**Assurance of Pardon and Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen**

(Blue Hymnal No.579)



**“He Is Exalted”**                   P1-26          Paris

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

I will praise Him.

He is exalted, forever exalted

And I will praise His name.

He is the Lord.   Forever His truth shall reign.

Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

**“Speak His Name”**               LHU-28            Marsh

Speak His name, speak His name,

Speak the lovely name of Jesus.

God is with us, call Him Immanuel, Immanuel.

Speak His name, speak His name,

Speak the lovely name of Jesus.

God is with us, call Him Immanuel.

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.**Scripture 1: Zephaniah 3:14-20** (p. 1349)

**Scripture 2:** **Luke 3:7-18** (p. 1462)

**Faith and Engagement**



**“Joy to the World  ”**  **No. 40**

(Blue Hymnal)

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**Prayers of the Pastor and the People with Praise and Thanksgiving**

*share briefly names & situations to lift to God in prayer – we know God is more than able to hold all we offer & God knows the details!*  Lord in Your mercy…**Hear our prayer**

**Blessing**



**“Halle, Halle, Halle-lujah (X3)**

**Hallelujah, Hal-le-lu-jah!”**

**Personal Milestones**

**December 15- Emma Drake**

**December 18 – Sharon Comfort**

**Tom and Marina Billott**

**Prayer Concerns**

Prayer person: **Jean Schanbacher**

Prayer young person**: Luca Maratea**

Prayer theme for young adults: **faith**

All medical professionals, emergency responders & those serving

in hospitals, nursing homes & care facilities

Military folks & family - the USA & all those in leadership

S-VE School Board members, administrators, teachers & others

North Spencer Christian Academy

Church Finances

Food Cupboard

New Life Baptist

**Calendar**

[Sunday, -- 4PM Remembrance Service](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g2d64aaa7721_0_0)

[Monday,-- 10AM-2PM Organ Carol-a-thon: Organ Playing (Christmas Music)](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g31b740c741b_0_102)

Monday -- 6PM AA

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Wednesday -- 11AM Adult Study

Friday -- 11AM Women's Bible Study

Friday -- 1:30PM Chair Yoga

Sunday  -- 10AM Adult Study – 11 AM Worship

**Community Events:**

Mon. 10AM Story Hour @ Spencer Library

Wed. 4-5:30PM [Open Hearts Dinner @ Mckendree GMC \*\*TAKE OUT ONLY\*\*](https://mckendreechurch.com/dinner/)

3rd Thurs. 10-11:30AM [Mom-toMom group @ Inspire](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g1c795de9d17_0_10)(57 E. Tioga St, Spencer)

3rd Fri. 11:30-12:30PM [Sr. Social Hour @ Inspire RSVP @607-687-4120](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g152fbc6adfa_0_0)

\*\*[Candor Events: (candornychamber.org)](http://www.candornychamber.org/)

**12/15**: 4PM [Remembrance Service - all welcome to remember someone(s) who have passed away in 2024 (or any year) - to have (a) name(s) included call Gary @ (607) 589-4900.](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g2d64aaa7721_0_0)

**12/16**: 10AM-2PM [Organ Carol-a-Thon](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g31b740c741b_0_102)@Christ the King Church - come hear Dave Jackson play live organ music (& take requests) bring a book, a coffee, or a snack (or all three!) all welcome to enjoy some lovely music!  #love (75 N. Main Street)

**12/17**: 10AM-2PM [Organ Carol-a-Thon](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g31b740c741b_0_102)@Christ the King Church - come hear Dave Jackson play live organ music (& take requests) bring a book, a coffee, or a snack (or all three!) all welcome to enjoy some lovely music!  #love (75 N. Main Street)

**12/19**: 9-10:30AM Food Cupboard Christmas food give-away.  Both indoor (bring bags/boxes) shopping & pick-up options.  (Orchard St. near the "old" Dollar General; open to all who live or work in SVE School District)

**12/20**: 11:30AM-12:30PM [Spencer Senior Social Hour @ Inspire (](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g152fbc6adfa_0_0)57 E.Tioga St) \*RSVP\* (607) 687-4120

**12/21**: 3PM Community Christmas Caroling @ Spencer Pond (Gazebo) w/Lions Club Snacks!  All welcome!

**12/24**: 7PM [Christmas Eve Candlelight Service](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1gSIDLegOBYXijkgk1MtT7Jeih2Hxc-qX37O6fkYDjZw/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000&slide=id.g31b740c741b_0_152) @ Christ the King Church - all welcome (75 N. Main Street, Spencer)

Christ the King Fellowship

Presbyterian **#love**

**December 15, 2024 – 11:00 AM**

**Welcome**

**Prelude “People Look East”** arr by Dale Wood

**Call to Worship** (SING 1st 2 lines):

**Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.**  
**Wait for the Lord; be strong; take heart.**

**Advent Lighting Liturgy** (after hearing "...will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (pray together:) **We delight in the joy found in your presence, a fullness of joy that the world cannot give nor take away. This joy is a blessed assurance sealed with your love by the foretold birth of your son. This is a joy once discovered, can be made known to all and shared. Nothing else can fill the spaces of waiting; nothing else can light the path. Amen**

(The Doxology) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise \*Him,all creatures here below; Praise \*Him above, ye heavenly host;

PraiseFather, Son, and Holy Ghost.

**“People, Look East ”** vs. 1-4 **No. 12**

(Blue Hymnal)

**Call to Confession**

**Confession:** (from BCW) **God of the future, You are coming in power to bring all nations under Your rule.  We confess that we have not expected Your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring Your promised judgement.  We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse Your justice and peace.  In Your mercy, forgive us.  Grant us wisdom to welcome Your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world.  and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world** [*silent prayer & reflection; let the Holy Spirit identify any**sin that needs confessing - offer it to God* ***& let it go***

**“People Look East”** Eleanor Farjeon

1. People, look east. The time is near   
Of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able,  
Trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the guest, is on the way.

2. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,  
One more seed is planted there:  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,  
That in course the flower may flourish.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the rose, is on the way.

3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build,  
Guard the nest that must be filled.  
Even the hour when wings are frozen  
God for fledging time has chosen.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the bird, is on the way.

4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim  
One more light the bowl shall brim,  
Shining beyond the frosty weather,  
Bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the star, is on the way.

**“Joy to the World”** Isaac Watts

1. Joy to the world; the Lord is come;  
Let Earth receive her King;  
Let ev'ry Heart prepare him room,  
And Heav'n and nature sing.

2. Joy to the Earth, the Savior reigns,  
Let men their Songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,  
Repeat the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
Nor thorns infest the ground;  
He comes to make his blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of his righteousness,  
And wonders of his love.