

# Welcome to our service!

December 24, 2017

## WORSHIP THROUGH SINGING

*Joy to the World (with Shout for Joy); Hark! The Herald Angels Sing; Emmanuel; Offering*

## WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Worship Dance - *Breath of Heaven*

## WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD

Rev. Carl McGarvey continues the series, *The Coming...Anticipating the King*. The message for today is *The Coming...Jesus the Lord* and is based on Luke 2:10-11.

## NEW HERE?

If you are a guest with us today, welcome! Please stop by our "New Here?" table in the lobby. We would love to meet you and share information about LAC.

## HAVE KIDS?

Nursery care (birth-23 months) is provided throughout the service.

Children 24 months to Pre-K are offered classes in the preschool wing during the service.

Elementary-aged children (grades K-4) are invited to sit with their families during the service.

## NEED PRAYER?

At the conclusion of each service, there are people to pray with and for you at the front of the sanctuary.

## CURRENT HAPPENINGS

*Welcome home, and congratulations to Kelly and Laura McCullough on the adoption of their daughter Sloane from Ethiopia.*

*Our condolences to the following families:*

*The Tyrrell family on the passing of Marcia's father, Marvin, on December 17.*

*The Burger family on the passing of Judy's father, Donald Sullenberger Sr., on December 17.*

**Reminder** - Due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays, we will not be having our family meal on December 27 or January 3. Meals will resume on January 10.

**The church office** will be closed December 25 - January 1. The office will reopen on Tuesday, January 2. In case of an urgent need, please call the church at 397-1121 and press 2. If it is a routine matter, please press 1 to leave a message. Messages will be checked by the staff member on call.

**New Year's Eve Service** - We will have a combined service at 10:30am on Sunday, December 31. There will be no Adult Discipleship or Sunday School classes. Nursery, preschool, and Connect will be held. Fellowship time in the lobby will be at 10:00am.

**Lobby Project** - December 31 is the target date for returning pledge cards. So far, there is over \$80,000 in pledges toward the project! Thank you for your generosity.

**Looking for volunteers to help "Undeck the Halls"** on Tuesday, January 2, at 9:30am. If you're willing to help, please call/text Anita Hatch at 717-725-7309 or ahatch@lancastrcma.org.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Newcomer event** - If you are new to LAC, we invite you to join us for a time of light refreshments after the second service on Sunday, January 14, in the gym. It will give you the opportunity to meet the staff as well as others who are new to LAC.

**Infant & Child Dedication** is scheduled for Sunday, January 21. If you would like to have your precious blessing dedicated, please contact the church office, and one of the pastors will follow up with you.

**Save the date - Couples' Dinner** for all ages who are either married, engaged or dating will be held Tuesday, February 20, 6:30pm-9:00pm. Sponsored by Men's Ministry, join us for a fun night of games, activities, and food at DJs Taste of the 50s Diner. Watch for sign-up details.

**Couples' Getaway** - Family Life's Weekend to Remember, February 16-18, at Hershey Lodge offers biblically-based insights from top speakers and marriage experts, and helpful tools and resources. Register at [www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember](http://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember). To receive buy one, get one discount, use group name "Hershey CPTL" between January 8-28. Questions? Contact Becky & Keith Woods at 717-341-8702.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Michelle Wegman  
womensministries@lancastrcma.org

**Ladies' Zumba** exercise class will not meet on December 26 or 28. Class will resume on January 2.

**Page Turners**, a ladies' book club, will meet Thursday, January 4, 7:00pm, at the church. We will discuss the book *Hidden Christmas* by Tim Keller.

## ADULT MINISTRIES

Pastor Joe Burchill  
jburchill@lancastrcma.org

Join us for our winter **Adult Discipleship Classes**. Classes resume January 7.

