

### Poinsettias and more... Order 2018

Our Church will be decorated with a grand array of poinsettias and wreaths for the Christmas season. If you wish to donate plants or wreaths to decorate the church, please complete this form and either place in the Flower Committee mailbox or give to a Flower Committee member.

The cost of each poinsettia plant will be \$12.00. Wreaths, which will remain up for the holiday season, will be \$10.00. Checks made payable to Elijah Kellogg Church should be received by **noon Wednesday, December 12th**. You can pick up your poinsettia in the sanctuary after the Christmas services.

I would like to have \_\_\_\_\_ plant(s) to beautify the sanctuary.

Poinsettia color choice: Red \_\_\_\_\_

White \_\_\_\_\_

Pink \_\_\_\_\_

No color preference \_\_\_\_\_

I will donate \_\_\_\_\_ wreath(s).

Please list in the bulletin as follows:

In loving memory of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In honor of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information please contact a Flower Committee member:  
Kay Hunter, Patty O'Brien Carrier, Elizabeth Dyer,  
Mickey Maidl, Linda Clement, Joan Phillips.

### Church Calendar

Sunday, Dec. 02: 10 am - Service  
11:15 am - Choir practice  
Monday, Dec. 03: 7 pm - Deacons' Meeting  
Tuesday, Dec. 04: 11 am - Women's Fellowship  
Thursday, Dec. 06: 11 am - Bible Study, parlor

Do you have a bulletin announcement? Please submit it by Wednesday, 9 am, the week before.  
Email to: [adminassist@elijahkelloggchurch.org](mailto:adminassist@elijahkelloggchurch.org). Thank you.



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**Communion Service  
December 02, 2018**

Welcome to Elijah Kellogg Church! We are glad that you could be with us this morning!

Please let us know how we can be of service to you. Feel free to fill out an information card found in the pew, and place it in the offering plate.

Sunday School for young children is provided. Child care for small children is available.

Please join us for our Coffee Hour following the morning service.

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Introit and Quieting our Hearts for Worship

**\*Call to Worship** (Responsive) from Psalm 80

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,  
You who lead Israel like a flock.

**Stir up your might,  
and come to save us!**

Let your hand be upon the One  
whom You made strong for yourself.

**Restore us, O God.  
Let your face shine,  
that we may be saved.**

Service

**\*Prayer of Invocation and Lord's Prayer (in Unison)**

**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.**

**\*Hymn 103 "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"**

Advent Candles

Reading

Response - **On this day, we remember to look hopefully for the coming of Christ.**

Light the HOPE candle

Hymn # 128 "One Candle is Lit", vs.1 (see page 7)

(The children are dismissed to Sunday School.  
Child care for young children is available.)

First Lesson

Luke 1:26-38

Pew Bible, p. 831

**Owning Our Church Covenant (in unison)**

**We covenant with one another to seek and respond to the Word and the Will of God. We purpose to walk together in the ways of the Lord, made known and to be made known to us. We hold it to be the mission of the Church to witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ in all the world, while worshipping God and striving for truth, justice and peace. As did our forebears, we depend on the Holy Spirit to lead and empower us. We pray for the coming of the Kingdom of God, and we look with faith toward the triumph of righteousness and eternal life.**

**\*Gloria Patri 513**

Anthem

"Advent Joy"

(a 21st century William Young arrangement of the 19th century hymn "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates")

Prayers of the People

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response

*Unison*

1. Come sure - ly, Lord Je - sus, as dawn fol - lows night,  
 2. Come, wan - der where li - on and lamb gent - ly play,  
 3. Come, fes - tive - ly sing while a - wait - ing the birth,  
 4. Come quick - ly, sha - lom, teach us how to pre - pare  
 5. Come, lis - ten, the sounds of God - with - us ring clear,

1. our hearts long to greet you, as ros - es, the light.  
 2. where e - vil is ban - ished and faith takes the day,  
 3. join an - gels in danc - ing from heav - en to earth.  
 4. for a gift that com - pels us with just - tice to care.  
 5. and signs of a cross in the dis - tance ap - pear.

