

<u>Advent Wreath</u> –There is a sign up on the kiosk for those that would like to light the candles on the wreath on Sunday mornings. Still Need Volunteer for *Christmas Eve 6pm* 



**Sub for Santa Party** Thanks to so many of you sub for Santa party was a success! We served 21 people, ages 20-56 and Santa was a big hit! Thank so many of you for your generosity of food, drinks and beautiful gift packages!

Women's Christmas Retreat— Curious about Joy - A Utah Conference Women's Christmas Retreat on Saturday, January 11, 2025 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church in Salt Lake City. Based on a resource by pastor, poet and author Jan Richardson. Will include brunch, conversation, music and more. Registration fee is \$25. For more information, please see the flyer on the kiosk.

"ValMobile" – We are looking for volunteers that are able and willing to pick up Val Thurnell from her new home at Spring Garden Senior Living in Heber City and drive her to Shepherd of the Mountains on Sundays for Worship Service Sunday, 10:00am-11:00am, and a volunteer(s) to take her back home to Heber. If you are able to help with this or have any questions, please contact Kim Fry (435) 659-1802 or scan the code below. Thank you!





**Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00pm** ATempo Concert **Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm** Property Meeting

Tuesday, December 24th

4:00pm	Children's Service
6:00pm	Candlelight Service
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# with Holy Communion

Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> ...... Office Closed MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 am ..... Women's retreat
Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm ...... Game Night
Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> ..... Office Closed
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

#### ~Announcements this week~



#### LAST DAY TO PURCHASE POINSETTIA PLANTS:

Today is the last day to purchase a Poinsettia. \$10.00 per plant. Please see the kiosk or contact the office to purchase. Your name/family will be recognized in our Christmas Eve Worship bulletins and you may take the plant home after Christmas Eve services. Thank you!



### Serving us today at 10:00 am Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Der Assisting Minister:	Ken Miller		
<b>Lighting of Advent Wreath:</b> Hoffman			
Bryan, Kari, Tory & Tegan			
Reader:	Ann Miller		
Music:Steph	anie Hurt		
Altar Guild:Pam Evans/ Barb	Lorenzen		
Greeter: Barb	Lorenzen		
Usher:Jin	n Antinori		
Zoom Operator/Monitor:	. JJ Ehlers		
Media Slides Heather	Mugridge		
Fellowship:	Miller's		
Altar Flowers donated by: Kathry			
"In Memory of my mom's birthday-she would have			
turned 90 years young"			

#### TRAVELING TO BETHLEHEM

It has been a tradition since 2003 to have the trip to Bethlehem occur here at Shepherd of the Mountains. The members of the nativity are going to the crèche under the altar. If you want to be a part of Jesus' birth at the nativity, feel free to donate a figurine. Feel free to have it be original. ~ Merry Christmas!

### Micah 5:2-5a

<sup>2</sup>But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah. who are one of the little clans of Judah. from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel. whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. <sup>3</sup> Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. <sup>4</sup> And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth: <sup>5a</sup> and he shall be the one of peace.

## Matthew 1:18-25

<sup>18</sup>Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup>Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. <sup>20</sup>But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup>She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." <sup>22</sup>All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: <sup>23</sup>"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son. and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." <sup>24</sup>When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, <sup>25</sup>but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

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