# Welcome!

We are glad you've come to worship our Risen Lord. If this is your first time with us, be sure to fill out a visitor's card and put it in the offering plate so we may have a record of your visit. Please let us know if we can be of any spiritual assistance. Thank you for visiting with us today.

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# **Morning Worship**

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn #220 – "Ten Thousand Hallelujahs"

Prayer

Hymn #222 – "O Hearken Ye"

Hymn #205 - "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

Offering

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - "TO WORSHIP THE KING"

Hymn #224 – "As With Gladness Men of Old" Benediction

**Evening Worship** 

CHRISTMAS DINNER FELLOWSHIP

# Today's Activities

The morning service will feature *To Worship the King*, a Christmas program presented by the choir. A separate Christmas bulletin is available, which includes the words to all of the songs.

The evening service will be our annual Christmas dinner party. Bring plenty of food for your family and some extra to share. Pastor Downey will bring a brief devotional message, and Arioso, an *a capella* ensemble, will provide Christmas music. There may also be games and carols.

No choir practice this afternoon. Rehearsals resume on January 7 at 4:00 p.m.

# Christmas Eve Sunday, December 24

Sunday school classes will meet as usual at 9:30 a.m. The morning service will include communion, and there will be no afternoon or evening events that day.

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him." ... And behold, the star, which they had seen in the east, went on ahead of them until it came to a stop over the place where the Child was to be found. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And after they came into the house, they saw the Child with His mother Mary; and they fell down and worshiped Him. Then they opened their treasures and presented to Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

~ Matthew 2:1-2, 9b-11

# THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship Service	
(Children's Church)	
Choir Practice	NONE THIS WEEK
Evening Worship Service	5:00 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

WEEKLY GIVING

Weekly General Budget	\$2,000.00
Offering 12/10	•
Weekly Missions Budget	
Missions Offering 12/10	

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

Morning Service – Tracey S. / Sherry M. Evening Service – Christmas Dinner Party



# PRAYER CHAIN INFORMATION

If you need a prayer request circulated on our prayer line, please contact Pastor Downey (706-548-6563). Remember to pray for the shut-ins and sick in our church; send them a card or give them a call.

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