



## Welcome to

*Leitchfield United Methodist Church*



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# Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Service

5:30 PM

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

### Hymn

The First Noel

## Advent Candle Lighting

### Hymn

Away in a Manger

## Pastoral Prayer

## Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
    Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord;  
    who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
        born of the Virgin Mary,  
        suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
        was crucified, dead, and buried;  
    the third day He rose from the dead;  
        He ascended into heaven,  
    and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
    from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
    the holy catholic\* church,  
        the communion of saints,  
        the forgiveness of sins,  
        the resurrection of the Body,  
    and the Life everlasting. Amen.

\*catholic church is the Church Universal

## Scripture

Luke 2:8-20

## Message

Do Not be Afraid: Good News for all People

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name;  
Thy kingdom come;  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

## Communion

Closing Hymn

Silent Night

Luke 2:8-20

<sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a Baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup> “Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests.”

<sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

<sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the Baby, who was lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup> When they had seen Him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this Child, <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

<sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

<sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

## *Sermon Notes*



### ***Welcome to Leitchfield United Methodist Church***

Thank you for joining us for Worship. We appreciate you sharing some information with us on the Visitor's Card in the pew shelf. We pray that you sensed God's presence with us, and that you were given "Christmas nourishment" through the service. We invite you to join us again soon.

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

*Wed 24      5:30 pm, Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Sanctuary  
No Celebrate Recovery  
7:00 pm, AA/NA, The Well*

*Thur 25      Church office is closed, No activities*

*Fri 26      10:00 am, AA/NA, Church Basement  
Church office is closed  
Thrift Shop is closed.*

*Sat 27      10:00 am, AA/NA, Church Basement*

*Sun 28      9:00 am, Sunday School  
10:00 am, Worship*

*Please remember this is a list of church events only. If you wish to use a facility or amend your scheduled time, please inform the office.*

## **LUMC & Community Info**

Kid's Activity Packets and lap blankets are located in the vestibule.

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There will be no Pickleball at The Rock Christmas Week, December 22-26.

\*If you would like an announcement to be put in the bulletin, please contact the church office no later than Wednesday morning. Thank you!

**Church Office Hours:**

Thursday  
Friday

**Office Closed**  
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