

# The Saturday Bulletin for December 27th



1st Sunday  
after  
Christmas

This Week's Calendar  
December 27, 2020

## Sunday

7:00am **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
(using Zoom)

9:00am **SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**  
Service here:  
[Facebook.com/RocktonUMC/videos/](https://www.facebook.com/RocktonUMC/videos/)

## Monday

## Tuesday

## Wednesday

Thursday  
New Year's Eve

Friday  
New Year's Day 2021

## Saturday

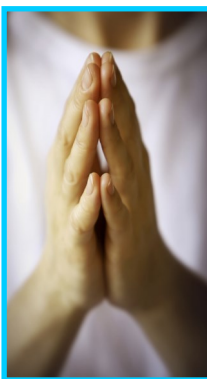
### Looking for Participants!

Now that we are worshipping live-streaming only, it would be nice to have some of us read the scriptures, play prelude or postlude music, record a welcoming message to greet our congregation on Sunday morning, etc. Please contact Pastor Rolland if you would be willing to participate in any of the ways listed above. It would be nice to hear those additional voices in the service.

This Sunday's Worship Services for is brought to us by the Rockford District. Find the Service posted here by 9AM Tomorrow morning:

[www.facebook.com/RocktonUMC/videos/](https://www.facebook.com/RocktonUMC/videos/)

Pastor Rolland's Email:  
[buboyhb13@hotmail.com](mailto:buboyhb13@hotmail.com)



### LET US PRAY FOR...

Charlie C.  
Darin D.  
Derek P.  
David D.  
Ron Z.  
Rose L.  
Sandy S.  
Betty H.  
Darlene W.

### The families of (deceased):

Gail Johnson  
Cindy Alms (Greg L.'s sister)  
Jerry Hubble  
Allan Huizenga (Nancy's brother)

*Please email your prayer requests by Saturday if possible. We will be able to include those names on the prayer list for Sunday's service.*

# Order of Worship — First Sunday After Christmas December 27, 2020

**Prelude** (*Deb Ketzel*)

**Welcome** (*Melissa Meyers*)

**Prayer for Christmas** (*Fabiola Grandon-Mayer*)

Eternal God, by the birth of Jesus Christ you gave yourself to the world. Grant that, being born in our hearts, he may save us from all our sins, and restore within us the image and likeness of our Creator, to whom be everlasting praise and glory, world without end. Amen.

**Opening Hymn:** There's a Song in the Air

**First Reading:** Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 (*Dawn Barr*)

The prophet announces the birth of a king to a people in darkness.

**Carol:** What Child is This?

**Second Reading:** Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9 (*Siegfried Schwirblat*)

The king is coming and will usher in a reign of justice for the poor and peace for all of God's creation.

**Carol:** O Little Town of Bethlehem

**Third Reading:** Luke 1:26-35, 38 (*Leslie Stanford*)

The angel Gabriel announces to the virgin Mary that she will give birth to God's promised Son whose kingdom shall never end.

**Song:** Mary did you Know?

**Fourth Reading:** Luke 2:1-7 (*Eddie Eddy*)

Against a backdrop of emperors and taxes, Jesus is born.

**Song:** Gloria, Gloria (*Dan Holmes*)

**Prayers of the People** (*Bishop Dyck*)

**Lord's Prayer**

**Special Music:** District Clergy Choir

**Fifth Reading:** Luke 2:8-16 (*Brenda Byrne*)

The Shepherds go to see the Savior of the world, lying in a manger.

**Song:** Hark the Herald Angels Sing

**Sixth Reading:** Matthew 2:1-11 (*Larry Thomson*)

The Wise Men follow a star to find the child Jesus, the King of the Jews.

**Carol:** "We Three Kings"

**Seventh Reading:** John 1:1-14 (*Natarsha Gardner*)

John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

**Carol:** O Come, All Ye Faithful

**Offering** (*Kari Rainsberger*)

**Doxology**

**Offering Prayer** (*Kari Rainsberger*)

**Hymn:** "Go Tell it on the Mountain" (*Fabiola Grandon Mayer*)

**Benediction:** (*Melissa Meyers*)

**The Work of Christmas**

When the song of the angels is stilled,  
When the star in the sky is gone,  
When the kings and the 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 people,  
To make music in the heart.

~Howard Thurman