

Scripture Readings *Matthew 24:36-44*

Sermon Sermon Series: Waiting Well *Rev. Diane Flynn*
 "Quick, Look Busy!"

*Affirmation of Faith *On Screen*

Hanging of the Ornaments

The Angels

Hymn *"On Christmas Night All Christians Sing" (vs. 1 & 4)*
Hymn #112

The Nativity

Service Prayer *Kathi Kinney*

Pastoral Prayer (with the Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Gifts of Christmas

Announcements

*Doxology *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*
Hymn #608

*Offertory Prayer

God of righteousness, you have saved us from the worst the world can do and have promised to redeem the whole creation when Christ comes again. In faith and hope we offer our gifts of money and self, that we may be part of what you are doing in the world even now, as we watch for Christ's coming in glory. Amen.

*Closing Hymn *"While We are Waiting, Come"*
Hymn #92

*Benediction *"Hymn of Advent"* *Senior Choir*

Postlude *"The Christmas Waltz"* *Mindy Smith, Instrumentalist*

IN OUR PRAYERS: Pam Archer, Sarah Bolden, Noah Cassion, Lori Disbennett, Rev. Donald Leckrone, Karl Leckrone, Gary and Elesa Thompson.

HOME BOUND: Larry & Helen Fox, Wilma Miller, and Beverly Shearer, Paul & Carolyn Wiehe.

IN A CARE FACILITY: Jean Bell and Evelyn Rutherford at Heritage; Vivian Lowe at Bluebird;