

MILLARD COMMUNITY COVENANT CHURCH

10 a.m. Worship Service

December 24, 2022—January 1, 2023

<u>Peaceful Place</u> by Kathy Richter Shuler, submitted by Eileen Guthrie

My father always went late to the barn and checked the livestock before bed. ...The barn, late at night, in the cold winter, is the most peaceful place in all the world. I can see why God chose the stable for the birthplace of His Son. I believe one can be closer to God in a barn with livestock than anywhere else. The cows are quiet, the sheep are lying down, many with lambs close by. Comforting soft sounds come from the hogs. This has always been my favorite place and time to sit and thank God for His many blessings. I thank my father, too, for showing me the most peaceful place in the world.

May you find a peaceful place this Christmas season, a place to thank God for blessing us and sending the greatest gift, our Savior Jesus. Merry Christmas! Pastors Chris and Sharon

Poinsettias in the sanctuary have been given in memory of Lavon Mamerow, Don & Elsie Schoenbeck, Anna Roth, Nancy Spaulding, and Matthew Schleich.



Sundays at Millard

Sunday School classes resume January 8 at 9:00 a.m. for adults, youth, and children.

The worship service begins at 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship can be viewed live or later on our YouTube Sunday Worship playlist. Sermon audio is also available on our website or on CD by request.

On **Christmas Day**, No in-person services, but wherever you are, whoever you are with, watch carols and praise for Christmas Day on our <u>YouTube channel</u>.

What's that new song? Check out our church Worship Music <u>Playlist</u> to hear some of the new music before Sunday mornings.

Upcoming Events

The **Christmas Eve** candlelight service is at the church at 7:00 p.m., following



by treats in the Fellowship Hall. During the service, we will receive an **offering for the Spirit of Hope Homeless Shelter**. Additional offerings for the shelter can be accepted on January 1, as well.

Sunday, **Christmas Day**, No in-person services, but wherever you are, whoever you are with, watch the time of carols and praise for Christmas Day on our <u>YouTube channel</u>.

Our Sunday School kids are selling bookmarks and Christmas ornaments to raise money for **Heifer International**. Look for the "cow bank" and display in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, January 1, please welcome Pastor Dave and Lois Auker back to Millard. Pastor Dave will lead the 10 a.m. service while the Nelsons are on vacation.

Help put away the **Christmas decorations** after the worship service on January 8. Bring a small batch of chili to share.

Choir Cantata "Bethlehem Morning"

Many thanks go to choir members, director Pastor Chris, narrator Jan Muzatko, and sound/ video operator Jan Baker!



Save the date: Congregational Annual meeting and potluck will be Sunday, January 29 immediately following the worship service. There is a proposed Constitution change posted in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact the church office if you need more information or are interested in becoming a member.

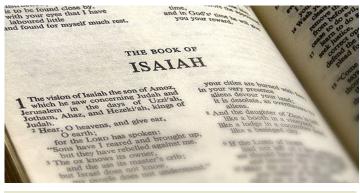
Happy Birthday!

December 22	LouAnn Getzen
December 28	Amanda Noehl
January 1	Fred Lawton, Corey Bruns
January 2	Jason Rice
January 7	Michelle Buelow
January 9	Donna Marshall
January 10	Craig Guthrie

Happy Anniversary!

December 23	Jim & Carol Dillner
December 31	David & Judy Boyd
January 10	Eric & Heather Anderson

Please let us know if we need to add or correct a birthday or anniversary.



<u>Christmas Eve- 7:00 p.m.</u> Advent Candles: Watsons Scripture: Luke 2:1-20, Readers: Watsons and Andersons Greeters/Ushers: Andersons Sound/Video: Brit Radloff

Sunday, Christmas Day

There will be no in-person services, but wherever you are, whoever you are with, watch our time of carols and praise for Christmas Day on our <u>YouTube channel</u>.

Next Sunday, January 1

Scripture: Acts 1:1-11 Scripture Reader: Jan Muzatko Message: "Is This the Year?" Pastor Dave Auker Greeters/Ushers: Needed Sound/Video: Doug Muzatko Coffee Set Up: Barb Papcke

Sunday, January 8

Communion Set Up and Servers: TBD Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6, Scripture Reader: Needed Message: Pastor Chris Greeters/Ushers: Needed Sound/Video: Jan Baker Coffee Set Up: Needed

Thank you for sharing in the work of God's church!

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