

# Church in the Forest

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Monday morning, December 18, 2017

Dear Friends,

Are you going to church three days in a row?—December 23, 24 AND 25? This year the calendar and God give us three successive days to build our understanding of the Christmas story.

These are very different but special worship services to which we can invite friends, neighbors and long-missing members. And, while our music and sanctuary will be beautiful, you are the most important embodiment of the Christmas message. Please pray for God to use you to spark new faith, share needed love, and sow hope for the struggling. We have three days and ways to be God's Christmas card.

See you Sunday, Monday and Tuesday,

—Pastor Joanne



*Ken Joanne Jacqui Melinda Mary*

## A SPECIAL TREAT

At coffee hour, notecard sets featuring our own sanctuary dressed for Christmas will be for sale December 23. Our fellow member **Jacqui Coleman's** exquisite watercolor is a timeless image that brings joy to all who see it. Thank you, **Jacqui**, for allowing us to use your image to benefit the church.

## Calendar

**Sunday December 23, 2018 — 4th Sunday in Advent**  
**9:00 AM Bible Study will NOT meet December 23 or 30. Resumes January 6**  
**Passages** Isaiah 9: 6–7; Psalm 95: 1–5; Luke 1: 39–45  
**Lector** Howard Colehower **Crucifer** Marta Cayce  
**Fellowship** Marge Moore  
**Flowers** Sigurd Hadland  
**Ushers** Jack Davis and Howard Colehower  
**Altar Care** Martha Jordan, Linda Hanel, Linda Mackie, Ruth Horn  
**Sermon** The Reverend Joanne M. Swenson  
**Title** Sermon Series: *The Songs of Christmas*  
**This Sunday:** “*Surprised by Joy! God is Near!*”

**Monday December 24, 2018 — Christmas Eve**  
**5:30 PM Chapel Concertino 6:00 PM Service of Lessons & Carols**  
**Readers** Joe Wandke, Jacquelyn Coleman, Phil Bowhay, Evelyn Musavi, Sig Hadland  
**Crucifer** Skip Lord **Flowers** Arlen & Cindy Lackey  
**Ushers:** Arlen Lackey, Gus Diaz, Kim & Dave Caneer, Tonneke & Wim van der Linden  
**Altar Care** Martha Jordan, Linda Hanel, Linda Mackie, Ruth Horn  
**Homily** The Rev. Joanne M. Swenson, Th.D.

**Tuesday December 25, 2017 — Christmas Day**  
**9:45 AM Chapel Concertino 10:00 AM Holy Communion**  
**Passages** Isaiah 52: 7–10; Psalm 98; Luke 2: 8–16  
**Lector** Dr. Swenson **Crucifer** ?  
**Flowers** Arlen & Cindy Lackey  
**Ushers** ?  
**Prayers of the People** Ken Feske  
**Altar Care** Martha Jordan, Linda Hanel, Linda Mackie, Ruth Horn  
**Sermon** The Reverendw Ken Feske  
**Title** Sermon Series: *The Songs of Christmas*  
**This Day:** “*Gloria In Excelsis*” (*The Angels’ Song*)

**Sunday December 30, 2018 — First Sunday of Christmas**  
**9:00 AM Bible Study will NOT meet December 30. Resumes January 6**  
**9:45 AM Chapel Concertino 10:00 AM Morning Prayer**  
**Passages** Colossians 3: 12–17; Psalm: 148; Luke 2: 21–35  
**Lector** Dennis Riley **Crucifer** Marta Cayce  
**Ushers** Marilyn Gorman & Linda Mackie  
**Fellowship** Victoria Carns  
**Flowers** Mary Wiltse & Art Grater  
**Altar Care** Martha Jordan, Linda Hanel, Linda Mackie, Ruth Horn  
**Sermon** The Reverend Ken Feske  
**Title** Sermon Series: *The Songs of Christmas*  
**This Sunday:** “*What Are You Waiting For?*” (*The Song of Simeon*)

**PLEASE NOTE:** *The office will be closed after Christmas (no newsletter that week) and will reopen Wednesday, January 2, 2018. If you need to be in touch with a minister, please feel free to call Ken Feske at (831) 229-7160.*

*Music Box*

ADVENT IV — DECEMBER 23, 2018

**WILDCOAST BRASS QUINTET**

**Kevin Jordan**, trumpet     **Charles Old**, trumpet  
**Ruth Jordan**, horn     **Steve Mortensen**, trombone  
**Jim Paoletti**, tuba

**Lisa Parente**, soprano  
**Melinda Coffey Armstead**, piano & organ

*CHAPEL CONCERTINO FOR ADVENT IV*

Christmas Day..... Gustav Holst (1874 -1934), arr. R. Block  
Quintet..... Michael Kamen (1948 - 2003)  
Christmas Carol Festival.....Paul Nagle (b. 1947)  
Some Children See Him..... Wihla Hutson & Alfred Burt  
Ding, Dong! Merrily on High..... Traditional Carol,  
arr. Luther Henderson

What can I give Him,  
Poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd  
I would bring Him a lamb-  
If I were a Wise Man  
I would do my part-  
Yet what I can, I give Him,  
Give my heart.

—*Christina Rossetti*



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As cold approaches, The **Victory Mission** in Salinas needs adult clothing—SOCKS! sweatshirts, hoodies, windbreakers, jeans, shirts, caps, hats, t-shirts, shoes, tennis shoes, jackets and BLANKETS. Please bring your clean and serviceable items to church December 16 and December 23. Church member and Mission supporter **Marge Moore** will receive your goods. For more information, or for home pick-up of your items, you may call **Marge at 831-272-3140**.

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