



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Today is Christmas Sunday

- PRELUDE**..... Piano | Matt Logan
- Welcome**.....Pastor Denise Fogelsanger
- Call to Worship**.....Pastor David Perry  
*Angels From The Realms of Glory (#140)*
- Passing of the Peace**  
*It Came Upon A Midnight Clear (#151) v. 1, 3-4*
- Prayers of the People**
- Lord's Prayer**
- Offering**.....*The First Noel (#142) v. 1-2*

### HEARING THE WORD

**Sermon**.....Becky Owen

### RESPONDING

*O Little Town Of Bethlehem (#138) v. 1,4*

### SENDING

**Benediction**

#### Artist's Statement:

During Advent this year, we are displaying the banners of Indiana artist Linda Witte Henke, who writes: "The design for this series was inspired by "The Great O Antiphons," a collection of prayers dating back as far as the fourth or fifth centuries and intended for use during the final seven days before Christmas. The prayers, each of which address God using an Old Testament title and express a growing sense of urgency for the Messiah's coming, give voice to poignant human longings that are as relevant today as they were in centuries past. The design was executed from cotton fabric, cotton batting, and synthetic felt that were dyed, painted, stenciled, and stamped, then embellished with appliqué, improvisational stitching, hand embroidery, and found objects (metal hardware and plastic stars)."

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### Trusting in the Word of God

DEUTERONOMY 6:5-9  
JOSHUA 1:9  
PSALM 18:2  
MATTHEW 7:24-27

Throughout Advent we heard the angels say, "Do not be afraid!" But what about the fears that grip us today? The end of a year is a perfect time to reflect on the past and consider what is ahead of us. What fears did you face in 2024 and how can you give these to God and trust him as your Rock? The Word of God helps us to focus our attention on the God who is with us. In this intergenerational service, Becky Owen will remind us how God's truth drives out fear and can help us in the new year.

## WORSHIP RESOURCES

### WANT TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP?

If you are interested in joining with others to share life and dive deeper into the sermon and what it means for our lives, go to our website to learn more about getting connected ([granthamchurch.org/small-groups](http://granthamchurch.org/small-groups)).

### SERMON RESOURCES [granthamchurch.org/sermons](http://granthamchurch.org/sermons)

Sermons are posted online every Monday along with small group discussion questions and other sermon resources (e.g. sermon slides, sermon audio, service video, etc.).

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## EVENTS [granthamchurch.org/events](http://granthamchurch.org/events)



### THIS WEEK

Church Offices Closed .....MON, DEC 30-WED JAN 1  
Men's Bible Study .....FRI, JAN 3, 6:30AM  
Middle School Winter Retreat .....FRI-SUN, JAN 3-5

### NEXT SUNDAY Jan 5

J-Term Learning Community begins.....9AM  
Children's Choir .....10-10:20AM  
Worship Service .....10:30AM  
Kids Own Worship .....11AM  
30 Days of Prayer for our Community begins .....TODAY

### SAVE THE DATE

Moms Together .....WED, JAN 8, 9:30AM  
High School Winter Retreat .....FRI-SUN, JAN 10-12  
Sing & Play .....FRI, JAN 17, 9:30-10:15 & 10:30-11:15AM  
Meet the Pastors.....SUN, JAN 19, 12PM  
Wonderful Winter Wednesdays .....JAN 22, 6-7:30PM

## STAFF [granthamchurch.org/staff](http://granthamchurch.org/staff)

David Flowers.....senior pastor  
Melissa Lowther.....discipleship pastor  
David Perry.....worship arts pastor  
Denise Fogelsanger.....children's pastor  
Chrissy Hoffner.....youth coordinator  
Linda Worman...office administrator  
Derek Boyce...director of operations  
Cate Lewis.....communications  
Mike Ryan.....head custodian

## GIVING, ATTENDANCE, & VIEWS

### GENERAL FUND GIVING

Year to Date Budget \$841,137  
Year to Date Giving \$840,796

### LAST WEEK

Giving \$18,697  
Attendance 308  
Livestream 166