

MARSING  
Church of the Nazarene

Sunday, November 29, 2020

LET'S JUST PRAISE THE LORD

Welcome	John Cossel
Chorus No. 157 – “Come, Though Long Expected Jesus” (both)	Congregation
Prayer of Invocation	John Cossel
Worship With Tithes and Offerings	
Offertory	Sandee Cossel
Friendship Time	

PRAISE THE LORD

Lighting of the First Advent Candle	Pastor Bill
Hymn No. 163 – “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (all verses)	
Hymn No. 162 – “Celebrate Immanuel’s Name” (all verses)	Congregation
Chorus No. 165 – “Emmanuel”	

LET'S JUST LIFT OUR HANDS TOWARD HEAVEN

Invitation to Prayer	Pastor Bill
Chorus No. 136 – “O Come, Let Us Adore Him” (stanzas 1 and 4)	
Open Altar – The Morning Prayer	
<i>(Feel Free to Gather and Lay Hands on Someone Needing God’s Touch)</i>	

AND PRAISE THE LORD

Special Music	John Cossel
<i>(Children May Leave for Children’s Church)</i>	
The Morning Message – “ <i>Company’s Coming</i> ”	Pastor Bill
Scripture: Matthew 1 and Luke 1 and 2	
Chorus No. 770 – “Give Thanks”	Congregation
Prayer of Benediction	Pastor Bill

WELCOME GUESTS

We are delighted that you have come to worship with us this morning. We welcome you. Please make yourself at home. This church is God’s church; therefore, it is your church, too.

Sit back, relax, and enjoy our Sunday morning family celebration. We would love to have you feel so at home here that you would allow us to “adopt” you and make you part of this wonderful fellowship called the Marsing Church of the Nazarene. We sincerely hope that you enjoy your visit with us. And please come again soon.

*Bill O’Connor, Pastor*

THIS AFTERNOON

A CAPELLA ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL  
this afternoon at 5:00.

TONIGHT AT 6:00

PASTOR WILL FINALLY SHARE THE DVD of the O’Connor family’s recent trip through Montana, North and South Dakota and Wyoming. You will enjoy the journey, and along the way you will meet several important persons who were prominent in the history of the American West. Join us for a fascinating journey.

Those who wish to remain following the service will then help decorate the church Christmas tree as we enjoy the comradery of the season.

PLEASE SHARE OUR 2021 CALENDARS with your family members, neighbors and friends. Take some today.

NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL – 10:00 a.m.

What better way to reinforce your enjoyment of the Advent and Christmas seasons than by faithful attendance in both Sunday School and church. You will be blessed by growing the two hour every Sunday morning habit.

MORNING WORSHIP – 11:00 a.m.

Pastor will continue his series of special messages for Advent with a sermon titled “*Hopeful Preparation.*” As Christmas approaches, we need to prepare the way for the Lord to come, and that means removing the roadblocks that stand in His way. Those might be different for each of us, but we need to identify them and get them out of the path that the Lord wants to travel as He moves into our lives in new ways during the season.

PRAISE AND STUDY – 6:00 p.m.

We will enjoy the twentieth annual Sunday Night at the Christmas Cinema. This year pastor will show what he considers to be the finest – and most spiritually sensitive – version of Charles Dickens “*A Christmas Carol.*” Viewing it will greatly enhance your appreciation of Christmas. Plan to be present for a highly inspirational evening.

*Advent*  
A Season of Hope  
& Expectation

THE CHRISTMAS CARD RACK IS NOW IN THE FOYER. Bring your cards for your church family members to church, place them in the appropriate baskets, and we’ll deliver them for you.

## NOTES OF INTEREST

**MORNING PRAYER TIME** every Sunday at 9:50 just to the right of the platform.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

*Keep praying for the salvation of your unsaved family members, neighbors and friends. Believe that God to bring it to pass.*

Continue to remember the health needs of Cheri O'Connor, Sharon Reizenstein, Leah Trent, Marilyn Chambers, Becky Hardaway, Jack Muldoon, John Peake, Merle Bachman, and Beverly Miller.

Keep praying for Ernal Bowers who will need a second surgical procedure to slow her heart, and for Cindy Foster who had surgery on her shoulder earlier this week.

Continue to pray for Karin Cordes and her continued recovery from covid.

Remember one or more members of your church family in prayer by name each day.

Ask the Lord to bless our nation and lead us back to spiritual and national health and prosperity.

Ask God to strengthen believers and help each to do everything possible to keep America a Christian nation.

Oppose Satan's attempts to weaken America by standing against him in prayer.

Pray that the Advent season and Christmas will be richly blessed by God as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior.

## OUR STEWARDSHIP

### WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday AM.....	\$ 371.91
Sunday PM.....	\$ 210.00
Month Total to Date.....	\$ 3617.81

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Sunday School.....	13
Morning Worship.....	20
Evening Praise.....	13

*Thanks to your financial faithfulness the church is staying whole and healthy.*

## FAMILY NEWS & NOTES



"We're having a quiet Christmas this year ..."

**PLANS FOR ADVENT ...** for those who choose to participate ...

❖ DVD PRESENTATION and the decoration of the sanctuary - this evening at 6:00.

❖ SUNDAY NIGHT AT THE CHRISTMAS CINEMA – Next Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

❖ CHRISTMAS POTLUCK – Sunday morning, December 13, following the morning service.

❖ ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY – December 20, 6:00 p.m.

## POINTS TO PONDER

### THE MEANING OF ADVENT

"The celebration of Advent is possible only to those who are troubled in soul, who know themselves to be poor and imperfect, and who look forward to something greater to come."  
– Dietrich Bonhoeffer

"At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God's own love and concern."  
– Mother Teresa

"The Lord is coming, always coming. When you have ears to hear and eyes to see, you will recognize him at any moment of your life. Life is Advent; life is recognizing the coming of the Lord."  
– Henri Nouwen

"Advent increases our hope, a hope which does not disappoint. The Lord never lets us down."  
– Pope Francis

"God of hope, I look to you with an open heart and yearning spirit. During this Advent season, I will keep alert and awake, listening for your word and keeping to your precepts. My hope is in you."  
– Matthew Kelly

"Advent: the time to listen for footsteps - you can't hear footsteps when you're running yourself."  
– Bill McKibben

"I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year."  
– Charles Dickens

OUR MISSION . . .

We will be a Living Witness  
to the Love of God by . . .

Sharing the Truth

Winning the Lost

Nurturing the Believer

Caring for the Needy

# Worship & Praise

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