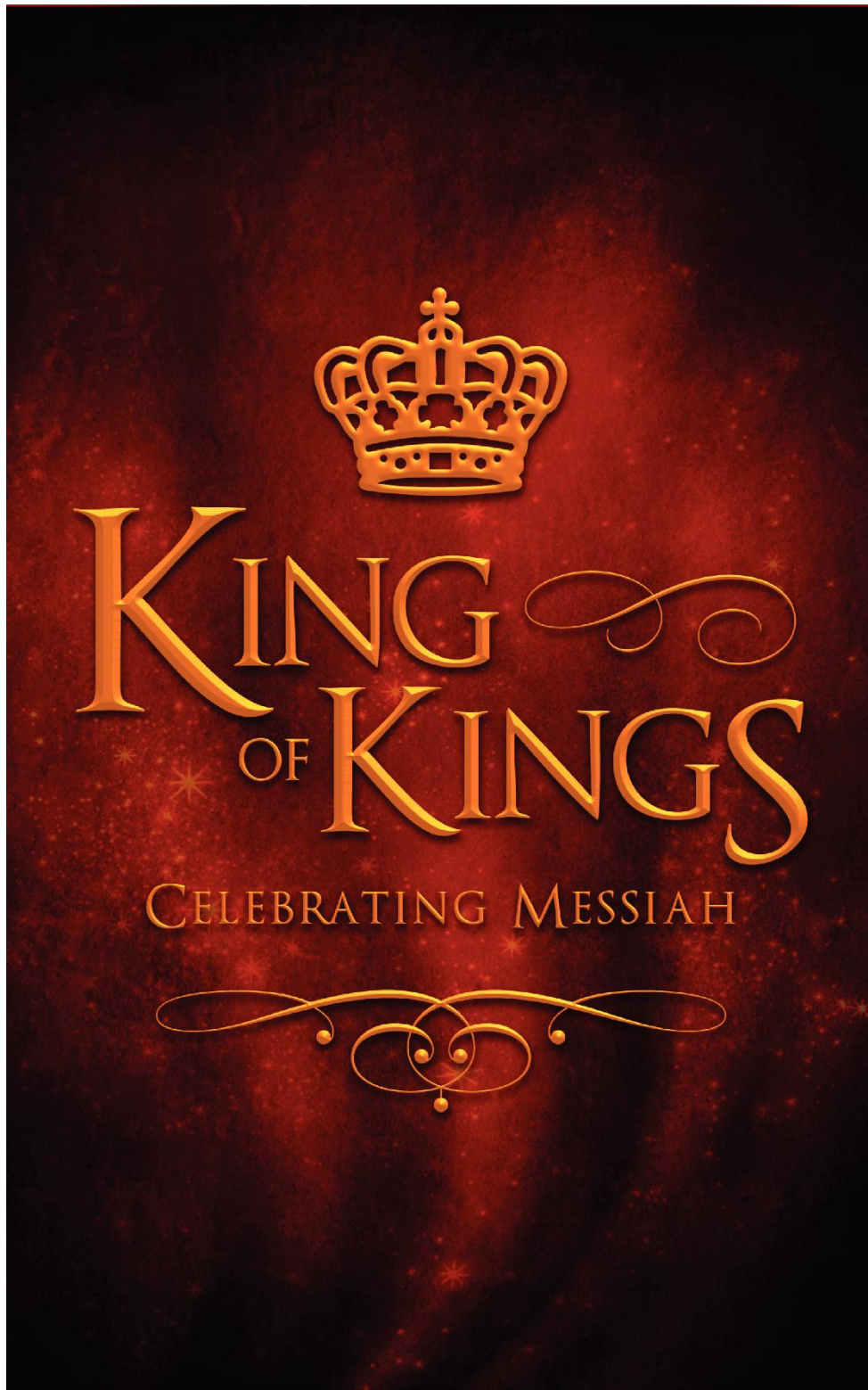




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December 21, 2025 | 10:45am

Worship to the Son of God

CALL TO WORSHIP – Luke 2:14

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace
among those with whom he is pleased!”

*HYMNS OF ADORATION “Angels We Have Heard on High”

*Note: The phrase ‘Gloria in excelsis deo’ is Latin for ‘Glory to God in the highest’

“He knew her not until she had given birth to a son.
And he called his name Jesus.” (Matthew 1:25)

“What Child Is This?”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

ADVENT CANDLES: “**THE PROPHECIES OF REDEMPTION**”

CANDLE 3: SON CANDLE

Lighting of the candles – John and Christine and Selah Gallo

Readings: Isaiah 9:2–7

Elder Prayer for Widowers & Widows

CONFESSION OF FAITH | APOSTLES’ CREED

*HYMN OF GRACE “Christus Victor”

PRAISES & REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*SCRIPTURE READING **John 1:1–18** (p.1127)

**PRAYER OF ENLIGHTENMENT

MESSAGE Immanuel Today Pt. 2

*HYMN OF FAITH “Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

BENEDICTION

*HYMN OF SENDING ... “Angels We Have Heard on High” (Chorus)

Glo- - - -ria In excelsis Deo!

