



Woodstock Presbyterian Church *This Week*

December 21 & 28, 2014
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Christmas Eve 8:00 p.m. Holy Communion Candle Lighting

Gifts That Endure: A Savior
Matthew 1:18-24; John 3:16

"God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son." (John 3:16a)

The Christmas Eve offering will be given to Cherokee/Canton MUST Ministries to help the needy.



*And heaven and nature sing...
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Sometimes we scurry so for joy that we forget what it feels like. Sometimes we work so hard for peace that we neglect the peace that is abiding with us. Sometimes we hope so much for hope that we miss the hopeful signs that are right underfoot.

Lord, let this week find each of us, with heaven and with nature, singing about you.

Until next time, Pastor Don Esa



Joys and Concerns

*"Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn."
(Romans 12:15)*

Joys: Healing: Judy Haworth (prayers for continued thanksgiving and hope as Judy places her future in God's hands); Chuck Wharton (respiratory ailment); Marge & Dick Pantley (respiratory ailment); Mike Mumbauer's mother Adeline Mumbauer (pain-free journey to heaven); Sue Mumbauer's father Bud Aiken (strength in fighting cancer); Marilyn Fegyo; Donna Moore's dad Phil Harris and friend Sharon Gwaltney (recovery from colon cancer surgery); Hortense (chemo therapy); Sharon Shuda's brother Don Goss; Richard Cowan (ALS); Rebecca Blackwell and her husband Wayne (Alzheimer's)

God's comfort, help, guidance: Lois Allen in the death of her husband Les; Sue McConnell's 92-year-old friend Christine and Diane; safe travels during the holiday season; Serenity Shuda (college search); Sharon Shuda, Kim and Jim Galloway in their job searches; Barbara and Bill Stillion's granddaughter Katie and her husband Matt (Liberia deployment to help in Ebola crisis); curbing Ebola around the world; college students Ashley Moore, Jayna Mumbauer; war against ISIS in the Middle East; our military personnel

Homebound: John Graul, James Ray

Woodstock/Trinity Churches, PCUSA: Our Session, Pastor Esa, our music leaders

Worship
December 21
Fourth Week of Advent
9:00 a.m.



Gifts That Endure: Joy

Isaiah 12:1-6; Luke 1:46-49; 2:8-12

"I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people." (Luke 14:10)

The session has called a Congregational Meeting immediately following the worship service on December 21, 2014, for the election of two people to fill upcoming vacancies on the session.

Worship
December 28
Sunday after Christmas
9:00 a.m.



Gifts That Endure: Faith

Psalm 90:1-2; 91:1-4, 9-11;
Romans 8:35-39; 2 Corinthians 5:6-7

"Therefore we are always confident... We live by faith, not by sight." (2 Corinthians 5:6a, 7)



It takes \$1487 each week in contributions to meet the budget at Woodstock Presbyterian Church, including the additional \$393 payment on the loan for the new roof. Recent offerings received:

Nov 23:	\$437.37
Nov 30:	\$2561.00
Dec 7:	\$3238.00
Dec 14:	\$426.00

The session has asked each giving unit in the church to consider giving an additional \$5 per week over their regular church contribution to meet the loan payment on the new roof. Many have responded. Thank you for your continued support of your church.



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