

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Woodland

Bulletin, December 12, 2021

(10:30 AM In-Person & Live Stream Worship Service)

(We welcome you. Whoever you are, wherever you are from, wherever you are in your faith journey, whomever you love, whatever your ethnicity or first language, whatever your past, regardless of your abilities and whether you are rich or poor or in between...you are welcome here.)

Musical Prelude—Jay Surdell

Our shared life together, aka, announcements:—

“Here are some things our church is doing this week which just might give us opportunity to know more fully the joy God’s presence and love brings to human lives, to human beings who choose life together in community.

Call to Worship—Larry Love

Opening Song—“*Angels We Have Heard on High*” *Chalice Hymnal #155*
(Verses #1, 2, & 3)

1. Angels we have heard on high,
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply
echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

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2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heavenly song? (*to Refrain*)
3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ, who comes in lowly birth.
Come adore on bended knee
Jesus, joy of heav'n and earth. (*to Refrain*)

Words: Traditional French carol; tr. *Crown of Jesus*;

Music: French carol melody.

Opening Prayer—Unison—Sue Tarleton

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

ever faithful to your promises and ever close to your church:

The earth rejoices in hope of the Savior’s coming.

Prepare our hearts and remove the sadness

that hinders us from feeling the joy and hope
that his presence bestows,
for he is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

Response—“*When God Is a Child*” *Chalice Hymnal #132*
(Verse 3)

3. Joy is a song that welcomes the dawn,
Telling the world that the Savior is born.

Refrain:

When God is a child
there's joy in our song.
The last shall be first
and the weak shall be strong,
and none shall be afraid.

Words: Brian Wren; Words © 1989 Hope Publishing Company;
Music: Joan Collier Fogg.

Advent Candle Lighting—The Candle of Hope—Katie and Abby Wilmot

Song of Advent—“*One Candle Is Lit*” *Chalice Hymnal # 128*
(Verse 3)

3. Come, festively sing while awaiting the birth,
join angels in dancing from heaven to earth.
Wave banners of good news, lift high thankful praise.
One candle is lit for the joy of these days.

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A Story for Children of All Ages—Marjorie Brown

Scripture Text:—*Isaiah 12:2-6*—Sue Tarleton

Special Music—Chancel Choir

“*Alleluia! Hurry the Lord Is Near*”

(Words and Music by Ernest Sands)

Sermon Text:—*Luke 3:7-18*—Larry Love

Reader: *The message of God for the people of God.*

All: Thanks be to God.

Message—“*Joy and John; Strange, but True, Bedfellows*”—Pastor Larry Love

Song of Commitment—“*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*” *Chalice Hymnal #119*
(Verses #1, 2, & 4)

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here,
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!
2. O come, thou Day-spring come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadow put to flight.
Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!
4. O come, Desire of nations, bind
all peoples in one heart and mind;
bid envy, strife and quarrels cease;
fill the whole world with heaven's peace.
Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!

Words: ‘O’ Antiphons, Latin, 9th cent.; verses 1, 3 para. in *Psalterium Canticum Catholicarum*,
Cologne, 1710; tr. by John M. Neale;
verses 4 tr. fr. *The Hymnal* 1940, alt.
Music: Chant, Mode I; Processionale, French, 15th cent.; adapt. by Thomas Helmore,
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Pastoral Prayer and 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.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from the evil:
for thine is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory, forever, and ever.
Amen. Amen.

Responsive Song—“*O Lord, Hear My Prayer*” *Chalice Praise #104*

O Lord, hear my prayer; O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

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Call to Stewardship...and Doxology—Sue Tarleton

Communion Call and Prayer—Linda Tuman

Words of Institution—Communion—Peace—Prayer—Larry Love

Closing Song—“*Joy to the World*” *Chalice Hymnal #143*

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.

Words: Isaac Watts; Music: Attr. George Frederick Handel. Public Domain

Benediction and Postlude

Announcements:

