Prayer-** Darryl Griffing **Prayer-** Darryl Griffing

**Song Leader-** Scott Lucas **Song Leader-** Curran LaChappelle

**-- Comments –** Eli Hickey **Comments –** ConnorLaChappelle

**-- Assisting –** Connor LaChappelle **Communion** – Andy Fuller

**-- Assisting –** Cliff Davis

**-- Assisting –** Dean Shacklock

**-- Assisting –** Jared Davis

**-- Scripture –** Phillip Darn **Scripture –** Josiah Phillips

**Closing Prayer-** John MacQuilliam **Closing Prayer-** Phillip Dorn

**Wednesday Night – December 22, 2021**

**First Prayer–** Roger German

**Song Leader** – Eli Hickey

**Invitation –** Andy Fuller

**Closing Prayer –** Buck Phillips

**December 26 Evening Song & Prayer Service**

**Upcoming Assignments**

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| **December** | **Communion** | **Cleaning** |
| **19** | McIlvain | Please Be Considerate |
| **26** | LaChappelle | Clean the area around your seat |

**Good Thoughts –**

**Some people are under the delusion that God must allow everyone to enter into heaven if He truly is a loving God. But the great God in under no obligation to any of his creatures, least of all to those who are rebels against him.” ― Arthur W. Pink, The Attributes of God**

**‘Tis the time to visit:** The holiday season offers opportunities to reach out to others. Look and pray for opportunities to do so.

**Singing Class –**

**The singing class is still offered to anyone who would like to learn more about song leading, shape notes and harmony singing in general. The time will be at 4:30 on Sunday evenings. Can you Name That Tune?**

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***Schedule of Services***

**Sunday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.**

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***Good Traditions***

***[But I will sing of your strength; I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning. [Psalm 59:16]***

Some believe that if worship is not spontaneous it is not authentic. It is true that traditions can become lifeless routines, but there are some compelling reasons to have daily and weekly set patterns of worship.

* They keep things from crowding God out. There are so many things that pop up every day. If our worship traditions are part of our non-negotiable, daily routines we will be much more successful at keeping God where He belongs each day.
* They create holy space. It's good to have a time AND a place to worship. For you it may be a chair or a break area at work or the side of your bed or your morning drive to work. Those ordinary places and routines become holy places and routines.

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 ***This Is A Test***

On the next page is a test. Everyone SHOULD pass it. You will get the answers before you leave services this morning. You will receive 5 points for every correct answer. 90 points = A, 80 points = B , etc.

Even if you were not at the morning service you can still find out your score. E-mail your answers to Bill@wmaxx.net and you will receive your score shortly thereafter. Remember, no cheating! God’s watching even if no one else is!

***What Do You Know About Jesus’ Birth?***

**1. For the journey to Bethlehem Mary and Joseph**

A: walked B: Joseph walked and Mary rode a donkey C: rode a bus D: The Bible does not say

**2. When Mary became pregnant, Mary and Joseph were**

A: married B: just friends C: engaged D: none of the above

**3. When Mary became pregnant**

A: Joseph married her B: Joseph wanted to dissolve their relationship C: Mary left Nazareth for a while D: an angel told them to go to Bethlehem E: both b and c F: both b and d

**4. Christmas has always been observed**

A: on December 25 B: on January 17 C: at Grandma's house D: none of the above

**5. Who directed Mary and Joseph to go to Bethlehem?**

A: Herod B: an angel C: Caesar D: the IRS

**6. Just what is a "heavenly host"?**

A: an angelic choir B: the welcoming angel in heaven C: an army of angels D: none of the above

**7. How many angels spoke to the shepherd?**

A: a multitude B: two-Gabriel and Michael C: one D: who knows

**8. What song did the angels sing?**

A: "O Little Town of Bethlehem B: "Joy to the World" C: "Glory to God in the Highest" D: none of the above

**9. The baby Jesus was born in a**

A: cave B: manger C: barn D: Who knows

**10. What animals were present at Jesus birth?**

A: cows, sheep & camels B: cows, sheep & donkeys C: lion, tigers, & bears D: none of the above

**11. What is a manger anyway?**

A: barn B: a place for hay C: a feeding trough D: a Greek term for a nursery

**12. When did baby Jesus cry?**

A: when He saw the wise men B: whenever babies usually cry C: when the cattle started lowing D: no crying he makes

**13. Joseph's family was from**

A: Jerusalem B: Nazareth C: Bethlehem D: none of the above

**14. Who saw the star over Bethlehem?**

A: Mary and Joseph B: shepherds C: the three kings D: both b and C E: none of the above

**15. What sign were the shepherds to look for?**

A: a star over the stable B: a barn outlined with Christmas lights C: a baby in a manger

D: both a and c

**16. What did the innkeeper say to Mary and Joseph?**

A: I have a stable out back B: There's no room in the inn C: both A and B D: neither A or B

**17. How many wise men came to see Jesus?**

A: One B: Three C: Twelve D: The Bible doesn't say

**18. What in the world are Magi?**

A: Eastern kings B: magicians C: astrologers D: none of the above

**19. When the wise men bought their gifts to Jesus, they found him in.**

A: a manger B: a house C: a church D: none of the above

**20. Who told Joseph to name the baby Jesus?**

A: Mary B: the chief priests & scribes C: angel of the Lord D: Herod the king

Think About It