

TODAY SERVING US DURING WORSHIP

Pastor – Rev. Les Drayer
Song Leader – Amy Olsen
Audio – Mike Trank
Nursery Today -
Praise Band – Tom Moje, Alan Spring, Teresa Trank, Nicole York,
Kelly Moje & Ann Kennedy

Lay Leader – Doug Diez
Organist/Pianist – Alan Spring
Ushers Today – (volunteers)
Greeters Today – Bev Jeffery

Welcome To Ransomville United Methodist Church

December 7, 2008

Worship Time: 9:30 AM

Church Office Hours (716) 791-4978

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.
(Note! The church office will be closed on Wednesdays.)

Pastor Les will be in the church office most Thursdays from 9:30 – 11:00 AM.

Pastor Les: - Office Hours at Parsonage Office (716) 791-4940

Wednesdays – 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM. (most)

Fridays, Saturdays (most) from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

(If unavailable, please leave a message for a return call.) If you need to reach
Pastor Les for an emergency reason and cannot reach him then contact
Doug Diez at (716) 791-4791.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

(Please note that names will be removed after six weeks
to keep our prayer list fresh.)

Ransomville

Janet Fedak(6)
Patty Robins(2)
Jeanette Scibilia(2)
Fran Diez(1)
Dick Tower(1)

Fillmore Chapel

Patricia Gilfillan(5)
(Pam Lederhouse's twin sister)
Jane Wendt(4)
Darcy Perry(1)



Remember in prayer the men and women in our armed forces (Bruce Schultz,
Timothy Truesdell, Jeff Kramer, Ian Zerby, Eddie Jackson, Duane Jacob,
Justin Neumann, Scot Hanna, Scott Guzewish, Chaplain Little, EJ Lambert,
Mike Aube) and those who serve us and our community in government, police
and fire departments.

Our Mission Statement:

To be servants, disciples and leaders in sharing the love of
Jesus Christ.

WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS

(An asterisk indicates the congregation needs to stand.)

(Please note you may sit down whenever it bothers you to stand.)

OPEN MEDITATION: Pastor Les

*GLORIA PATRI: Hymnal No. 70

*GREETING: (please Share the Peace of Christ with one another.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: (Lord's Prayer with children)

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: Peace
The Moje Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (bulletin insert)
Birthdays, Anniversaries, Joys being celebrated this week

*PRAISING GOD IN SONG:

1. Angels We Have Heard on High (1st and 2nd verses) Hymnal No. 238
2. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (1st and 3rd verses) Hymnal No. 240

INTERCESSIONARY PRAYER:

1. Concerns which are not mentioned in the bulletin prayer list.
2. Silent Prayer at the altar. You may come forward and join the Pastor at the altar if you so desire. Let us take a few moments and reflect on our need for God's forgiveness.
3. Pastoral Prayer (Prayer concerns lifted up to God.)

OFFERING: ("We are an offering")

1. Ushers will please come forward and collect the offering.
2. *Doxology (Please stand) Hymnal No. 095
3. *Prayer

*HYMN OF PRAISE:
What Child Is This Hymnal No. 219

GOSPEL READING: Mark 1: 1 - 8

FULLY ALIVE IN GOD'S WORD: Pastor Les
Is the World Ready for Christmas?

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Greeting/Opening Prayer Hymnal No. 06

Prayer for Illumination: Hymnal No. 06

*COMMUNION HYMN:
Fill My Cup, Lord Hymnal No. 641

Response To The Word: Hymnal No. 07
Invitation: Hymnal No. 07

Confession and Pardon: Hymnal No. 08

The Great Thanksgiving: Hymnal No. 09

Breaking Bread: Hymnal No. 11

Giving the Bread and Cup: Hymnal No. 11

*SENDING FORTH: (Leaving with Christ in our hearts.)

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