



# ST. PETER'S United Church of Christ

**310 North Meadow Street (Grant Park, IL 60940)**

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Sunday School--9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.

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## **Christmas Program**

**“The Forgotten Gift” ...A play within a play.**  
*(Adapted from the Christmas play by J. Wilson)*

In this play, the high school class takes on the responsibility of assisting in the Sunday School’s Christmas program. When the program ends, they look for their usual gifts from the director only to find the most unusual and yet the most meaningful gifts.

**ANGEL: (Matthew 1:18; 20-22)**

**JOSEPH: (Luke 2:1; 4-5)**

**MARY: (Luke 2:6-7)**

**1ST SHEPHERD: (Luke 2:8)**

**2ND SHEPHERD: (Luke 2:9-10)**

**3RD SHEPHERD: (Luke 2: 11-12)**

**ANGELS: (Luke 2:14)**

**“AWAY IN A MANGER” (Congregation joins for verse 3)**

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care  
And fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.

**MAGI 1: (Matthew 2:1-2)**

**MAGI 2: (Matthew 2:7-9)**

**“COME FOLLOW THAT STAR” Besig (Youth Choir)**

**MAGI 3: (Matthew 2:10-12)**

## **Advent Carols (sung by congregation)**

### **“The First Noel”**

The first Noel, the angel did say,  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter’s night that was so deep.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star  
shining in the east, beyond them far,  
and to the earth it gave great light,  
and so it continued both day and night.  
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

### **“HARK THE HERALD”**

Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King:  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!”  
Joyful all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies  
With th’angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”  
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings, risen with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by, born that we no more may die.  
Born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.  
Hark! The herald angels sing, “Glory to the newborn King.”

### **Directors:**

**#1) Patience**

**#3) Self Confidence**

**#5) Humility**

**#2) Hope**

**#4) Endurance and Perseverance**

**#6) A Giving Spirit**

### **\*Spoken Benediction**

**\*Postlude & Extinguishing of the Candles** “We Three Kings”

**\*\*\*Please join us downstairs in the Clyde Lange Fellowship Hall for refreshments following the service. Also, please note: Santa will be visiting next Sunday! Immediately after next Sunday's worship service, Santa will arrive and hand out gifts to the kids. Free photo opportunities as well!**

**We at St. Peter's are praying for:**

*Carter Fortin, Linda Havelly, Taylor Cleary, Heather Phillips, Dorothy Kutemeier, Judy Schneider, Pamela Nolan, Kristopher Meyer, Jeff Jones, Jackqueline Dupuis, Sandy Erickson, Ken Erickson, Tim Langlois, Anita Bush, Dornita Hamann, Jack Hiland, Tim Miller, Claudia Scott, Natalie Lacer, Nancy Vittori, and Colette Lawrence*

**Announcements**

**Fusion Events (Youth Group for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders):** For December's event, Fusion will have their annual lock in this Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. For more details, visit our Facebook page or go to our church website at [www.stpetersgp.org](http://www.stpetersgp.org), (Under Ministries Section). You can also contact Josh (815) 693-5341 or Neal (815) 549-5911.

**Offering envelopes:** Offering envelopes are now available on the table outside of the church office.

**COOKIES @ CHRISTMAS Advent Adult Sunday School Class:**

Please join us on Sundays at 9 a.m. for an adult Advent Bible Study during the month of December. Feel free to bring your favorite Christmas cookies to share with the group. Coffee will be provided. We will meet December 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd in the Clyde Lange Fellowship Hall.



## Poinsettia Order Form

The Missions Committee will be selling poinsettias again this year. The cost is \$10 for a single, \$18 for a double, and \$26 for a triple. Color choices are red, white, and pink. **ORDERS ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>.**

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