



CONCORD LIBERTY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Come as Visitors - Leave as Friends - Return as Family"

To talk to someone about a particular area of ministry, please call the church office, (610) 358-2105 and Mary Ann, our church secretary, will direct your call to one of the Leaders, Directors, or Pastor below.

Rev. John King, Pulpit Supply
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If you have any concerns or questions about our church please feel free to contact any of our session elders listed below.

CLPC Session

Marcia Bickley, Clerk of Session

Beth Berstecher Worship
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Gary Cannon
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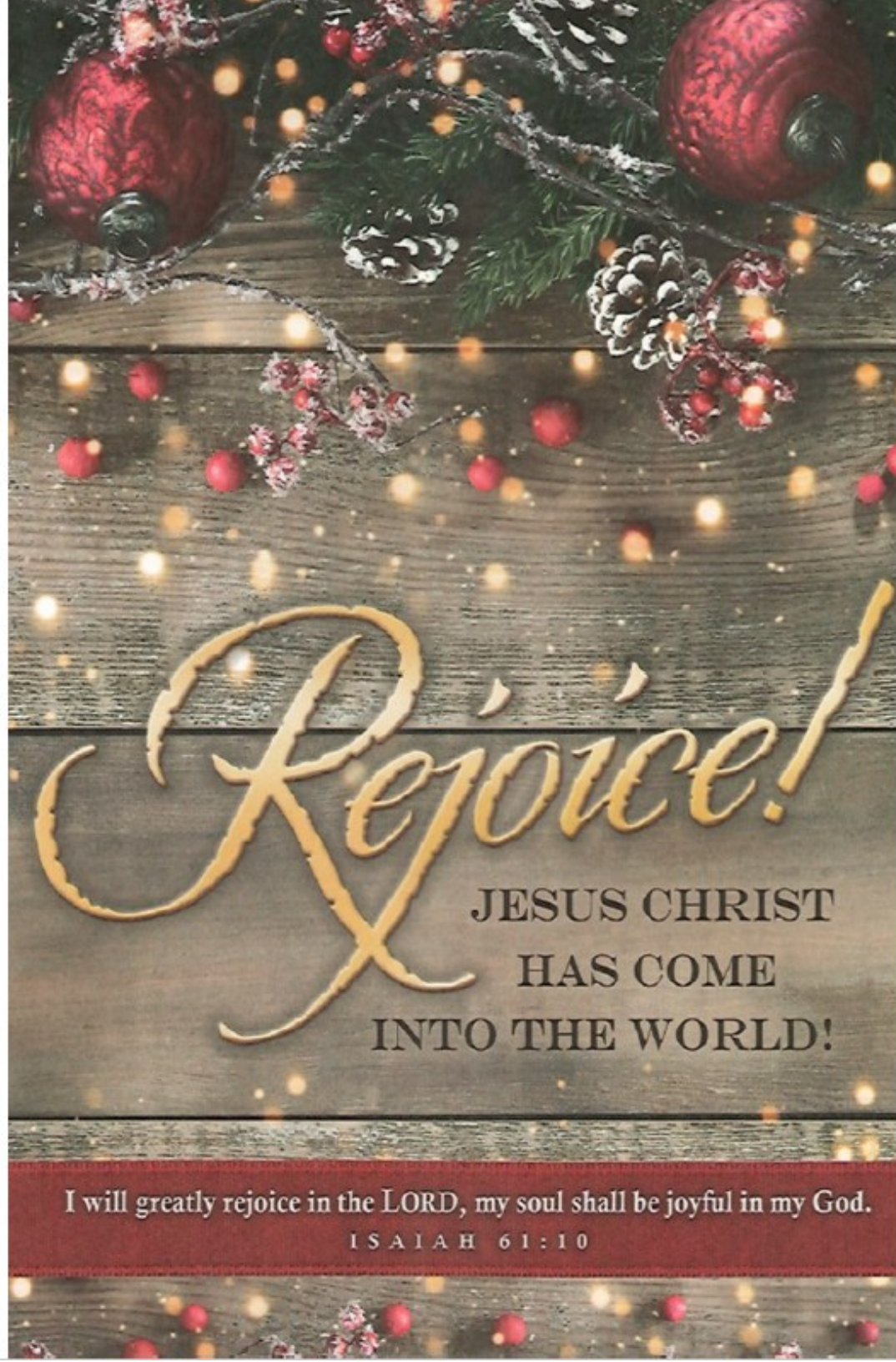
Denise Jingoian
Dave Lengel

Kim Lengel
Connie O'Donnell

Pray for our missionaries:

Nate & Jenny Bacon
InnerChange
Skip and Carol Tobin, VMM
Chester Eastside Inc.
Carolyn & Dan Hennings,
World Impact
Michele Rickett — She is Safe
David & Bethany Wilkinson,
Chop Point

Ray Garcia, Philadelphia Project
Jacob & Hosanna Thomas, VMM
City Team - Chester
Cornerstone Christian Academy
Young Life of Delaware County
Greenhouse Project
Delaware County Pregnancy Center
Dr. Rao, SNHEA, India



Rejoice!
JESUS CHRIST
HAS COME
INTO THE WORLD!

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God.

