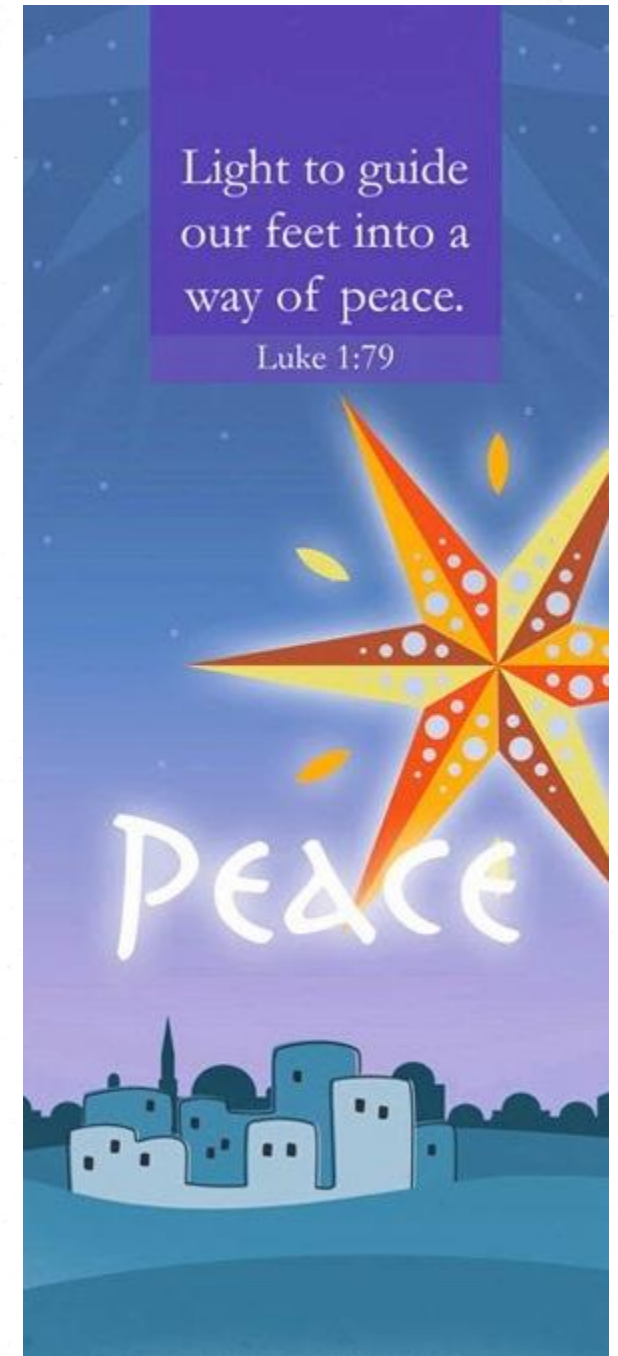


Inviting and leading people to believe in Jesus • Following His Word • Sharing His Love with others



Light to guide  
our feet into a  
way of peace.

Luke 1:79

A Word and a Prayer December 10-16, 2017

*Peace may be translated "harmony." Harmony with one's self is integrity.; Harmony with life itself is gratitude; Harmony with people is brotherhood; harmony with God is faith. All this adds up to the meaning of peace. It is the gift of Christ.* Oscar Blackwelder

Dear Lord, fill me with peace in all its dimensions.

*A great many people are trying to make peace, but that has already been done. God has not left it for us to do; all we have to do is to enter into it.* Dwight L. Moody

Dear Lord, thank You for Your peace. Hold me in Your life and peace.

*The basis of peace is God, the secret of peace is trust.* George Herbert

Dear Lord, remind me that my anxiety points to my lack of trust in You.

*We may enjoy abundance of peace if we refrain from busying ourselves with the sayings and doings of others, and the things which concern not ourselves. How can anyone abide long time peace who is occupied with other people's matters and pays little attention to the self within?* Thomas a Kempis

Dear Lord, help me to find the deepest peace within.

*If we will have peace without a worm in it, lay we the foundations of justice and good will.* Oliver Cromwell

Dear Lord, may my life be found in Your everlasting good hope.

*Peace is rarely denied to the peaceful.* Johann von Schiller

Dear Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

*When Christ came into the world, peace was sung; and when He went out of the world, peace was bequeathed.* Francis Bacon

Dear Lord, may I find the peace completely fulfilled in You.

*Please include Providence Legacy Fund in your will & estate plans.*

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Cause God Joy

\* Hymn 815 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

\* Prayer of Dedication

GOD INSPIRES US

Psalter Psalm 34:11-14 (page 586)

Chrismon Presentation Families of Providence  
*(The children may go to Children's Worship in the Mills Building.)*

Congregational Response 250 vs. 3 *O Little Town of Bethlehem*  
*How silently, how silently the wondrous Gift is giv'n!*  
*So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heav'n.*  
*No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin,*  
*where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in.*

Gospel Luke 2:10-14 (page 1071)

Morning Prayer and *The Lord's Prayer* (Hymn 631)

Old Testament Isaiah 26:2-4 (page 738)

Anthem *Come, All Ye Faithful* M. McDonald  
Chancel Choir, Timpani: Micah Caldwell

Sermon *I Can't Wait*  
the Rev. Dr. John R. Wall

\* Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) The Apostles' Creed

\* Carol 245 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* VENI EMMANUEL

GOD SENDS US

\* Invitation to Christian Commitment

\* Congregational Response 290 vs. 4 *As with Gladness Men of Old*  
*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.*

\* Benediction (Congregation holds hands)

\* Postlude *Zion Hears the Watchmen's Voices* arr. D. Cherwien  
Organ: Dr. JooSoo Son

\* Those who are able, please stand *After the service, Ruth Brown,*  
† Latecomer seating *a Stephen Minister, is in the*  
~ Those with appointments may leave *Church Parlor for prayer.*

*Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Susan Wilson  
in loving memory of her husband, Jimmy.*

**Christmas Eve Worship:**

*One morning service at 11:00 in the Sanctuary,  
Christmas Communion Service*

*One evening service at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary,  
Candlelight Nativity Service*

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