- **Questioning Christianity** with Jesse Skaggs in the Uptown Theater
- **A Marriage That's Unique** with Steve & Patty Dietch in Corridor C, Room 3. This class will meet through January 28.
- **Men's Class - Life Mapping** with Dan McClary and Pastor Joe Burchill in Corridor D, Room 5
- **New Testament Study in Romans - Part III** with Fred Holler in Corridor D, Room 4
- **Step Two: Who Is the C&MA?** with Doug Motter in Corridor C, Room 2
- **Prepare/Enrich Parenting** with Dr. Joy Corby in Corridor C, Room 3. This class will meet February 4, 11, 18, 25, and March 4.

## LAC UTH GROUP

Pastor Jason Snyder  
jsnyder@lancastrcma.org

**Upcoming Events**  
**Wednesday, December 27 and January 3**

No Uth Group

**Sunday, January 7**

Uth Bible Study  
HS at the Hudson's  
MS at LAC  
6:30pm-8:30pm

**Wednesday, January 10**

Uth Group  
6:30pm-8:00pm

## LAC KIDS

Liz Glanzer  
childrensministries@lancastrcma.org  
Patty Schappell  
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**Reminder** we will have nursery, preschool and Connect on Sunday, December 31, for the 10:30am service.

## MEN'S MINISTRIES

Dan McClary  
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Men, have you ever wanted to have a mentor? The **Men of Iron: Strong 27** program will begin a new cohort in 2018. This flexible, yearlong commitment is an easy-to-follow format, where you will be paired with a mentor from LAC. Find out more by speaking to John Connell, Sr., Dan McClary, or Pastor Joe Burchill, or e-mail mensministries@lancastrcma.org. Registration opens online January 2.

## Life Mapping

When traveling to a tourist attraction or even the mall, you see maps proclaiming, "You are here." Yet, in real life, we can easily be confused about where we are in our own story or wonder if we are truly part of an epic journey. This course will help men better understand their own story and how God can use it. The class will be offered both Wednesday nights and in the ADC hour on Sundays, in case you are not able to attend one or the other. The Wednesday night program starts January 10.

## Men's breakfast honoring First Responders

will be held Saturday, January 20, 8:00am-10:00am, in the gym. Join us for breakfast, fellowship, and a time to say thank you to the first responders we have invited, including police, fire companies, National Guard, etc. Our featured speaker is a 9/11 survivor who will share his story.

**Sign up at <http://eepurl.com/4XRbD> to receive quarterly e-mails detailing all men's ministry events.**

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Assistive-listening devices for the hearing impaired are available at the sound booth.

## This Week at LAC...

### TODAY

Band, Brass, Singers & Techs	9:45am
Refreshments in the Lobby	10:00am
Worship Service	10:30am
Band, Brass, Singers, & Techs	5:45pm
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service - Doors open at 6:00pm	6:30pm

### MONDAY

Merry Christmas - Church Office Closed

### TUESDAY - FRIDAY

Church Office Closed

### SATURDAY

Men's Bible Study - Conference Room	7:30am
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**Giving at Year End** - The IRS regulations require that contributions must be received or postmarked before January 1 to be deductible in 2017. Online gifts should be submitted before December 29 to be included in 2017. A statement of your 2017 giving will be mailed before the end of January. You may use our web portal to review your giving, even if you have not given electronically. You can also opt out of receiving a mailed statement and print your own statement. Questions? Contact the church office or Assistant Treasurer at [assistanttreasurer@lanastercma.org](mailto:assistanttreasurer@lanastercma.org).

2018 offering envelopes will be available for pickup in the lobby beginning Sunday, December 31. If you would like to begin using offering envelopes, please contact the church office.

## Worship through Giving

GENERAL FUND	12/17/2017 <i>(Preliminary)</i>	10/2017 - PRESENT
Received	\$17,817	\$186,331
Weekly Budget Need	\$16,154	\$193,848
As of the end of November, giving is \$15,000 below the budgeted expectation.		
<b>MISSIONS FUND</b>		
C&MA Great Commission Fund	7,849	64,916
Other Missions	450	6,873
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>	1,079	8,055
<b>LOBBY PROJECT</b>	1,550	35,918
<b>DEACONS FUND</b>	520	10,261

