

#### **WELCOME!**

Thank you for joining us today for worship! We are glad you are here. Everyone, please fill out a Connection Card (found in the pew rack). Prayer requests can be shared on the back of the card. Completed cards as well as offerings can be placed in the Offering Box, located on the wall by the main entry.

# **CONNECTION CARD**

Guests, we are thrilled to have you join us today. Please stop by the Connection Center after the service for a special gift.



# **Today's Worship Songs**

"The First Noel" (Hymn #151)
"We Three Kings" (Hymn #149)
"Emmanuel" (Hymn #178)
"Never Once"
"Blessed Assurance" (#650)
OPTIONAL:
"In His Time"
"He Touched Me" (#590)

# Bible Reading Plans Read the Bible in 2022

R.S. Sproul reminded us that "Disciples of Christ abide in His Word. Those who abide in His Word know the truth and are free." As you consider possible New Year's



Resolutions, include a plan to read the Bible in 2022. Several different plans are available at the Resource Table, including a New Testament reading plan as well as the whole Bible in a year.



Today: 10:00A Worship Service (in-person and Live Streaming)

Wednesday: NO Virtual Coffee Hour this week

Saturday: NEW YEAR'S DAY

Next Sunday: 9:00A LIFE Hour Class: Romans with Edson Gilmore

10:00A Worship Service (in-person and Live Streaming

NOTE: While the pastors will still be working, the church office, however, will be closed this week. Feel free to contact the pastors on their cell phones, by email, or leave a message on the church phone.

# **Angel Tree Ministry Gift Tags**

Thank you to everyone who picked up a virtual gift tag to make Christmas more joyful for families touched by the reality of prison. If you have not yet done so, please make gifts (\$25 each) payable to our church. Thanks!



The December-February edition of the **"Pathways: Moments with God"** devotional guide is now available at the Resource Table. Pick up a copy today!



Hoodview Church of God exists to LOVE God and GROW as disciples who GO in God's love to bless our community and world.

#### Ministers

The Entire Congregation (1 Peter 2:4-10)

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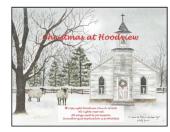
Office Hours: TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY 9:30A-12:00P Other times available by appointment.

Prayer Line — Ruth Palmer: 503-544-1318



## Happy Birthday to ...

Bill Hatch (December 26)
Mary Danielson (December 29)
Glenn Guyer (December 30)



## **Purchase the Christmas CD**

Pick up a copy of the brand-new CD by Peggy Dougherty and the Wilhites. All donations benefit the David M. Dougherty Scholarship Fund.

#### LIFE Hour Class

Sundays at 9:00AM (Room 250)
(Class resumes next Sunday)

**Teacher: Edson Gilmore** 

**Topic: Romans**All are welcome!



# Faith Promise 2022: "Love Lights the Way"

Faith Promise is one of the primary ways our church supports both local and international missions. While Faith Promise donations can take different forms, a primary way is to ask the Lord how much you should give to missions over the next year—and then commit to that amount as a "Faith Promise," asking God to provide the funds. To date, \$8,920 has been pledged for next year. Brochures and pledge cards are located at the Resource Table.

For this year (2021), \$11,240 was pledged with \$14,132 given for Faith Promise with one week remaining!

### **END OF YEAR GIVING**

To receive giving credit for 2021, all gifts must either be received or postmarked by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for your faithful support of our church!

# Sermon Notes

# "The Gifts of Christmas" 2 Corinthians 9:15

<sup>9</sup> After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. <sup>11</sup> On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh (Matthew 2:9-11 NIV).

Gold is the gift for	

#### Frankincense is the gift for

<sup>19</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, <sup>21</sup> and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup> let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup> Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful (Hebrews 10:19-23 NIV).

Myrrh is the $\mathfrak g$	gift for		

Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! (2 Corinthians 9:15 NIV).

What gifts are you grateful for this year?

#### Prayer List — December 26, 2021

#### **Prayer Requests, Updates, & Praise Reports**

- Pray for the salvation of our neighbors. Pray that we will LOVE God and GROW as disciples who GO and love our world.
- Pray for our local, state, and national leaders.
- Pray for the faithful response of God's people to trust in God as we give to "Faith Promise" for missions.
- Pray for spiritual growth for our church and community in the new year.
- Kris Laurance—scheduled for colon surgery this Monday; doctors believe the cancer has been caught early and give a good prognosis. Pray for God's healing touch.
- Trudy Fowlks—friend of the Wilhites; upcoming neck surgery.
- Several in our church family are recovering from COVID-19. Pray for Shirley Martin, Keith Shrock and family, and Pastor Steve's mom, Doris.
- Helene—Phyllis Cochran's sister; hospitalized due to a stroke.
- God's comfort for those who have lost loved ones this past year.
- Lyle Edmonds—continuing health challenges.
- Edson Gilmore's daughter in Idaho lost her job; God's direction.
- Glenn Guyer—pray for God's healing touch.
- Pray for those who are far from God.
- Remember our military: Taylen Reid.
- Continued prayer: Jaime Adney, Anne Bacon, Kay Brown, Lee Church, Phyllis Cochran, Jeanette Cornell, Dennis Hayden, Doris Kufeldt, Glenna McKay, Ann Swindler.

#### **Mission & Outreach Partners**

- ♦ Kuot Ngor (African Hope Mission) ♦ A.W.A.R.E. Food Bank
- ♦ Association of the Churches of God in Oregon & SW WA
- ♦ Bobby & Jenny Mihsill (Cote d'Ivoire) ♦ Camp White Branch
- ♦ Daniel & Christy Kihm (Europe and Middle East)
- ♦ A Ray of Hope, Today! ♦ Children of Promise
- ♦ Church of God Ministries ♦ Church of God in the Philippines
- ◆ Welcome Home Outreach (Mexico) ◆ Pregnancy Care Centers
- ♦ John & Gwen Johnson (Regional Coordinators, Africa)

## This Week's Church/Ministry Prayer Focus

**District:** Rockwood Church of God, Portland (Pastor Jerry Davisson) **Local:** Point of Encounter (Pastor Nelson Castro)