

# Celebration of Worship

*Third Sunday in Advent*  
*Gaudete Sunday / Sunday of Joy*

December 15, 2019

9:30 A.M.

We welcome you to worship. Nursery & toddler care is available if you need it. The Young are welcomed to the front early on for a special time in the service. Please sign the Friendship Pads so that we can get to know you better, and join us for coffee in the Narthex after the service.

## God Invites Us to Worship

CAROL SING AT 9:20 a.m.

WELCOME AND GREETING

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT *Gloria Hodie* arr. Turner & McChesney

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

## We Respond with Praise

\* Please stand, if you are able.

\* SONG *What Child is This?* Video on Screen

PRAYER

GOD'S BLESSING AS WE WORSHIP

## God Speaks Through the Sacred Word

CHILDREN'S TIME ADVENT WREATH Lighting the Third Candle  
It's all about JOY!

Come, Lord Jesus, Joy of the World!

**Come, Lord Jesus, Joy of the World!**

ADVENT CAROL *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* #9, verse 3

*Children and Youth may leave for Sunday School.*

## God's Word in Scripture, Poetry, Monologue and Song

INTRODUCTION

SCRIPTURE *Luke 1:26-37* Mary with the Angel

POEM *The Annunciation* Denise Levertov

## FIRST REFLECTION

Monologue *Mary Reflects on Gabriel's Visit*

Interlude

Monologue *Mary Visits Elizabeth*

## SECOND REFLECTION

Monologue *Mary with the Angel*

SCRIPTURE *Luke 1:46-59* Mary's Song

Reader: Mary said,

Mary: With all my heart I glorify the Lord!

In the depths of who I am I rejoice in God my savior. He has looked with favor on the low status of his servant. Look! From now on, everyone will consider me highly favored because the mighty one has done great things for me. Holy is his name. He shows mercy to everyone, from one generation to the next, who honors him as God.

**All: He has shown strength with his arm. He has scattered those with arrogant thoughts and proud inclinations.**

Mary: He has pulled the powerful down from their thrones and lifted up the lowly.

**Women & Girls: He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty-handed.**

**Men & boys: Our God has come to the aid of his servant Israel, remembering his mercy,**

**All: just as God promised to our ancestors, to Abraham and to Abraham's descendants forever."**

Reader: Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months, and then returned to her home.

## THIRD REFLECTION

\* SONG *What Child Is This?* Video on Screen

IN HUMILITY WE CONFESS OUR SIN

*Silent Prayer, concluding with:*

Come Lord Jesus; **forgive us and restore us.**

Come Lord Jesus; **guide us and deliver us.**

**Come, Lord Jesus; teach us and renew us.**

**Come, Lord Jesus, Amen**

## God Offers Grace in Abundance

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE AND FORGIVENESS      Adapted from  
*Titus 3:4-7, The Message*

God, our kind and loving Savior God, has stepped in and saved us.  
**God gave us a good bath, and we came out of it new people,  
washed inside and out by the Holy Spirit. Our Savior Jesus  
poured out new life so generously.**  
God's gift has restored our relationship with God and given us back  
our lives.  
**Alleluia! Thanks be to the God who loves us. Amen.**

## We Respond in Praise and Thanks

OFFERING

OFFERTORY      *My Soul Proclaims*      Rouse  
From the Christmas cantata *Everlasting Light*  
Chancel Choir

My soul proclaims the Lord my God. My spirit always sings His praise!  
He looks on me, He lifts me up and gladness fills my days.  
My soul proclaims the Lord my God.  
All nations now will share my joy. His gifts abundantly outpoured;  
His little one He has made great; I magnify the Lord.  
All nations now will share my joy.  
Magnificat! I will magnify the Lord.  
Magnificat! He is worshipped and adored.  
The highest glory sing to magnify the King  
His praise forever ring! Magnificat!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION, PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- \* HYMN      *O Little Town of Bethlehem*      # 43
- \* GOD BLESSES US AS WE ARE SENT TO SERVE
- \* POSTLUDE

\* \* \* \* \*



*O Come to us, abide with  
us,  
our Lord, Immanuel*

## Webster Presbyterian Church

550 Webster Road  
Webster, New York 14580  
585-265-9700    www.websterpres.org

### Ministers

Rev. Dr. Lawrence J. De Vuyst  
Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan



### Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Clyde L. Mellinger, Jr.