Glo- - - -ria In excelsis Deo!

*Please stand as you are able

**Children's worship is available age 4 through 1st grade

December 21, 2025

"Jesus Christ for Western Beaver County"

Songs for Worship

1 | Angels We Have Heard on High (TPH 318)

1. Angels we have heard on high,
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains, in reply,
Echo back their joyous strains.

Chorus: *Glo- - - -ria In excelsis Deo!*
Glo- - - -ria In excelsis Deo!

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be,
Which inspire your heav'nly song?

Chorus

3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come adore, on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the new born King.

Chorus

3 | Christus Victor (Amen)

1. O Most High King of the ages
Great I Am God of wonders
By the blood You have redeemed us
Led us through mighty waters
Our strength our song our sure salvation.

Chorus:
Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing honor glory and power
For the battle You have won
Hallelujah Amen

2. O most High dwelling among us
Son of man sent for sinners
By Your blood You have redeemed us
Spotless Lamb mighty Savior
Who lived who died who rose victorious.

Chorus 2:
Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing honor glory power
For the battle You have won, Hallelujah
With every tribe and every tongue
We join the anthem of the angels
In the triumph of the Son
Hallelujah Amen

3. O most High King of the nations
Robed in praise crowned with splendor
On that day who will not tremble
When You stand Christ the Victor
Who was and is and is forever. **Chorus 2**

Bridge: Amen. Amen. Amen. (2x)

Chorus 2

Amen. Amen. Amen.

2 | What Child Is This (No.180)

1. What child is this who laid to rest

On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping.
This, this is Christ the King
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing.
Haste, haste to bring Him laud
The Babe the Son of Mary.

2. Why lies He in such mean estate

Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian fear for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce Him through
The cross be borne for me for you.
Hail, hail the Word made flesh
The Babe the Son of Mary.

3. So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh

Come peasant king to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise the song on high
The virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy for Christ is born
The Babe the Son of Mary.

4 | Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

1. Come behold the wondrous myst'ry

In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us.

2. Come behold the wondrous myst'ry

He the perfect Son of Man
In His living in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in Him we stand.

3. Come behold the wondrous myst'ry

Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured love untold.

4. Come behold the wondrous myst'ry

Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord He is alive
What a foretaste of deliv'rance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when He comes.
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Welcome

Welcome to worship. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today. If you have any questions about God, the Bible, or our church, or would just like to say hello, please talk with Pastor Jeff.

Nursery is available. See or call JoAnna with any questions. 724-601-7153.

- **Children's Worship**, led by Naomi Shepler & Helper Bethany Forton

The Lord's Day

9:30am – Sunday Education Hour

Sunday School opens at 9:30am in the sanctuary.

Sunday School Superintendent: Kara Masters

Kids and Youth Classes

Toddlers thru K: Room LL 203 Marie Fowler,
Diane Justice & Marci Thoman

1st thru 3rd: Room LL204 - Linda D'Angelo
& Jodi Billheimer

4th thru 5th: Room LL304 Kara Masters
& Joanna Zehnder

6th thru 8th: Basement Library – Heidi Shepler

9th thru 12th: Youth Room – Josiah Forton

Advent Adult Class

Grasping Jesus' First Advent with Pastor Emeritus Ric Raines
| Fellowship Hall

Communicant's Class (6th-12th grade) with Pastor Jeff |
Conference Room (by kitchen)

Sunday Worship

10:45am Third Advent Morning Worship – Pastor Jeff will finish a two-part message on "Immanuel Today." Last week, we heard the theology of Immanuel. This week, the practice. We will focus on the end of John 1:1-18. What difference must belief in an Immanuel God make on our lives?

6pm Evening Worship – "Take heart, I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Feeling down and defeated? Only hearing bad news? Come and hear about the final victory of Jesus Christ. Let the nations rage. Let sin and division do its worst. But in the end, Jesus wins. And he not only wins, but Revelation describes his victory seven times over. Don't hesitate to come and receive the news: Revelation 19 is the first of a series of Final Victories of total Restoration.

This Week

This week the office will be open on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9am – 2pm.

Monday

10am Bowling – at Walnut Lanes

Tuesday

6-8pm Fairview Food Pantry – we would like to restock the shelves with Soups, Chunky soups, Crackers, Syrup, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta, Oatmeal Packets, Sloppy Joe mix, Canned Ravioli, Ramen Noodle, etc.

Wednesday

7pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service - The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service is a simple but elegant reminder that into this dark world, a great light shines. Jesus is "the Light of the world" (John 8:12). Offerings received that night will go to the *Look/After Fund*, a fund for PCA pastors or their widows in need, which include missionaries as well as pastors.