ISAIAH 61:10

CONCORD LIBERTY WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY

December 21st

- 9:15 am Prayer Time. *All are welcome.*
10:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am KOTM Elementary — Beth Berstecher, Cheri Bates
10:00 am Preschool — Judy McCleary
10:00 am Nursery Care — Jackie Asteris, Betsy Saggese

MONDAY

December 22nd

- 7:30 pm Nominating Meeting (Zoom)
LOVE AND LEARN CHRISTMAS RECESS — NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY

December 23rd

- 7:00 pm Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study
LOVE AND LEARN CHRISTMAS RECESS — NO SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY

December 24th

- 7:00 PM **CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**
LOVE AND LEARN CHRISTMAS RECESS — NO SCHOOL
No Bible Studies
No Wednesday Afternoon Prayer Time

THURSDAY

December 25th

- MERRY CHRISTMAS!**
LOVE AND LEARN CHRISTMAS RECESS — NO SCHOOL
No Bible Studies

FRIDAY

December 26th

- LOVE AND LEARN CHRISTMAS RECESS — NO SCHOOL**

SATURDAY

December 27th

WEATHER ALERT

In the event that predicted winter weather might interfere with the Sunday morning service, the office will contact all of us through e-mail either on Saturday night or very early Sunday morning. If you are not accustomed to driving in winter weather, please stay home and stay safe. Service will be cancelled when the roads are not safe, or the parking lot cannot be cleared in time for service or power/heat are out. Service could be delayed for a period of up to 2 hours if more time is needed to prepare the parking lot for service.

CONCORD LIBERTY HIGHLIGHTS

WORSHIP

To view live or recent worship services, please go to the Concord Liberty YouTube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/@concordlibertychurch19342/streams>
You may also access it from the Concord Liberty home page by clicking on the **CLICK HERE** button.

To view a recent sermon only, go to the CLPC website — under Worship, select Services and Sermons. Then choose the date/sermon you wish to view and click on the link provided.

STEPHEN MINISTERS - If you are going through a difficult time, or you know of someone who is facing difficulties, consider a caring relationship of a Stephen Minister. To learn more contact, Sylvia Schaffer or Joann Smith.

PRAYER CHAIN — Prayer requests for the emailed prayer chain should be sent to office@concordliberty.org.

DEACONS AND SESSION MAILBOXES are located in the Berstecher Library.

If you are dropping off anything in the office, please don't leave items without a note! Leave a short note telling us who the item is for, what you'd like to have done with it, and your name — in case we have questions. A great place to leave notes is in mailboxes in the library!

WORSHIP DETAILS — Any schedule changes to worship service roles (KOTM, communion, tellers, etc.) should be sent to office@concordliberty.org at least a week in advance of the respective service date.

WELCOME VISITORS! — Please take time to fill out a "comment card" located in seat back pockets — tell us about your interests! We'll add you to our email distribution list!



There Will Be **No Wednesday Afternoon Prayer Time** on December 24 or December 31

WOMEN'S THURSDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY

is on recess for the month of December. They will resume meeting January 8, 12:30 pm in the Sanctuary, looking at "So What's the Difference?" by Fritz Ridenour. It's a look at 20 faiths and religions and how they compare to Christianity. Linda Ferrara is this group's leader. If you would like to join for the session starting January 8, you will be warmly welcomed. Please let Linda know.

WANTED by Children's Ministry:
Brown Kraft paper packing strips that come in shipping boxes!
(There is a labeled container for this in the Narthex.)



***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

"Go Tell It On The Mountain"

*Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and ev'ry where;
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!*

POSTLUDE

"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" (reprise)

*If you have provided one or more of the Poinsettias
that grace our sanctuary during Advent, your flowers
will be available for pick-up after the 7 pm
Christmas Eve service — so they may bring beauty
to your home during this season of Christmas.
Flowers not taken on Christmas Eve will be here
for the December 28 Worship Service -- the
First Sunday in Christmas.*

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

CONCORD LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 21, 2025
10:00 am WORSHIP SERVICE

Elder Charlie Jones, Preacher
Rev. John King, Pulpit Supply
Tom Long, Worship Leader
Dave Steel, Traditional Service Leader



Silent Preparation

"Angels in the Waiting"

In the stillness, God draws near,
moving quietly among us.

He lifts our burdens, whispers hope,
and surrounds us with unseen care.

Some may be angels, walking beside us,
offering courage, comfort, and light.

Let us open our hearts in worship,
honoring God and one another,
for heaven is closer than we imagine.

*Congregation is requested to stand if able.
Please adjust all electronic devices so as to not interrupt the service.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming"
Theodore Baker

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE The Angels' Candle

THE CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT #132, v. 1 *"Angels We Have Heard on High"*

LEADER: Let us worship the God who fulfills his promises.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 34:1-7)

LEADER: I will extol the Lord at all times; His praise will always be on my lips.

PEOPLE: My soul will boast in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

LEADER: Look to Him and be radiant; your faces shall never be ashamed.

PEOPLE: This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; He saved him out of all his troubles.

LEADER: The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him, and He delivers them.

ALL: Let us bless the Lord together— for God is our salvation and our light!

*THE HYMN OF ADORATION *"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"* No. 124, vs. 1

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN

"What Child Is This"
No. 137

*THE DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (responsively)

LEADER: Faithful God, You draw near to Your people with mercy and truth.

PEOPLE: Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and as offerings for Your kingdom's work.

LEADER: May Your light shine through us, and may Your presence surround us, even as angels hover round Your people. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY — No. 131, v. 4 *Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear, Suddenly, the Lord descending, in His temple shall appear. Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.*

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:25-33
Pastor John King

THE MEDITATION

"God Is Closer Than You Think"
Elder Charlie Jones, Preacher

*HYMN

"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"
No. 125, vs. 1,3,5

BLESSING AND SENDING