

*CLOSING HYMN 242 Red Hymnal
“Love Came Down at Christmas”

*BENEDICTION Pastor Ron Kite

*BENEDICTION SONG 240 Red Hymnal
“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

*POSTLUDE Carol Kirchmer
“How Great Our Joy”
German Carol & Melody, Arr. by Hugo Jungst

Salem at Worship

Sunday, December 17, 2017



9:00 am Sunday School
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10:00 am Worship Service
(316) 283-3620
115 Old Main, Newton, KS 67114

If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join our church family by talking with Pastor Ron at the church office, 283-3620.

God's People Gather

**Please stand as you are able.*

(Please be sure to sign the attendance registration)

(Prayer cards are in attendance pad, you may fill out and place in the offering plate)

WELCOME Liturgist

*GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Ron Kite

PRELUDE Carol Kirchmer

"Fantasia on 'Adeste Fidelis'"

Based on the tune by John F. Wade, Arr. by Lani Smith

*CALL TO WORSHIP *(based on Luke 1:46b-47, 49)* Liturgist

L: *My soul magnifies the Lord;*

P: **my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

L: *The Mighty One has done great things.*

P: **Holy is God's name!**

*OPENING PRAYER *(based on Advent, Isaiah 40:11)* Liturgist

Your season comes, Lord. Come once again, and feed your flock like a shepherd. Come once again, and gather up the children, the oppressed, the sick, the lonely, the humble, and the rejected of the earth. Turn our hearts to the least of your children. For if we lose them, we become lost. Reconcile us to you and to those we have hurt. At this Advent, join us together with neighbors, with strangers, and especially with our own household. Bring us to your light in our time of darkness, through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

LIGHT 3RD ADVENT CANDLE OF EXPECTATION

HYMN OF PRAISE 196 Red Hymnal

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

JOYS AND CONCERNS Pastor Ron Kite

PRAYER HYMN 229 Red Hymnal

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

PASTOR'S PRAYER Pastor Ron Kite

LORD'S PRAYER 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 trespasses; as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME Ashli Teel

"Jesus Loves the Little Children"

VIDEO Screen

INVITATION TO OFFERING *(Luke 12:48 NIV)* Liturgist

⁴⁸ But the one who does not know and does things deserving punishment will be beaten with few blows. From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.

OFFERTORY Carol Kirchmer

"What Child Is This?"

Traditional, Arr. by Jim Brickman

*OFFERING SONG 94 Red Hymnal

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*OFFERING PRAYER Pastor Ron Kite

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 61: 1-3, 10-11 (TLB)

Liturgist

Leader: *This is the Word of God for the People of God.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 213 Red Hymnal

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

Verses 1, 3

*SCRIPTURE Psalm 146 (TLB)

Liturgist

Leader: *This is the Word of God for the People of God.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE Pastor Ron Kite

"Good News Is Coming"