

12.25 2022

**Merry Christmas** to you and your family!

**Adult Ed and Sunday School classes** are on break until January 8. Small groups will resume after the holidays

**Night to Shine volunteer training:** January 8 -- 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. or January 23 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Hope Church, 200 North Fremont Street, Coldwater. Volunteer registration forms are in the lobby. Please see Amy Lonczkowski or Jennie d'Araujo if you can help. Night to Shine is on February 10, 2023.


**Blanketmakers** will meet again in January.

**Men's Steak Out** is coming to Coldwater on Saturday, January 14. See Pastor Jim for tickets.

**Connect!** - If you are new or have made a change to your contact information, please fill out a "Connect" card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to one of the greeters. This is how we can text or email you with updates and important information during the week.

**In Case of Inclement Weather** -- Worship service will be available on Facebook or YouTube at 9:30 a.m. Pastors Jim and Dave will normally be at church for those who want to brave the weather and venture out.

**For the parents of our little ones:** There is a room behind the sanctuary for parents of restless toddlers. The **nursery** (up the stairs, first door on the left) is also open and the service is available to be viewed and listened to there. Kids through fifth grade will be dismissed for **Children's Church** during worship if they wish to participate.

 **Ways to Give:** Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to [bethelgilead.org](https://bethelgilead.org) (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left and using PayPal. You can authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form (on the information desk in the lobby or contact the office).

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*A Season of Hope  
Love, Joy, Peace,  
Found in CHRIST*

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Bethel Gilead Community Church

**Call to Worship:** Kathy Alger

**Announcements and Opening Prayer**

**Opening Worship:** *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear* -- Hymn 128 (V. 1,4)  
*The First Noel* -- Hymn 136 (v. 1,2)  
*Once in Royal David's City* -- Hymn 155 (v. 1,2)  
*Joy to the World* -- Hymn 125 (v. 1,3,4)

**Advent Wreath** The Wickey Family

**Poem:** Donna Green

**Angels on Assignment**

*Introduction*

*Christmas Angels*

I. Angels Among Us

*Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing, some people have entertained angels without knowing it. ([Hebrews 13:2](#))*

II. Christmas: Heightened Angelic Activity

- \*Gabriel and Zechariah
- \*Gabriel and Mary
- \*Joseph and angelic dreams
- \*Angels and shepherds

III. The Angelic Realm

- \*Created beings
- \*Fallen angels
- \*"The Angel of the Lord"

IV. Angels on Assignment

*Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation? ([Hebrews 1:14](#))*

**Closing Song:** *Silent Night* -- Hymn 147 (v. 1,2,3)

# Live the Life with Prayer

Recent additions

Jonas Rigg --kidney issues  
Kim Paul -- stage 4 cancer  
Tom Schoenherr - Physical decline  
The family of Eloise Franke  
The family of Christine Neesley  
Russ Heckathorn -- chemotherapy  
Al Miller - recurrence of cancer

Praises

Jo Mayer -- healing from broken arm  
The birth of Gideon Carpenter  
Norm Carpenter -- recovering from surgery and cancer free  
Numerous members recently recovered from Covid

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Lynn Mayer -- dealing with double vision, balance issues  
Dawn Lane -- breast cancer  
Don Rubley -- bladder cancer  
The Carpenter Family  
Dale Davis -- dialysis and gall bladder issues  
Lisa Franks -- pain management

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn  
Neil Hannah -- at home on hospice  
Betty Carpenter -- Laurels

Pray for our nation and the world during these uncertain days

Our Mission

*"We honor God through regularly assembling together to worship Him as Lord, study and obey His word, and attend to the needs of His people. When we leave, we go out commissioned as Christ's representatives to a needy world."*