- Today—Zoom worship, 9 a.m.
- Today—In person and livestream worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Today—Elders meeting after church
- Tonight—Luminaries around the church and the church's neighborhood.
- Monday—Fellowship in Parker Hall, 9:30 a.m.
- Monday—Protocols team, 1 p.m.
- Tuesday—Bible study via Zoom at 10:30 a.m. and Prayer Time, 11:30 a.m.
- Wednesday—Book study, 6:45 p.m. in the church library.
- Thursday—Choir practice in the sanctuary, 6:30 p.m.
- Friday—Graveside service for **Kris Shull's grandmother, Shirley Wilson**, 11 a.m. at Monument Hill.
- Next Sunday—Welcome Table Worship, 8 a.m. Contact **Beja Springer** for the Zoom link.
- Next Sunday—Zoom worship, 9:00 a.m.
- Next Sunday—In person and livestream worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Woodland Ecumenical and Multi-faith Ministries is once again doing 300 Christmas baskets for families in our community. Our church is responsible for 600 cans of fruit. Lon Springer is once again heading up this effort for us. The easiest way to secure this fruit is for us to give money directly to Lon and let him negotiate a good price with a local store. All gifts are appreciated.
- If you are one of those purchasing Christmas presents for residents at *Cottonwood Rehab*, please get your wrapped gifts to **Ann Edwards**.
- **Sarah Tarleton** is once again collecting blankets for a non-profit in Sacramento which provides blankets to homeless and very low-income persons. Please leave the blankets in the Gravink Room next to Pastor Larry's office.
- You can watch our worship services anytime on the church's Facebook page or on our church's website—christianchurchofwoodland.com.
- Larry's hours in the church office are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Call him at 530-662-9356 or 666-2069.
- Pastor Larry's days off are Friday and Saturday.

To make an online donation, Click [Givelify](#)



(Click [here](#) for further instructions on how to use Givelify)

Prayer Requests:

Thanks for:

- **Doyle and Linda Tuman's neighbor, Kevin**, who is returning home soon after a successful bone marrow transplant.

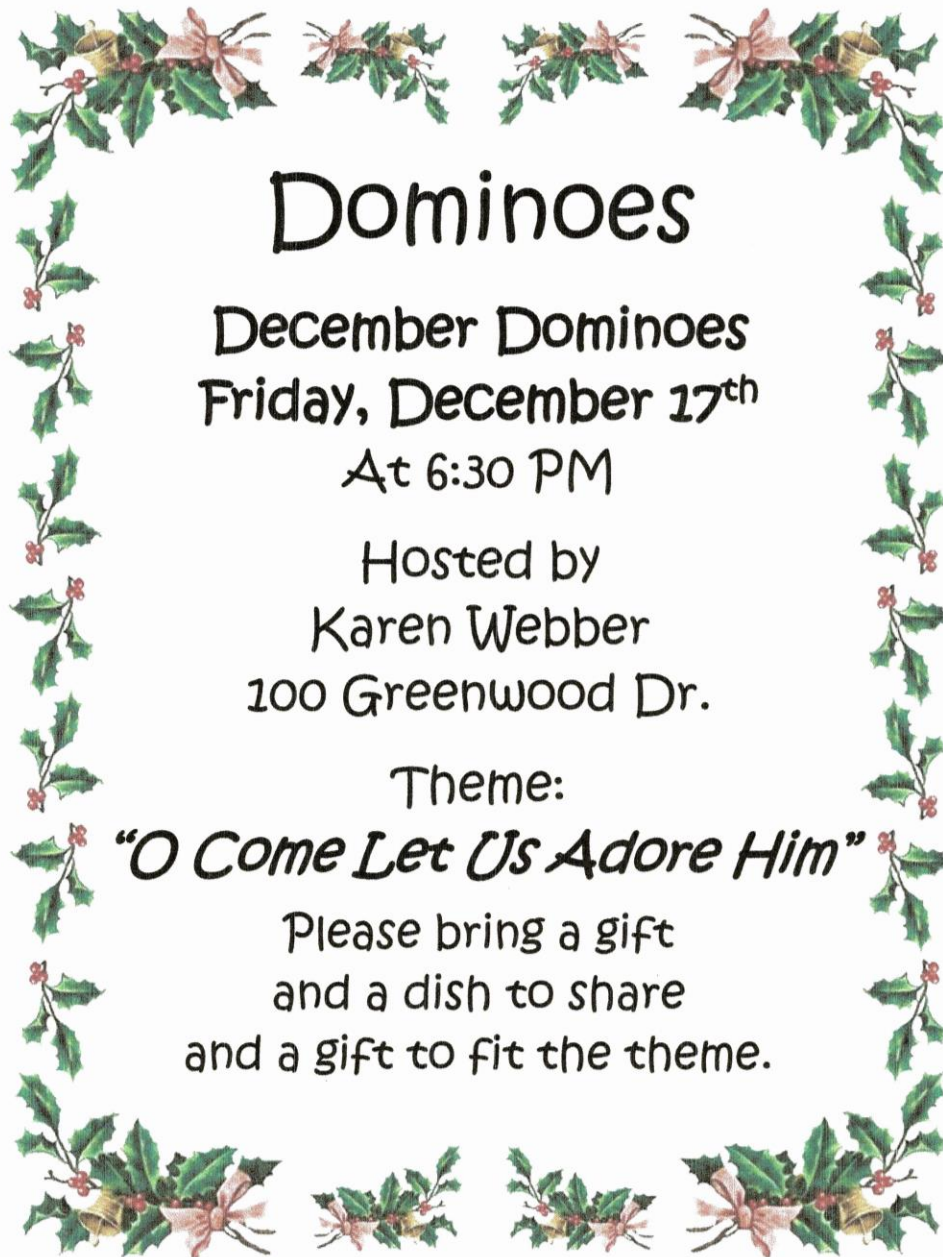
Prayers of concern for:

