

Sebastian United Methodist Church
First Presbyterian Church, Corning IA



Rev. John Gill

Rev. Jessica Paulsen

A Service of Lessons and Carols

Music Minister, Megan Mash, MSM

December 27, 2020 ~ 10:00 a.m. Live Stream on Facebook

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Welcome to Worship

Welcome

Rev. John Gill
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***Call to Worship**

Ashton and Carson Boswell

Sing to the Living God! Sing a new song!

Sing to God, all the earth!

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

On those who lived in a land as dark as death a light has dawned. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us.

Authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it.

Let the field exult, and everything in it.

Let the trees of the forest sing for joy.

For the Living God is coming, coming to judge the earth,

To judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with truth.

*Carol 220	“Angels From the Realms of Glory”	REGENT SQUARE
First Lesson	Isaiah 11:1-9	Donna Osborne
Anthem	“Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming” Arr. Mark Hayes	Megan Mash
Second Lesson	Micah 5:2-5a	Pete Brantner
Carol 230	“O Little Town of Bethlehem”	ST. LOUIS
Third Lesson	Matthew 1:1-17	Pastors John Gill & Jessica Paulsen
Carol 219	‘What Child Is This’	GREENSLEEVES
Forth Lesson	Luke 1:26-38	Katie Gowin
Carol 218	“It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”	CAROL
Fifth Lesson	Matthew 1:18-25	Michelle Morgan
Carol 217	“Away In a Manger”	AWAY IN A MANAGER
Sixth Lesson	Luke 2:1-7	Sharon Johnson
Carol 227	“The Friendly Beasts”	Virtual Quartet
Seventh Lesson	Luke 2:8-16	Avery Morgan
Carol 238	“Angels We Have Heard on High”	GLORIA

Eighth Lesson	Matthew 2:1-12	Diann Flanigan
Carol 245	“The First Noel”	THE FIRST NOEL
Ninth Lesson	Matthew 2:13-23	Angie Mullen
Carol	“A Weary Couple”	Small Group

Prayer

Pastors John Gill and Jessica Paulsen

When children are abused

You share our anger

When children are in pain

You share our distress

When children are murdered

You share our horror

When children die

You share our despair

*God, who welcomes and cherishes children,
we bring you our prayers:*

*We pray for children living and dying in places of fear and violence,
for children dying of hunger and disease.*

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

*We pray for children who have been abducted from their homes,
for children who are pawns in political games.*

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

*We pray for children who are tortured and abused,
for children whose lives are short and full of pain.*

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

*We pray for parents who have to watch their children die,
for parents who are unable to keep their children safe.*

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

*We pray for children and parents and guardians in our midst,
for all who love them and support them.*

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

*God of earth and heaven,
in times of pain
and in times of plenty,
we seek your blessing.
Lay your hands on us in love
and give good gifts to your children.
In Jesus's name and in the love of the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.*

Anthem	“I Wonder as I Wander”	Handbells
Tenth Lesson	John 1:1-14	Leigh Standley
*Carol 246	“Joy to the World”	ANITCOH
Benediction	Go Out Through the Gates Pastors John Gill and Jessica Paulsen	by Brian Wren
*Carol 251	“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”	GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN
Closing Voluntary	Go Tell It On the Mountain “ arr. Mark Hayes	Megan Mash

This Week

12/27/20	9 am	No In person worship
	10 am	Lessons and Carols Worship Livestream SUMC Facebook
	11:15 am	No in person worship
	3 pm	LOL Youth FH
12/28/20	10 am-2pm	Soul Café FH Meals to go only
	10 am	Barb Farrington Bible Study will be ZOOM only
12/30/20	1pm—3pm	Church office Closed
	1 pm	Ed J Computer group NO meetings until January
12/31/20	9am-11am	Church office Open
01/03/20	9 am	In Person Worship FH
	10 am	Worship Livestream SUMC Facebook
	11:15 am	In Person Worship Sanctuary

Face Masks and Social Distancing at all in person functions

Church Prayer Requests

The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective - James 5:16

Send your prayer concerns and request to

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Sunday Worship Prayer Concerns

Richard & Sherry Hunter

Lois Planeta

Doris Herrick

Clay Ott

Kraft Family at the passing of Theresa's husband Jim

Dave Caster

Alan Rothfuss

Ann Lefever

Pray for the Homebound & those in Assisted Living

Minnie Hungerford, Janice & Ed Ertel, June Crain, Carmen Wilson, Inez Fielding

Pray for Our Men and Women In the Military

MSgt. David Schumacher (USAF), Airman Blake Greishaw (USAF)

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Lisa Davis

Ted Armstutz

Yvonne Oleksy

Ed Oleksy

Kevin Snyder

Marlene Kalsch

Jane Hino

Pat Banta

Sam Roper

Ana Castro

Kathi Schwomeyer

Jim Schwomeyer

Dick Rickert

Sheri Peterson

Ray Royall

Mary Jo Barton

Lloyd Thomas

Sean Cousins

Chuck Benjamin

Sima