

**THE WORSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
AT SWIFT CHURCH**

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

GATHERING

WELCOME

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Cindy Fisher, Presbyterian Home for Children

PRELUDE

“Here I Am, Lord”

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Chuck Carneal

Leader: From the very beginning, God calls us.

People: God sets us apart with a meaning and a purpose.

Leader: We come up with excuses to avoid our calls, for we are afraid.

People: But God reassures us in many and various ways through the course of our days.

Leader: Even if we are brought to the edge of a cliff,

People: God is with us and sustains us.

CHORAL HYMN

“God Welcomes All”

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Silent Prayer “*Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace*”

God of life, we admit to you and to each other that we have not always lived lives of love. We have lost patience and been rude. We have been irritable and insisted on our own way. We have even let love end. Forgive us and heal us, dear God, through Jesus Christ, your love incarnate. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**please stand as you are able*

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

***RESPONSE #623**

“Gloria Patri”

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 1:4–10

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 13:1–13

RESPONSE

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Love Never Ends”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

“Be Thou My Vision”

Cindy Fisher, Flute

INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION OF OFFICERS

Rev. Alexandra Hutson

Mrs. Susan Pichoff, Clerk of Session

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Confession of Belhar

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ’s work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who

have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God’s Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought; one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain; that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted;

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells; We believe that the God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right; We believe that Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory “*O, How I Love Jesus*”

***RESPONSE #625**

“Doxology”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: the Lord be with you.

People: and also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our god.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

CHORAL HYMN "Go My Children with My Blessing"

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

*HYMN #505 "Love Lifted Me"

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE

Leader: Good people of Swift Church, who are you?

People: Striving to bring God joy, we proclaim

**Christ's love and grace through serving and nurturing
body, mind, and soul.**

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "I Have Decided To Follow Jesus"

Music is licensed through CCLI.

Upcoming Dates

Sunday, February 2

Sunday School, 9 a.m.

Worship in the sanctuary, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, February 4

Intercessory Prayer, 9 a.m.

Food Pantry, 10 a.m.

Souper Bowl

Sunday, February 9

fellowship hall after worship

Officer Retreat

Sunday, February 9

2 to 5 p.m.

Valentines Tea

February 10

10 a.m. @ Stephanie Craft's house



Please join us in the
fellowship hall
for refreshments
immediately
following worship!

LEADERSHIP AT SWIFT

Reverend Alexandra Hutson, Pastor

Jenni Cain, Pianist

Sena Cooper, Office Assistant

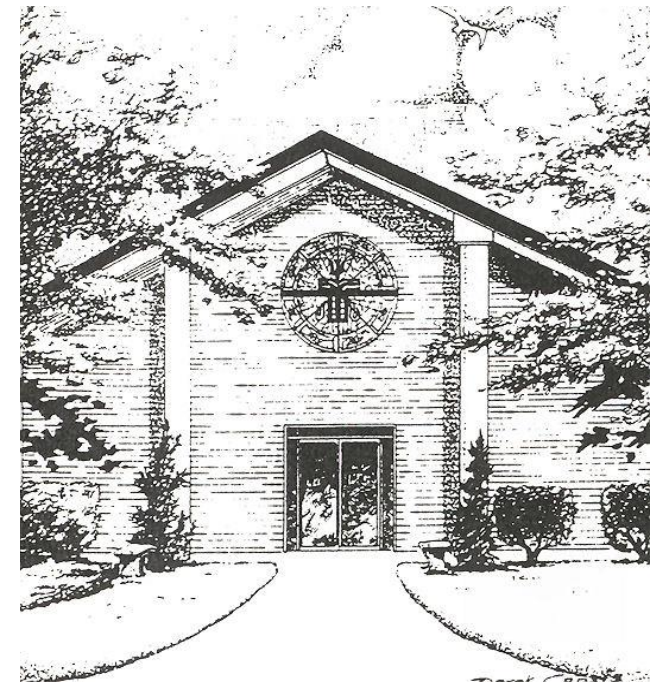
Stephanie Craft, Office Assistant

Jessica Hammontree, Preschool Director

Welcome to
Swift Church

February 2, 2025

Striving to bring God joy!



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