

Welcome to
Homestead Park
United Methodist Church



Announcements
~ This Week ~

Today

- Worship

- First Sunday of Christmas



Announcements
~ Upcoming Events ~

Sunday 01/02/21

- Homeless Lunch Delivery

Thursday 01/06/21 11 am

**- Video and discussion Bible Study
on How to Read the Bible for All Its
Worth. (Sanctuary)**

Saturday 01/08/21

- 9:30 am - Homeless Lunch Prep

**- 10 am - Take down Christmas
decorations**

Other Announcements

Opening Prayer (unison)

(Please stand as you are able)

Gracious and loving God, as we prepare to begin a new year, help us to discern what it is that moves us. Open our eyes to see the needs of our community, open our ears to hear your call, and open

our hearts to be filled by the Holy Spirit. Grant us the courage to use the gifts and talents you have blessed us with to do the work you have called us to. Build this community of faith, strengthening

**our bonds with one another and
with you. Help us to support and
encourage one another in our
ministry. May all that we do praise
you and be to your glory. Amen.**

Call to Worship (responsive)

(Please stand as you are able)

**Pastor: Behold, the Morning Star of
heaven;**

**People: Among beasts of the
earth, he is stabled.**

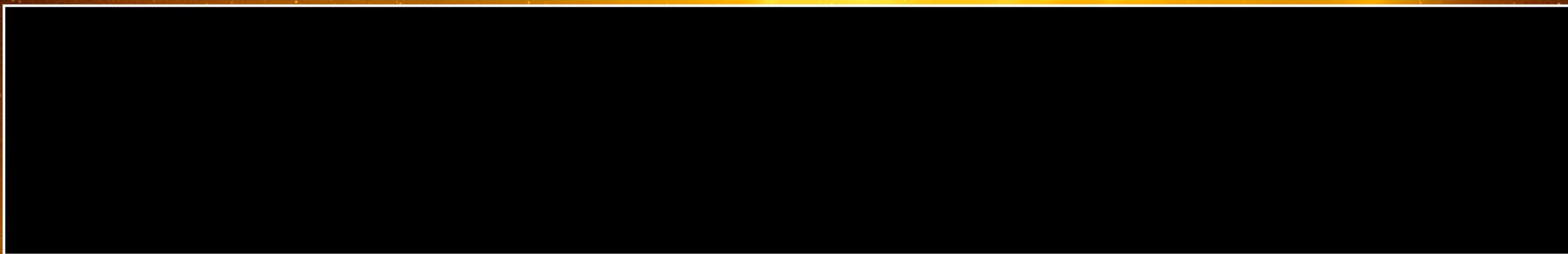
Pastor: The all-seeing eyes have closed in sleep.

People: The fullness of eternity is sealed in skin.

Pastor: He who cradled all worlds is himself cradled in a mother's arms.

All: Behold, the one true God, is one of us.

Songs of Praise





Children's Message



Offering

Online Giving -
homesteadpark.churchcenter.com

Doxology

(Please stand as you are able)

**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.**

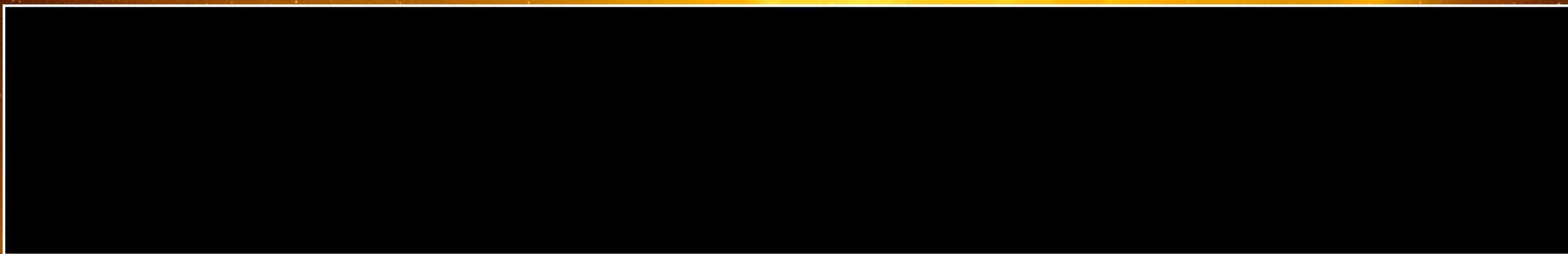
Our Time of Prayer

Prayers & Praises

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 trespasses as we forgive
those who trespass against us. Lead us not
into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Song of Praise





Our Scripture
Luke 2: 41-52 NIV

⁴¹ Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. ⁴² When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom.

43 After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it.

44 Thinking he was in their

company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him.

⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ Everyone who heard him was amazed at

his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us like this? Your

father and I have been
anxiously searching for you.”

⁴⁹ “Why were you searching for
me?” he asked. “Didn’t you
know I had to be in my
Father’s house?” ⁵⁰ But they did

not understand what he was saying to them.

⁵¹ Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these

**things in her heart. ⁵² And Jesus
grew in wisdom and stature,
and in favor with God and
man.**

Message

Christmas is All About
Showing Up!

Pastor Don Kephart

Hymn #251

Go Tell It on the Mountain

**Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.**

**While shepherds kept their
watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold throughout the heavens
there shown a holy light.**

**Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.**

**The shepherds feared and
trembled,
when lo! above the earth,
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed the Savior's birth.**

**Go, tell it on the mountain,
over the hills and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.**

**Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn.**

Benediction

Thank you for joining
us in worship!