

Sunday, December 29th,
2024



WELCOME!

Sunday, December 29nd, 2024 at 9am

Prelude

“O Tannenbaum”

Jackie Oakes

Welcome

Prayer of the Day

All: Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Carol:

Taking your Requests! You Pick!

Reading

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy wearing a linen ephod. His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the LORD"; and then they would return to their home. Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favor with the LORD and with the people.

Carol:

Taking your Requests! You Pick!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host! Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created. He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed. Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds! Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and women alike, old and young together! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him.

Praise the Lord!

Carol: Taking your Requests! You Pick!

Reading: Second Reading Colossians 3:12-17
As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Carol:

Taking your Requests! You Pick!

Gospel

Luke 2:41-52

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

Sermon

Pastor Robin Nehring-Brodie

In Hartland For Good



2025 Stewardship Campaign

Please return by January 19th
Commitments may be placed in
the offering plate or dropped off
in the office.

Apostles Creed

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died,
and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.
On the third day
He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand
Of the Father
And He will come to judge
the living 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

Prayers of the People

Filled with good news of great joy, let us offer our prayers for the church, the earth, and all people.

Brief silence...

For those who teach and those who learn, we pray. Bless the education ministries of your church. Guide Sunday school teachers, college and seminary professors, and Bible study leaders in our ongoing faith formation and curiosity. God of grace,

Receive our prayer

For the thriving of creation, we pray. Protect the habits of pangolins and porcupines, penguins and parrots, all wild animals and creeping things. Increase our knowledge of the natural world and the care of its inhabitants. God of grace,

Receive our prayer

For the nations of the world, we pray. Raise up rulers who lead with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Let your peace rule in their hearts and in all lands. God of grace,

Receive our prayer

For the well-being of your people, we pray. Keep watch over all who travel this holiday season. Accompany those who are alone or ill. Console parents and children whose relationships are strained or severed. God of grace,

Receive our prayer

For the ministry of this place, we pray. Let the word of Christ dwell among us. In times of conflict, clothe us in love and move us to forgiveness. God of grace,

Receive our prayer

For your holy, beloved, and chosen ones of every time and place,
we give thanks. Draw us all into everlasting praise and joy. God of
grace,

Receive our prayer

We commend these prayers to you, O God, trusting your grace
made known to all, through the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace

*If you do not wish to shake
hands, simply share a
peace sign!*



Offering

“The Holly and the Ivy”

Jackie Oakes

Offering Prayer Carol:

Benediction

Pastor: God of endings and beginnings, God in the darkness and the
light, God, our hope for the journey, Bless and keep you now and
forever.

All: Amen

Closing Hymn

Taking your Requests! You Pick!

Pastor: Go in peace. And Server the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

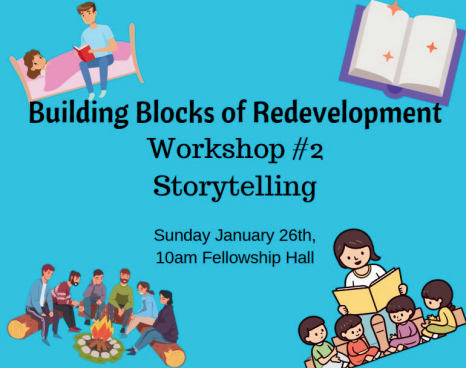
“Here We Come A-Wassailing”

Jackie Oakes

Building Blocks of Redevelopment
 Workshop #1
 Play
 Sunday January 12th 10am
 Fellowship Hall



Building Blocks of Redevelopment
 Workshop #2
 Storytelling
 Sunday January 26th,
 10am Fellowship Hall



Building Blocks of Redevelopment
 Workshop #3
 Failure
 Sunday, February 9th
 10am, Fellowship Hall



Building Blocks of Redevelopment
 Workshop #4
 Hospitality
 Sunday February 23rd
 10am Fellowship Hall



Happenings at Our Saviors!

2025

- January 12 – Building Blocks Redevelopment – Play
 - January 26 – Building Blocks Redevelopment – Storytelling
 - February 2 – Congregational Meeting/Timeline of Events
 - February 9 – Building Blocks Redevelopment – Failure
 - February 23– Building Blocks Redevelopment – Hospitality
 - March 3– Congregational Meeting– Budget
- Dates are subject to change