Attendance for December 17, 2017 - 604

## Sermon Notes

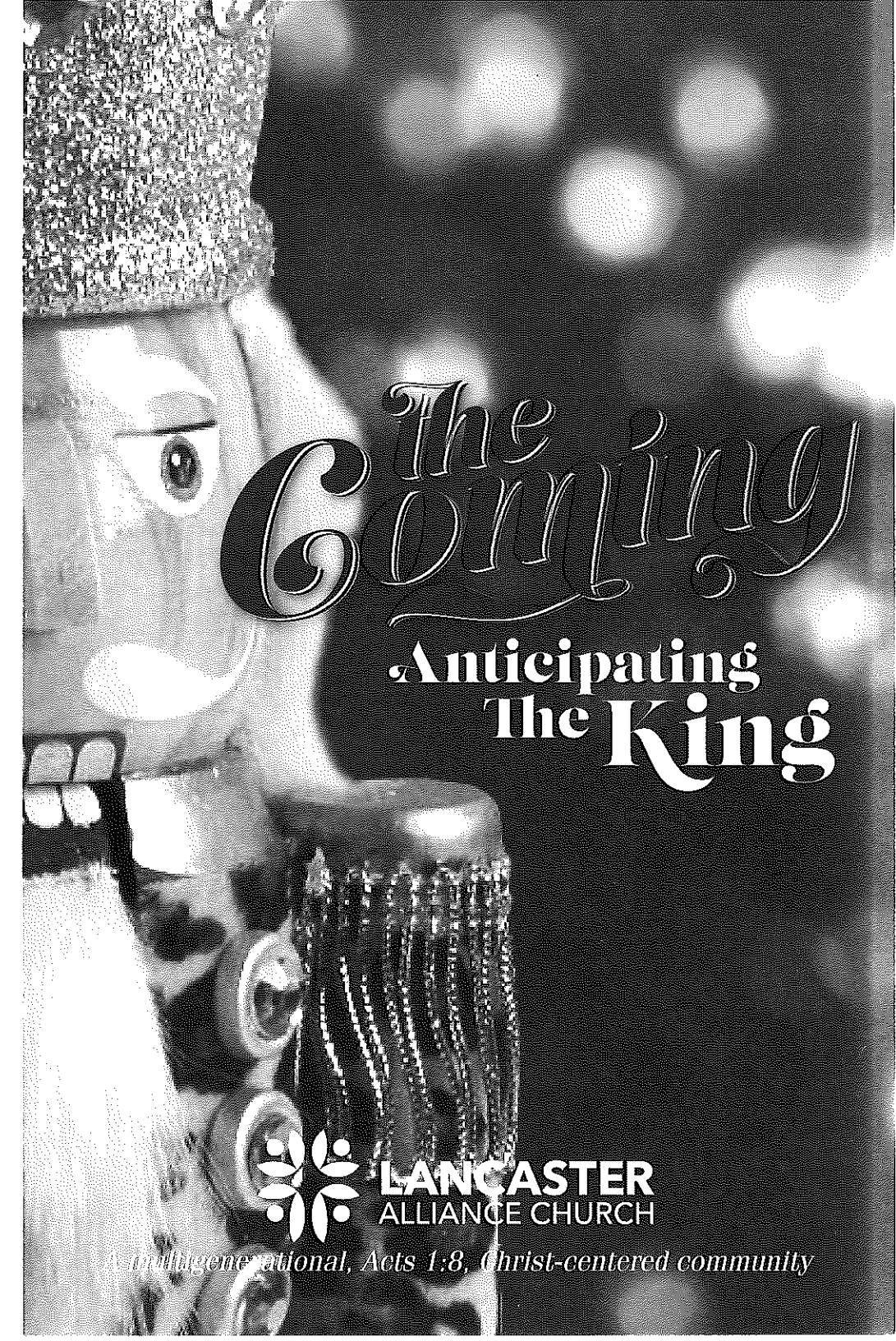
Rev. Carl McGarvey, Lead Pastor

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***The Coming...Jesus the Lord***  
*Luke 2:10-11 (Pew Bible, pages 725)*



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*A multigenerational, Acts 1:8, Christ-centered community*