

The Lord's Day
Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 24, 2023
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Today's Prayer

Lord, we come to You today asking for Your guidance and insight. Help us understand the difference between our desires and Your will for our lives when it comes to matters of the heart. Give us the courage to make decisions rooted in Your love and mercy. Help us to recognize and respond to the opportunities You have set before us in Love. Give us the wisdom to move forward and when to wait. We turn to you, Lord, for Your Love, Grace, Mercy and Understanding.

In Jesus Name, Amen

The Morning Message

Reverend Brian Snyder—Love

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR

Greg Haskins • Gary Ray Wright • Phillip Seymour
Colette Cross • Dorice Stewart • Beverly Snyder • John Shatraw
Burt Goodnough • Nancy Casler • Daniel Shirley • Brian Groff
Carl & Danielle • Mrs. Mavery • Mary Hesford • Ron Latella
Helen Potter • Stanley Perzan • Jared Eldridge • Dan Race
Bonnie VanDyke • Mark Freeden • George Steven • Randy
Norm Kepner • Lynn & Stan • Shaun Hull • Patricia Myers
Doris Bates • Donna Thurston • Stanley Kepner • Karen Ross

MISSIONARIES: Mozambique: Rev. Jim Pickett

ALL MILITARY SERVICE PERSONNEL

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, December 31, 2023

Greeters: Marilyn Poole / Steve Berkman

Security: Tim Redden / Rod Quackenbush / Lyle Robbins

Tonight, December 24, 6:00 PM: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Tomorrow, December 25, 10:00 AM: Christmas Day Service

No Bible Study classes during the week between Christmas and New Years

Are you interested in walking in the gym during the winter months, please sign up at the Welcome Desk.

We love
because
he first loved
us!



1 JOHN 4:19

Love

The greatest gift ever given at Christmas was the gift of God's own Son. God gave his one and only Son that whoever believes in him would not perish but have eternal life. Jesus did not merely come into the world. He was sent into the world. God the Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

If you ever doubt that God loves you, just look at his Son, Jesus. Look at Jesus the child born into the world as a baby at Christmas. Look at Jesus the man, teaching the people, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

Look at Jesus the Savior, suffering and dying on the cross for your sins, to bring you to God. Look at Jesus the King, risen from the dead, ascended to heaven, coming back for you to take you to be with him, so you may also be where he is forever.

Nothing can ever separate you from God's love for you in Christ. As Paul writes in Romans 8:38-39: "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height or depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Christmas is not only a reminder of how much God loves You, but also how much you should love other people. Is there someone you need to help this Christmas? Is there someone you need to reach out to this Christmas? Is there someone you need to forgive this Christmas?

How will you show your Love to others this Christmas?

Love

IN THIS WAS MANIFESTED THE LOVE OF GOD
TOWARD US...GOD SENT HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN
SON INTO THE WORLD.

1 JOHN 4:9