#### Choir Director

Lee Ann Daigle

#### Organist

Patricia Korenkiewicz

#### Chapel Pianist

Jim Hoffman

#### Children's Ministry

Gayl Galen

#### Bell Choir Director

Jackie Anderson

#### Youth Director

Wanda Nungesser

#### Church Treasurer

Jan Rich

#### Church Secretaries

Karen Board  
Georgia Hubbard

#### Custodian

Chris Downs

### WPC Officers

Class of 2020

Class of 2021

Class of 2022

#### THE SESSION

Julie Cox  
Alan Durbin  
Todd Fargo  
Scott Oelkers

Paul Crumley  
Randy Nelson

Camryn Zeitvogel - Youth

Anita Brocker  
Don George  
Barbara Hach  
Elaine Wilbert

#### THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Mary Ann Case  
Dorothy Neal  
Linda Riek  
Arlene Sahmel

Clark Chippero  
Courtney Cox  
Andrea Hock  
Steve Oliver  
Mary Vick

Laura Blair  
Nikki George  
Tara Hunt

Ethan Fargo – Youth

Don Wade - Honorary

#### THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chris Blair  
Dick Dodd  
Chris Downs  
Dave Honebrink  
Rick Lux

Rich Cox  
Russ Kirshbaum  
Meg Marsh

Tina McNeary  
Peter Pape  
Dan Vespono

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Sunday, December 15

- 8:00 A.M. Worship Service in the Chapel
- 9:00 A.M. Coffee and Fellowship in the Narthex
- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary – Nursery care provided
- 9:45 A.M. Sunday School for Children and Youth
- 10:00 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed – Advent Theater in the Sanctuary
- 4:00 P.M. Youth Christmas Party in the Social Room

### Monday, December 16

- 9:30 A.M. Preschool in Rooms 3 - 6
- 10:30 A.M. Heritage Christian Services School in Room 9/10
- 6:30 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Basement Rooms
- 7:00 P.M. Spiritual Nurture Committee in Room 1

### Tuesday, December 17 - *Pathway* Deadline

- 6:15 A.M. Men's Study in the Memorial Room
- 9:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10  
Preschool in Rooms 3 - 6
- 5:00 P.M. TOPS in the Memorial Room
- 6:30 P.M. Adult Ed. Committee in the Conference Room
- 7:00 P.M. Board of Deacons in Room 9/10  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 7:30 P.M. PMF Steering Committee in the Memorial Room

### Wednesday, December 18

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Breakfast/Bible Study at the Golden Boys Restaurant
- 9:00 A.M. Preschool in Room 3 - 6
- 10:30 A.M. Heritage Christian Services School in Room 9/10
- 3:00 P.M. Alzheimer's Association in the Memorial Room
- 6:00 P.M. Supper & Scripture in the Social Room
- 7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Committee in the Memorial Room  
Scouts in the Basement Room

### Thursday, December 19

- 9:00 A.M. Flying Club in the Social Room  
Preschool in Rooms 3 - 6
- 9:15 A.M. Glory Bells Off-site
- 10:30 A.M. Book Study in Room 1

### Friday, December 20

- 9:00 A.M. Preschool in Rooms 3 – 6
- 10:00 A.M. Singles' Book Study in Room 9/10
- 5:00 P.M. Dinner at Phillips Village
- 7:00 P.M. Cub Pack 262 in the Social Room

### Saturday, December 21

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time in Room 1
- 10:00 A.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

### Sunday, December 22

- 8:00 A.M. Worship Service in the Chapel
- 9:00 A.M. Coffee and Fellowship in the Narthex  
Chimers' in the Memorial Room
- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary – Nursery care provided
- 9:45 A.M. Sunday School for Children and Youth
- 10:00 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed – Art & Theology in the Sanctuary  
Christmas Bells Rehearsal in the Memorial Room

### Lectionary Passages

	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Sunday, December 22</u>
Old Testament	<i>Isaiah 35:1-10</i>	<i>Isaiah 7:10-16</i>
Psalms	<i>Psalms 146:5-10</i>	<i>Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19</i>
New Testament	<i>James 5:7-10</i>	<i>Romans 1:1-7</i>
Gospel	<i>Luke 1:46b-55</i> <i>Matthew 11:2-11</i>	<i>Matthew 1:18-25</i>

### Memory Verse

*"Today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you:  
He is the Messiah, the Lord."  
Luke 2:11*

\* \* \* \* \*

### Webster Presbyterian Church

550 Webster Road  
Webster, New York 14580  
585-265-9700 [www.websterpres.org](http://www.websterpres.org)

### Ministers

Rev. Dr. Lawrence J. De Vuyst  
Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan

### Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Clyde L. Mellinger, Jr.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. Visitors are invited to stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex after the service to learn more about our fellowship.
2. THE FLOWERS are given by Kay Wahl in loving memory of her sons, Dr. Gary Wahl and Herbert Wahl III. The arrangement is by Barb Coleman.
3. WE THANK greeters and ushers Amy Vallone, Mary Ann Case, Don George, Steve Oliver and Don Wade for their participation in today's worship service.
4. ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES AT 11:00 include:  
Today - Advent Theater presenting an invitation to a small boy's birthday party in the Sanctuary.  
Next week - Art and Theology – The art of Henry Ossawa Turner, an African American artist, and his works on Nativity themes.
5. NEXT SUNDAY during the 9:30 service the Chancel Choir will be presenting the Christmas cantata *Everlasting Light – The Promise of Christmas*. Don't miss this delightful medley of songs and scripture.
6. THE CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING will be collected the next several Sundays. Your gifts are used to assist current and retired church workers and their families with critical financial needs, as well as provide financial assistance to students of color at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges. Envelopes can be found in the chair racks.
7. PMF IS COLLECTING for Eastern Services Workers' food baskets. Please stop at the table in the Narthex if you would like to donate.
9. FINAL ORDERS FOR POINSETTIAS to be displayed December 22 and Christmas Eve are being taken in the Narthex today. White or red plants in green foil cost \$15 each. Please pay with cash or a check (made out to PWC) when placing your order. Plants may be taken home after the 11 p.m. Christmas Eve service or during weekday mornings after Christmas.
9. THE JANUARY *PATHWAY* DEADLINE is this Tuesday at noon. Articles should be brought to the church office or emailed to both [kboard@websterpres.org](mailto:kboard@websterpres.org) and [g Hubbard@websterpres.org](mailto:g Hubbard@websterpres.org) to ensure their inclusion.
10. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY continues *Angels: Standing Guard*, a Life Guide Bible Study, this Tuesday with "Burning in God's Presence." Booklets are \$8.00. Be sure to bring your favorite angel for display.
11. CHIMES TO LEND: Anyone wanting to borrow the hand chimes for group singing may sign up for them on the storage closet door. Questions? Contact Jackie Anderson (703-2381).
12. THE DINNER AT PHILLIPS VILLAGE will be a Christmas Feast this Friday. If you would like to help with this effort, please contact Steve Gaudio (872-6635 or [sgaudio@rochester.rr.com](mailto:sgaudio@rochester.rr.com)) and join the group of volunteers to serve our neighbors.
13. A NEW OUTSIDE SIGN is here! There will be a dedication along with a celebration of 50 years at this church site in January. If you would be willing to be part of the committee planning this event, please see Pastor Larry.
14. A MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION has been called for Sunday, January 5, at 9:15 in the Social Room for the purpose of nominating and electing elders, deacons and trustees to serve terms beginning in 2020.
15. 2019 ANNUAL REPORTS are due in the church office by January 6<sup>th</sup>. Articles should be emailed to [g Hubbard@websterpres.org](mailto:g Hubbard@websterpres.org) or brought to the church office.
16. VISITORS ARE NEEDED for our Friends at Home. If you wish to help, please contact Arlene Sahmel (425-2032) or Andrea Hock (467-8607) or call the church office to be matched up with a homebound friend.
17. ADULT VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help with childcare for infants and toddlers beginning in January following the 9:30 worship service when the new children's program, SHINE, begins. If you have an extra hour to share once a month, please contact Anita Bocker or Gayl Galen. To help with the school-aged children, speak to Rachel McKay or Linnaea Nifong. With the support of our congregation by giving a small amount of your time, we can help make this new program for young families possible.
18. THE 2020 FLOWER CHART IS UP! If you would like to fund flowers to honor a special someone or a special date, please add your name to the chart across from the Christian Education office. Ruth Fischer will contact you with details.
19. ACTIVE CHURCH MEMBERS are invited to register for the 2020-21 year at Webster Presbyterian Pre-School starting December 16<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in receiving a registration form or would like more information, please contact Laura Blair (265-1578) and give her your email address. 2-day (Mon/Thurs) and 3-day/Pre-K(Tues, Wed, Fri) classes are offer in the morning (8:45-11 a.m.) and afternoon (11:45 a.m.-2 p.m.).



## Webster Presbyterian Church

550 Webster Road  
Webster, New York 14580  
585-265-9700 www.websterpres.org

### Ministers

Rev. Dr. Lawrence J. De Vuyst  
Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan



## Webster Presbyterian Church

550 Webster Road  
Webster, New York 14580  
585-265-9700 www.websterpres.org



### Ministers

Rev. Dr. Lawrence J. De Vuyst  
Rev. Dr. Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan

### Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Clyde L. Mellinger, Jr.

### Choir Director

Lee Ann Daigle

### Children's Ministry

Gayl Galen

### Church Treasurer

Jan Rich

### Organist

Patricia Korenkiewicz

### Bell Choir Director

Jackie Anderson

### Church Secretaries

Karen Board  
Georgia Hubbard

### Chapel Pianist

Jim Hoffman

### Youth Director

Wanda Nungesser

### Custodian

Christopher Downs

### WPC Officers

Class of 2020	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
THE SESSION		
Julie Cox	Paul Crumley	Anita Brocker
Alan Durbin	Randy Nelson	Don George
Todd Fargo		Barbara Hach
Scott Oelkers	Camryn Zeitvogel - Youth	Elaine Wilbert

### THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Mary Ann Case	Clark Chippero	Laura Blair
Dorothy Neal	Courtney Cox	Nikki George
Linda Riek	Andrea Hock	Tara Hunt
Arlene Sahmel	Steve Oliver	
	Mary Vick	
	Ethan Fargo – Youth	Don Wade - Honorary

### THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chris Blair	Rich Cox	Tina McNeary
Dick Dodd	Russ Kirshbaum	Peter Pape
Chris Downs	Meg Marsh	Dan Vespane
Dave Honebrink		
Rick Lux		