

December 29, 2024



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A Service of Songs & Stories

Revs. Judy & Brian Bagley-Bonner

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

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First Sunday After Christmas

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude *Cold December Flies Away* (W. Held) Marcia Snavely, organ

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

* **Call to Worship** (from Quinn Caldwell's *All I Really Want for Christmas*)
Rev. Brian Bagley-Bonner

One: Come, Loneliness, and we will sing to you of Emanuel, God with us.

People: Come, Death, for Hark, the Herald Angels sing that Christ is risen with healing in his wings.

One: Come, Depression, and we will sing "Gloria in excelsis Deo," and we will hold that long o until you are no more.

People: Come, Power, and we will sing to you that the first Noel was to poor shepherds.

One: Come, Despair, and we will sing joy to your world. Come, Racism. Come, Homophobia. Come, Sexism. For soon will come your silent night.

ALL: Come, War, and we will sing you to sleep. Come, all ye faithful, and sing.

* **Hymn** *O Come All Ye Faithful* No. 148

* **Passing of Christ's Peace**

* **Hymn** *Angels We Have Heard on High* No. 155

Story *A Mustard Seed Christmas* (Charlene Elizabeth Fairchild)
Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

Time for Children *The Runaway Bunny* (Margaret Wise Brown)
Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

* **Hymn** *Lo How a Rose* No. 160

* Those who are able stand

Story *Christmas in the Trenches* Rev. Brian Bagley-Bonner

Invitation to Generosity Rev. Brian Bagley-Bonner

Offertory *Children, Go Where I Send Thee/ Go Tell It on the Mountain* (J. Martin)
Marcia Snavelly, piano

* **Doxology** Tune: TRURO

**To God, all glorious heavenly light;
To Christ revealed in earthly night;
To God the Spirit now we raise;
Our joyful songs of thankful praise.**

* **Prayer of Dedication** Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

Christmas Prayer (from *Ash & Starlight: Prayers for the Chaos & Grace of Daily Life* - Arianne Braithwaite Lehn) Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

* **Hymn** *Joy to the World* No. 143

Story *A Cup of Christmas Tea* (Tom Hegg) Jannine Mason

* **Song** *The 12 Days of Christmas* [words on screen]

* **Benediction** (unison) Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among brothers and sisters,
To make music in the heart.



~ **Departing to Service** ~

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

Randy Fusco as he prepares for heart surgery on December 30th- 12700 Fairhill Rd
Apt 204, Shaker Heights, OH 44120

Susan Schreiner for complications following her hip surgery- 10006 Bell Rd
Newbury, OH 44065

This month, please pray for our mission partners- **Re:Source Cleveland; The
Christmas Eve Offering Recipients**

This week, please pray for staff members **Vicki McGaw** and **Betsy Wooster**.

Fellowship of Prayer Note Writers this week: Bob Abley, Debbie Baker, Mary Ann
Boysen

FELLOWSHIP HOUR 11a-12p

Thank you to congregants with the last names beginning with **S or T** for providing
treats today. We encourage you to join us in Fellowship Hall after worship for food
and fellowship.

Next Sunday- Congregation members with last names beginning with **U, V, W, X, Y,
or Z** are invited to bring treats. Thank you in advance for your participation!

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, January 5th, 10 AM
Pastor Vicki McGaw preaches
Epiphany Sunday