1. Sal - va - tion, draw near us, our vi - sion en - gage.  
 2. a babe in a man - ger to fool the world's eyes.  
 3. Wave ban - ners of good news, lift high thank - ful praise.  
 4. Our spir - its are rest - less till sin and war cease.  
 5. The Word once made flesh, yet the Word ev - er near.

1. One can - dle is lit for the hope of the age.  
 2. One can - dle is lit for God's lov - ing sur - prise.  
 3. One can - dle is lit for the joy of these days.  
 4. One can - dle is lit for the reign of God's peace.  
 5. One can - dle is lit for the Christ - birth - day here.



## Service

Call to Giving  
Offertory  
**\*Doxology 515**

### **\*Prayer of Dedication**

Second Lesson      Luke 1:39-45      Pew Bible, p. 831

Meditation      “Here am I, the servant of the Lord;  
let it be with me  
according to your word.”

### **\*Hymn 128      “In the Bleak Midwinter”**

Communion  
Invitation  
Prayer  
The Giving of the Bread\*\*  
The Giving of the Cup  
Thanksgiving

\*\*Gluten-free bread is available for Communion  
and can be found in the center cups of each tray.

### **\*Hymn 217      “Lord of All Hopefulness”**

### **\*Benediction**

Choral Blessing

\*All who are able, please stand.

## Serving You this Morning

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. John Carson
<b>Christian Education Director</b>	Denise Perry
<b>Pianist</b>	Clarissa Brown
<b>Choir Director</b>	Sue Luce
<b>Greeters</b>	Art & Elizabeth Dyer
<b>Ushers</b>	Ben & Amber Skinner
<b>Reader</b>	Pat Myer
<b>Nursery Attendant</b>	Karin Soderberg
<b>Trustee</b>	Chris McIntire, 833-3399
<b>Hospitality</b>	Hospitality



*The flowers today are from  
Anne & Dick Mosely  
in loving memory of  
their son Greg Rancourt.*

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## Notes & News

**Women's Fellowship meets this Tuesday, Dec. 4th at 11 am** in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring an hors d'oeuvre to share and a potholder or dishtowel for the Yankee Swap. Bring a friend to welcome the Holiday Season as well!

**Bible Study** meets Thursdays at 11 am in the parlor. Please join us!

**Greeters for December 9:** Bill & Kay Hunter

**Ushers for December 9:** Elizabeth & Art Dyer

**The Deacons will next meet** on Monday, Dec. 3rd at 7 pm.

**The Deacon's would like to thank** our Congregation, and friends of the Kellogg Church, for your very generous donations to our Deacon's Fund. We were able to supply 20 Harpswell families with \$50 gift cards to help with their Thanksgiving dinner. When the gift cards were delivered to the Harpswell Community School, they were overwhelmed with our generosity to support local. So, thank you to all that have donated, and we are still accepting donations to build our fund if you are interested. In God's love, Carrie, Elly, Susan W., Dick, Signe, Paul, Chris, and Sharon.

**The Salvation Army Wish Tree** - Thanks to all who took gift cards to purchase Christmas presents for area children in need. A reminder that gifts should be unwrapped and placed under the tree before Friday, December 14. Please attach your "wish card" to your gifts. Have fun shopping and thank you for your generosity! The Board of Missions

**December's food bank** donation is Canned Soup.

### Faith & Family

*Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6*

**Today is the 1st Sunday of Advent.** The Braley family will be lighting the candle of HOPE

**We will be collecting donations** for Church World Service - Blankets+ Project throughout the Christmas season. Help share God's love by providing CWS Blankets to those in need. Each blanket costs only \$10, but these blankets can be a vital resource for someone needing a little support, warmth, and encouragement. Donation envelopes are available in each pew, also in the church office.

**Christmas cards are available** on the mission table. Please consider sending Beatriz a little Christmas cheer by filling out one of the blank cards. A package, filled with all the cards, will be mailed to the Philippines on December 10th.

**Don't forget to grab your Clynk bag & recycle your returnable bottles/cans for Beatriz!**