- Our former regional minister, **Chuck Blaisdell**, who has a recurrence of cancer and is on palliative chemotherapy. Prayers, too, for his wife, **Barbara**, and all of his family.
- Peace on the Russian/Ukraine border.
- Peace between China and Taiwan.
- Healthcare workers who continue to be under tremendous stress as a result of the COVID pandemic. Some 20% of healthcare workers (including doctors and nurses) have quit in the last year...and more are contemplating ending their healthcare careers.
- **Ryan Wysong**, son of **Dan and Heather Wysong** suffering from an undiagnosed illness. Dan is the pastor at St. John's United Church of Christ.
- **Liz Shull** who has begun radiation for a brain tumor. Liz has also lost most of her eyesight. Prayers, too, for her family including **Kris, Megan, Maddie, Clara, and Lydia Shull**.
- Prayers for the whole **Shull Family** at the death of **Shirley Wilson** who is **Liz Shull's mother** and **Kris Shull's grandmother**,
- The **Holmes, Zeiger, and Tuman** families who have also lost loved ones recently.
- **Laura Daggett's mother, Pauline**, who is dealing with Lupus. Also **Laura's stepfather, Roger**, concerned about an abnormal blood test result, **Laura's aunt, Sherry**, still recovering from a broken arm, and **brother, Paul**, suffering with some mental illness.
- **Jim Craig, Heather Craig's uncle** who is now on hospice following a bout with COVID.
- **Barb Tucker, Ann Edward's and Cheryl Grant's friend**, dealing with lung cancer.
- **Kevin Dooley, friend of Beth Erickson**, is dealing with a debilitating illness.
- **Beth Erickson** recovering from a fractured knee and arm.
- **Bonny Carr**, whose husband was killed in a tractor accident recently. Bonny is a friend of **Lori Williams**.
- **Pam, a friend of Sue Tarleton**. Pam is dealing with dementia and Alzheimer's disease and is at the point where she needs to leave her home.
- **Nancy Love's mother, Gloria Martin**, who is now on hospice.
- **Marjie Echols' friend, Christine**, dealing with mental health issues.
- **Jack and Holly Scherer, a very good friend of Lori and Randy Strong**. Jack is dealing with abdominal and liver cancer.
- **Doyle Tuman** who continues to deal with severe back pain.
- **Alice Manus** suffering with Guillain-Barre syndrome.

- **Charles Tarleton, Sarah Tarleton's father** who is now on hospice.
- **Brenda Small's son and daughter-in-law, Dakota and Tori Mann** dealing with some difficult times.
- Afghan refugees as they settle into new life here in the U.S. and other host countries.
- All the people of Afghanistan (especially women) as they come again under Taliban rule.
- **Ivana Cruz (Ana Mangandi's daughter in El Salvador)** dealing with a blood clot in her leg.
- Prayers for the healing of our country in this deeply divided time.

Ongoing prayers for:

Joyce Henning, Leigh Dieckmann, Laura Daggett, Alberta Bradley, Ricardo Rico, Ted Pitts and daughter (Margaret), Liz Shull, Willie Paulucci, Flo Tinsley, Katharine (Patty Overfield's mother), Lisa Austin (friend of Megan Shull), Debbie Staeden (Brenda Small's sister)



SCRIP NEWS

As the holidays approach please keep in mind that if you use scrip for your shopping and gift giving our church general fund gets a considerable boost.

I will be available after church most Sundays for you to purchase gift cards from the box. I am always available by phone/text/email for special or spur of the moment purchases.

I will place our Christmas order on or about the 7th of December. If you need gift cards for your shopping or gifts please contact me before that date so that I can be sure to have what you need.

