



- *CONNECTING YOU WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY* -

**Greeters**

Cathy Sorg  
Lois & Kent Hagadorn  
Joanna & Dick Markley  
Joyce McClintock

**Ushers**

Marylou & Chuck Stambaugh

**Chancel Flowers**

Patti Mackley, in memory of her son, Christopher Bailey, as he celebrates with angels on his 58th birthday  
Carolyn McGuigan, in memory of her parents, Walter & Ruth Henry

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Gathering Song *"Angels from the Realms of Glory"*

Welcome & Greeting Josh Witmer

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us present ourselves before God.

Bring all your troubles and anxiety to God in prayer.

**People: Surely God knows our thoughts and hears our prayers.**

**We find strength for living as we praise God.**

Leader: Lay down your arrogance and false pride. Admit your needs as you seek God's favor.

**People: We pour out our souls before the living God.**

**We do not withhold from God our misery and distress.**

Leader: God grants our petitions and gives us peace. The counsel of our God gladdens our hearts.

**All: In God's presence there is fullness of joy.**

**As we meet, we are encouraged and provoked to love others as ourselves.**

Ministry Highlights

\*Song

*"Go Tell it on the Mountain"*

Prayer of Confession

**We bring our prayers to You, gracious God,  
sensing that there is more to life than the ways we have known.  
We are drawn to the Messiah, yet we shrink from following where faith leads.  
We are afraid of what we might lose if we are guided by the Spirit.  
Thoughts of sacrifice and servanthood are not appealing to us.  
We are reluctant to have a close relationship with You.  
We think we know better than You, what is best for us.  
Forgive our arrogance. Help us see the Christ. Amen.**

Offering

Allen Stambaugh

Anthem

*"All is Well"*

Prayers of the People

Jenny Kutzner

Scripture

Hebrews 10:23-25 (NRSV)

Message

**"Provoked to Love"**

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Closing Song

*"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"*

Sending Blessing

Leader: Go forth in confidence that God remembers you.  
Go in peace, knowing you will find blessings in abundance.

**People: God is with us wherever we go.**

**We seek to recognize the blessings we have ignored.**

Leader: Live your lives in a continuing relationship of prayer.

Listen for the counsel God offers every day.

**People: There is a word for us in every situation.**

**God is always ready to guide our decisions.**

Leader: A new and living way opens before us.

We are learning to encourage our sisters and brothers.

**All: We seek to provoke one another to love**

**and to do good deeds as we live together in joy as God's people.**

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Please be sure to take poinsettias

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