



This Sunday is the 4th Sunday in Advent. Scott Sabo will be lighting the Candle of Gifts. Join us as we prepare to receive God's greatest Gift to all.

Mr. Richard Garrick will be sharing his music with us. He will be joining Harold on trumpet for the prelude, anthem, postlude and hymns.

We will observe a special holiday tradition during both services - our Chrismon Tree. Myrtle Leek and members from our Mariner's group in the 70's made these decorations by hand. They are symbols, or monograms, of Christ.

Pastor will be speaking from [Luke 2:1-14](#).

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Christmas caroling is Sunday evening. Meet at the church at 5:30. We will have refreshments at the manse. Dress festive!

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Monday is Christmas Eve. The Family Worship Service will begin at 5:00pm. Children need to be here by 4:30. Traditional worship with our Chancel and Handbell Choirs will begin at 7:00pm. Let us come with reverence to welcome our New Born King!

Our Christmas Eve cash offering will benefit the Women's Shelter in Northfield. Please give generously, as many local charities have seen giving decrease as giving to hurricane relief has increased. Considering the tragedy in Connecticut, this support of needy families is very appropriate.

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Many thanks for all the Christmas Poinsettias in our church. Anyone who donated a plant can take theirs home after the 7:00pm service Christmas Eve.

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The annual meeting is January 27. We need committee and group reports in the office by January 7 for the report book.

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Don't forget to check your mailboxes. Calendars, church directories, offering envelopes, cards, etc., are stuffed tightly.

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The office will be closed December 25. May God's Gift of the Christ Child bless you and your family throughout the coming year. Merry Christmas!

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Saturday, January 26, John Taylor Concert tickets for your reserved seats will be available from Joanie starting January 2. A Love Offering will be taken. See the January Good News and posters for all details.

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All 2012 financial transactions must be submitted to the treasurer by Thursday, January 3, 2013 for end of year reporting.

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Please remember in prayer ~
JoAnne Morgan
Ruth Eberhard
Ruth Bird
Newtown, Conn. Families

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This Week in Our Church . . .

Sunday

8:45 Breakfast
9:30 Sunday School & Worship
10:30 Refreshments
11:00 Worship & A₂J
5:30 Caroling

Monday

Christmas Eve

5:00 Family Worship
7:00 Traditional Worship

Tuesday

Merry Christmas

Wednesday

9:00 Office Reopens

Thursday

Friday

Saturday