And, again, the most convenient and profitable way for you to support the scrip program is to create your own account on the scrip website shopwithscrip.com. Contact me for the enrollment code and our church will benefit from every purchase you make. You will be able to print ecards from your own computer in minutes as you walk out the door to do your shopping. You will also be able to reload most cards you have purchased from me. No need to find me for a new card.

This program has the potential to earn **BIG BUCKS** for our church but only if you participate. It's easy and costs you nothing more than you would spend anyway. These are just some of the stores and restaurants that are available to you

Home Depot.	Ace Hardware
Target	Walmart
Amazon	CVS
Burger King	JCPenney
Starbucks	

IF YOU SHOP OR EAT AT ANY OF THESE WITHOUT SCRIP.....OUR CHURCH LOSES!!!

Barnes and Noble	Famous Footwear
Home Goods	JoAnns
Kohls	Lowes
Macys	Olive Garden
Panera	Red Robin
Applebees	REI

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A Concert for James

A musical evening
honoring the life
and legacy of
James C. Glica-Hernandez

Tuesday, December 28th - 7:30 p.m.
The Historic Woodland Opera House
340 2nd Street, Woodland
Reserved Seating \$5.00

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE
JAMES C. GLICA-HERNANDEZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
FUND IN SUPPORT OF CLASSES FOR YOUNG PERFORMING
ARTISTS THROUGH THE WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

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Concert for James

At The Woodland Opera House
Tuesday, December 28, 2021
7:30 PM

Many lost a dear friend on January 10, 2021, as James C. Glica-Hernandez passed from complications due to COVID-19. James was a long-time teacher and mentor, as well as a musical director at the Woodland Opera House. To honor his legacy, a group of his friends and former students have arranged a special evening of music.

James had an impact on everyone he met, but most especially on his students in whom he instilled a love of music and a sense of discipline and hard work. Many of his students have gone on to pursue music and theatre as their life's work and it is in no small part due to the role James played in nurturing them as young artists. He taught them voice and music but also how to be good people, respectful of others, and authentic to their own true selves.

The concert will benefit a scholarship created in his name, the James C. Glica-Hernandez Memorial Scholarship. A goal of \$20,000 is set and the scholarship funds will be used to enable young artists from Yolo County who otherwise may not be able to afford classes through the Woodland Opera House Education Department. Proceeds from the scholarship will be awarded each session to young artists based on need, talent, and commitment to studying music, dance, and acting.

Reserved seating tickets - \$5 per person and are available at <https://www.etix.com/ticket/p/3523511/a-concert-for-james-woodland-woodland-opera-house> or at the box office (530) 666-9617/340 2nd Street, Woodland. Hours: Tuesday – Friday from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM & 2:00 - 5:00 PM

Scholarship donations can be made at <https://secure.givelively.org/.../james-c-glica-herandez...> and are also accepted by mail. Please send to Woodland Opera House, P.O. Box 1425, Woodland, CA 95776.

Blanket Drive

Good afternoon Church Family!

I will be making some blanket donations again to those in need this holiday season. I feel so fortunate to have a roof over my head and a warm place to sleep at night, and know that others may not. Sometimes even a small gesture like a donated blanket, can go a long way.

I would like to invite you to join me to drop off a blanket to the church or my home (email me for address). If you're not able to drop one off and would like me to pick one up on your behalf, I can do so as well.

Let's see if we can beat our record of 65 blankets donated last year!

HomeAid Sacramento builds and renovates temporary, transitional and permanent housing for homeless children, women, men, veterans, and families who have experience a life-altering event and are rendered temporarily homeless. Their goal is to enable them to take the critical steps toward achieving lives of self-sufficiency.

They are seeking twin size blankets...new or handmade. Please drop off to the church or my house by 12/20/21. If you bring blankets to the church, please put them in the Gravink Room.

You can also use this link to place a blanket order and have it shipped directly to HomeAid Sacramento via their Amazon Registry -
https://smile.amazon.com/gp/clpf?orig=%2Fhz%2Fcharitylist%2Fls%2F2SU9WA3SS708F%2Fref%3Dsmi_ext_lnk_lcl_cl%3Fnull&ref=smi_se_cl_r_d_ge&fbclid=IwAR2ZM1o9_yN_iZf4ebWLJTAiLSOkNOHUADHYMpUXNKpb8zkrEihutBIeoxI

<https://www.homeaidsac.org/>

Thanks and Happy Holidays! 🎄😊

Blessings,
Sarah Tarleton