

## A Christmas Prayer

Rejoice, for to you is born a Savior who is Christ the Lord! We join in prayer for the indwelling of the Spirit of Christ as we offer God our worship in this holy season. May the peace of the Lord abide with us all!

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We ask that no photographs or recordings be made during the services. Please do not use cameras, recording devices, cell phones or iPads in the Sanctuary in order that there be no distractions from worship.

We are thankful for the artists whose work graces this year's cover: Seth Eudy, Charlotte Carter, Elizabeth Carter, Teddy Griffin, Sydney Richardson, Palmer Stone, and Adelaide Vogler.

**Instructions for making your own manger:** 1. Cut out the figures from the front cover (Mary, Joseph, and Baby Jesus are together as one; The Wisemen are together as one; The Shepherds are together as one). 2. Make cuts along the black lines at the bottom of each figure. 3. Cut out the strips beside the manger scene (do not cut the dotted line). 4. Cut the solid black lines on each strip and fold the strip on the dotted line (these will be the stands for your figures). 5. Match the stand slits to the figure slits and insert the figures into the stands. 6. Place your manger scene where you can see it often. Merry Christmas!

**For those children** who are not able to drink hot coffee during the lovefeast, juice boxes are available in the Children's Gift Bag. Encourage your children to wait for lovefeast to drink their juice!

All proceeds from this offering will be donated to the following Christian ministries: Crisis Control Ministry, Forsyth Jail and Prison Ministries, and Sunnyside Ministry.

The poinsettias used in the decorations are placed in the Sanctuary in loving memory of *Roy C. and Ester Hampton Haberkern, Roy C. Jr. and Carlotta "Tota" Haberkern, Anthony H. Whitaker, Mary A. Hampton*, and *Anna L. Rights* by the family.

The narcissi are placed in the Sanctuary in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. "Clarence and Margaret" Leinbach, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. C.T. "Ted and Kaka" Leinbach, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. L.B. "Brick and Kafoo" Leinbach, Mr. W. J. "Bill" Leinbach, Mr. and Mrs. P.H. "Paul and Margaret" Kolb, Margaret Leinbach Hawkins, Mark Edward Hepler, Kathryn Leinbach Brown, and Caroline Leinbach Woo by the family.

**The Lovefeast candles** are given in loving memory of *Mr. and Mrs. Anthony H. "Mike" Disher, Mr. and Mrs. Bynum V. "Bill" Disher*, and *Mr. Lloyd W. Disher* by the family.

**The boutonnieres** provided for the ushers, dieners, and pastors are given by Deb and Mike Garner in memory of *our beloved Home Moravian sisters and brothers who have gone to their heavenly home since last Christmas*.

The wreaths are placed on the outside doors of the Sanctuary in loving memory of *I.B. and Mary Southerland* by I.B. and Carol Southerland and their family.

**Personal sound receivers** to assist with hearing are available. If you would like to use one, talk with one of the ushers, who will provide you with a receiver and show you how to use it.