

WELCOME TO GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Where Christ Is Central, the Bible Taught and People Care

Fourth Sunday of Advent - Joy

"I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord."
Luke 2:10-11

Prelude and Lighting of the Joy Candle	Cheri Lewis
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"	p. 133
Welcome & Prayer	Pastor Paul Hurst
Luke 1:26-38	Sue Heck
"Still, Still, Still"	Barry Lewis, Cello
"O Little Town of Bethlehem" (verses 1 & 2)	p. 141
Matthew 1:18-23	Reading 142
"The First Noel" (verses 1,2 & 6)	p.136
Luke 2:1-7.....	Karl Jacobsen
"Away in a Manger" (verse 1)	p. 157
"Angels, from the Realms of Glory" (verses 1 & 2)	p. 131
Luke 2:8-14	Reading 130
"Angels We Have Heard on High" (verses 1 & 4)	p. 132

The Church in Prayer

Our Tithes and Offerings

"O Come All Ye Faithful" – Grace Bells

Luke 2:15-20	Greg Vlasak
"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" (verses 1, 3 & 5)	p. 135

"Jesus the Son of Man"

Acts 1:9-11 and Daniel 7:13-14, 27

Pastor Paul Hurst

Vocal Solo..... Elisa DeGroot

Lighting of the Christ Candle

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light: on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned . . . I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."
Isaiah 9:2 & John 8:12

"Silent Night! Holy Night!" p. 147

Benediction & Postlude

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**Bruce & Cecille Van Zante**  
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Greetings from the Philippines! We hope you've been enjoying the season and have had time to reflect anew on its meaning for us as followers of Jesus.

It can be refreshing to think about familiar truths through the eyes of someone learning them for the first time. In September, the four Gospels and Acts we've been working on were published and made available. After reading John 3:16 in her language for the first time, one believer excitedly asked her missionary friend, "Have you seen this?!" Please pray with us for the Holy Spirit to prepare many to receive God's Word with wonder, conviction of its truth, and faith in Jesus.

Blessings to you this Christmas and in 2018,

Bruce & Cecille

## Continue to pray for our Grace Missionaries

**Bread of Life Food Pantry:** Madison, WI  
**Child Evangelism Fellowship:** Madison, WI  
**Lake Waubesa Bible Camp:** McFarland, WI  
**Erika Zimmerman:** Kairos, Reign Ministries, Minneapolis  
**Kory & Laura Eller:** OC International, Spain  
**Bus & Jean Dawson:** T-K Ministries, Inc., Philippines  
**Sam & Sharon Mall:** Ripe For Harvest, India/South Asia  
**David & Sue Rousseau:** Harare Theological College, Zimbabwe  
**Terrell & Mary Smith:** IVCF- International, UW-Madison

**8:30 a.m., every Sunday: Prayer Time in the Church Library.**

**After Fellowship Time:** Sunday School for adults in the sanctuary. Sunday School for kids in the lower level.

**Bible Study at the Dawson's: January 16, 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome. (Oakwood East, 5555 Tancho Drive, #326, Phone: 230-3493)

**Women's Bible Study at the Dawson's:** The women's Bible Study next meeting will be **January 16, at 9:30 a.m.** (Oakwood East, 5555 Tancho Drive, #326, Phone: 230-3493)

**Men's Saturday Morning Breakfast Bible Study:** The men's Saturday morning breakfast Bible Study will meet in fellowship hall. They will continue studying Genesis. Upcoming dates will be announced.

**The Deaconesses would greatly appreciate some help** taking down, and storing, the sanctuary Christmas trees next Sunday, after Sunday School.

### Anniversaries & Birthdays

27 – Dwayne Hoffmann

Contact the church for prayer request by calling 608-222-1605 or email [gracechurch4you@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gracechurch4you@sbcglobal.net).



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