Note: There are no kids or adult activities for the next two Wednesdays, as we reflect upon Christmas and the new year. These activities will resume on January 7, 2026 at 10am (Ladies Bible Study) and 6:30pm (Covenant Kids, the ROCK & Prayer & Study). Feel free to use this open time in the schedule to take the initiative to meet up with others of your church. Have someone over for a simple soup meal, or meet someone for coffee or dinner.

Thursday

Merry Christmas!

Next Sunday

9:30am Sunday Education Hour – Join us for the opening in the sanctuary, before heading to class.

10:45am Fifth Advent Morning Worship – Next week, a blessing: Welcome Rev. Jim Smith who will be joining us as our preacher. Jim is a friend to Fairview. "No Reserves, No Retreats, and No Regrets." (Philippians 3:12-21).

6pm Evening Worship – We are blessed to have Pastor Ric leading us this Sunday night. Come out and be blessed by musical worship, prayer, and a sermon from Scripture.

Congregational Announcements

Adult Education: Grasping Jesus' First Advent will be the Adult Class for the month of December. We will be digging into the details of Jesus' first coming into this world. Hopefully, to find new personal meaning. May the wonder of Jesus birth bring special joy and worship for each of us; despite perhaps a difficult year for you that has dramatically changed your life. Pastor Ric will be the guide for this advent study.

Angel Tree—*All gifts must be wrapped and placed under the tree today.* If you'd like the blessing of delivering the gifts to families in our area please see Edie Chaffee, she will give you the information needed to contact the recipients to schedule a delivery time before Christmas.

Church Christmas Cards – Our Christmas mailbox is located in the vestibule of the church for Christmas cards to fellow members and friends in the church. Young people will deliver the cards to the church "mailcans". *Please check your mailcans, some are overflowing.*

Pastor Away – Pastor Jeff and his family will be away until January 3. If you have any needs, please contact one of the elders. Kevin Chaffee, Ben Hardesty, Jeff Lyden, Mark Oosting, Scott Shepler & Giles te Velde.

Installation of Officers – Sunday, January 11, 2026. We will install the new church officers during the 10:45am Worship Service. We will also be having a luncheon afterwards. More info to come.

Treasurers – All church treasurers are asked to turn in their books and reports to the church office by Wednesday, January 14, 2026. The auditors will go over the treasurer books and give a report to the Deacons by the end of the month. We want to thank the treasurers, auditors, and Deacons for their faithful work.

Tabletalk Devotional for the month of January is available on the missions table in the crossover.

Snow Camp 2026, "For freedom Christ has set us free" For youth, 6th to 12th grade. What better Christmas present than to send your kids to a weekend of Scripture and fellowship with kids their own age?

* When: February 13-15, 2026

* Where: Laurelville Retreat Center

Camper registration

<https://ascensionpresbytery.churchcenter.com/registration/s/events/3130423>

We are no longer in need of counselors for Snow Camp!

Thank you to all who hopped in and volunteered their service. We look forward to an excellent camp! Sign up your kids!

YA-DULT Retreat 2026 – "A Weekend at the Movies" Feb. 27- March 1. At Laurelville Retreat Center. For 18-30(ish). Scan the QR code that is on the poster in the kitchen for more info. Two speakers, team-teaching: Pastors Jeff Zehnder and Jon Price (Covenant Community). The topic: "Wisdom from Above" (James 3:13-18)

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Worship Helpers

Worship Leader.....Kevin Chaffee
Audio-VisualGideon te Velde & Caleb Miller
Musicians.....Linda D'Angelo, Josiah Forton
& Kara Masters
Vocalist.....Hannah Forton
Children's Worship.....Naomi Shepler & Bethany Forton
Nursery.....Kim & Bethany Forton & Abby Stenswold
Greeters.....John & Christine Gallo & Family
UshersTim Shepler, Austin Carelli
John Hooks & Jacob Shepler

Next Week's Helpers

Worship LeaderBen Hardesty
Audio-Visual.....Caleb Miller & Noah Oosting
Musicians.....Linda D'Angelo, Josiah Forton
& Amy Hardesty
Vocalist.....Lindsey Hollabaugh
Nursery.....Hannah & Grace Forton
Greeters.....John & Bre Hooks & Family
Ushers.....Brad Billheimer, Gideon te Velde
Josiah te Velde & William Phillips

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Helpers

Ushers.....Doug Masters, Noah Oosting
Micah Oosting & Rosh Raines
Musicians.....Linda D'Angelo, Josiah Forton
& Kara Masters
Vocalist.....Hannah Forton & Lindsey Hollabaugh

Sermon Notes

"Immanuel Today, pt. 2"

John 1:1–18 (p.1127)

Prayers & Praises

"Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep." (Romans 12:15)

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2)

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