



# Announcements

## Camp Otyokwah Donations

A total of \$5,317 has been donated to the Camp. Thanks to all that donated! Your support is appreciated!

## Mountain Vision Donations

There was a total of \$690 donated. Donations will go towards food boxes for each family and expenses for the Valley Head, WV trip. Thanks to all for your donations! The trip took place Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Christmas Eve Service

We will be having Christmas Eve Service on Thurs., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

## Church Office

The Church Office will be closed Dec., 25<sup>th</sup> and Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Pastor Arnie

Will be on vacation Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Celebration Sunday

We will be having Celebration Sunday on Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to perform (ex; sing, play an instrument, share a testimony etc.), please contact John Nixon.

## Online Giving

Online giving is available on the Church website. Go to the Church website [woosterfirst.cggc.org](http://woosterfirst.cggc.org), click on the link 'Give' at the top of the page. You can also mail your offering to 1953 Akron Rd., Wooster, OH 44691 or you can use 'Bill Pay' through your personal bank.

## Online Service

Services are available for viewing on YouTube. **Facebook Users:** Go to our Facebook page, click on the video link, this will automatically take you to the video and you can begin viewing it. **Non-Facebook Users:** Go to Youtube.com, in search engine type Arnie Kaufman, and then click on the video you would like to view.



# Praise & Prayer Patch

**Jeanne Chapman** – please keep Jeanne in your prayers as she has tested positive for Covid-19.

**Dick Hahn** – prayers needed as he is home recovering from bladder surgery.

**Edna Romick** – please keep Edna in your prayers as she has been diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor. She is at Hospice LifeCare.

**Toni Weirick** – prayers needed for Nelson Weirick's mother as she has tested positive for Covid-19.

**Dick Wyant** – please keep Dick and Winnie in your prayers as Dick is having some tests done.

*Names are kept on the bulletin's **Prayer Patch** for two weeks unless instructed otherwise. (Cards are appreciated even if you don't know the person.) For **Prayer Chain** via phone & email, please contact: Mabel Kirchner (330)262-8165 and John Nixon (330)465-5153.*

Join us as we celebrate the love of our Savior!

**December 13, 2020**

## Worship Service

<b><u>Greeting and Announcements:</u></b>	Pastor Arnie
<b><u>Lighting of the Advent Candle:</u></b>	
<b><u>Prayer:</u></b>	Pastor Arnie
<b><u>Time of Worship:</u></b>	*While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks *What Child is This?
<b><u>Special Music:</u></b>	John Wood
<b><u>Scripture:</u></b>	Luke 2:13-20
<b><u>The Message:</u></b>	Shepherds: Hope & Joy Pastor Arnie
<b><u>Closing Hymn:</u></b>	*O Come, All Ye Faithful

**\*Please Stand If You Are Able**

**You are always welcome to come to the altar to pray**

## CONGREGATIONAL - MEETING -

**Our Annual Congregational Meeting has been rescheduled for Sun., Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM.**

- You can participate either in-person or on Zoom. For Zoom, please contact the Church Office before Thursday, Dec 17 at 12:30 PM to get the Zoom connection.
- We will have election of Officers. Voting will be in-person or by absentee ballot. Those on Zoom will complete an absentee ballot and return it to the Church prior to 10:30 AM on Dec 20. Call or email the church office to get and/or cast an absentee ballot.
- The Church Budget will also be voted on and will take place by the raising of hands.
- A minimum of 35 people (from in-person and/or Zoom) is required according to the Constitution. Your attendance is important.

## Scripture

Luke 2:13-20 NIV

<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." <sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." <sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup> When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. <sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

## Sermon Notes

- I. \_\_\_\_\_ the Hope and Joy That Have Been \_\_\_\_\_
- II. \_\_\_\_\_ that Hope and Joy Can't Be \_\_\_\_\_ Away
- III. \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ for Anything \_\_\_\_\_

## Week at a Glance

<b><u>TODAY:</u></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>
	8:00 a.m. Bible Study
	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
	10:30 a.m. Worship (in Sanctuary)
<b><u>TUES 15<sup>th</sup>:</u></b>	<b>Homebound Food Distribution</b>
	6:30 p.m. Line Dancing Class
<b><u>THUR 17<sup>th</sup>:</u></b>	8:30 a.m. Line Dancing Class
	10:30 a.m. Al-Anon

## Attendance Last Sunday

36

## Offering Last Sunday

\$5,109.00



## Ministerial Staff

**Senior Pastor: Arnie Kaufman**

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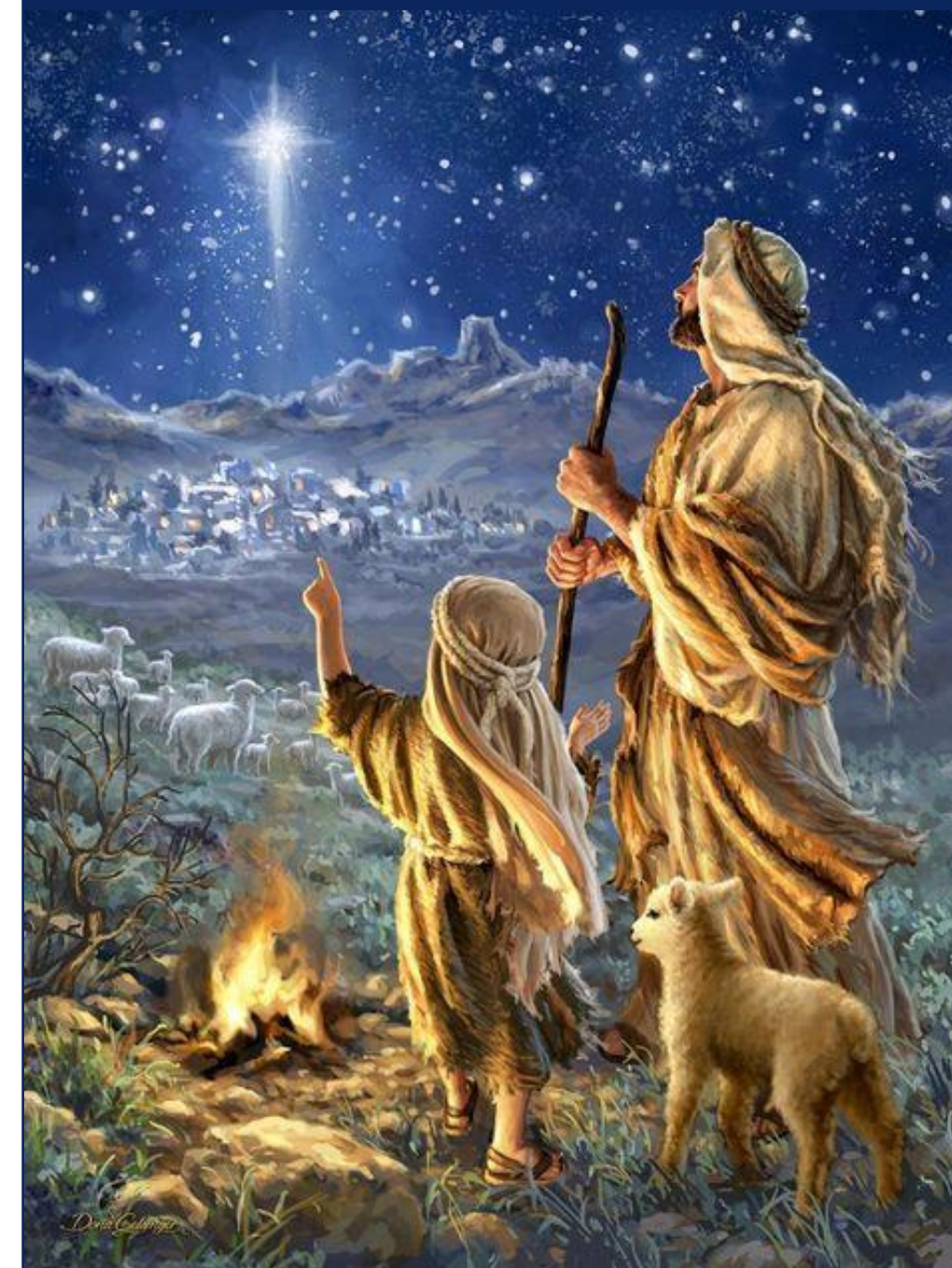
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# Shepherds: Hope & Joy

## Sermon Notes-Answers

- I. **EMBRACE** the Hope and Joy That Have  
Been **GIVEN**
- II. **REALIZE** that Hope and Joy Can't Be  
**TAKEN** Away
- III. **REFUSE** to **SETTLE** for Anything **LESS**