
Sr Pastor

Pastor Ruben Sernas

EldersBob Horton John Hrenko
Joe Mayberry**Deacons**Rick Adams Joe Graves
Gary Morgan Angelo Sica
Jim Swank**Financial Update as of 12.1.24**December Giving \$ 4,772
November Est Expenses \$20,000YTD Budget \$63,970
YTD Giving \$56,723
YTD Deficit (\$ 7,247)
*(our fiscal year runs Sept-Aug)***Attendance last Sunday**Worship Service 75

Please pray for these Heritage families this coming week:

Donel, Shela, Brittany & Brianna DeShommes

Ben Duffy

Kennedy Ebu, Nadesh Mbang, Epote, Munge & Emade Ekane

Cecelia & Comfort

Donnie Emade

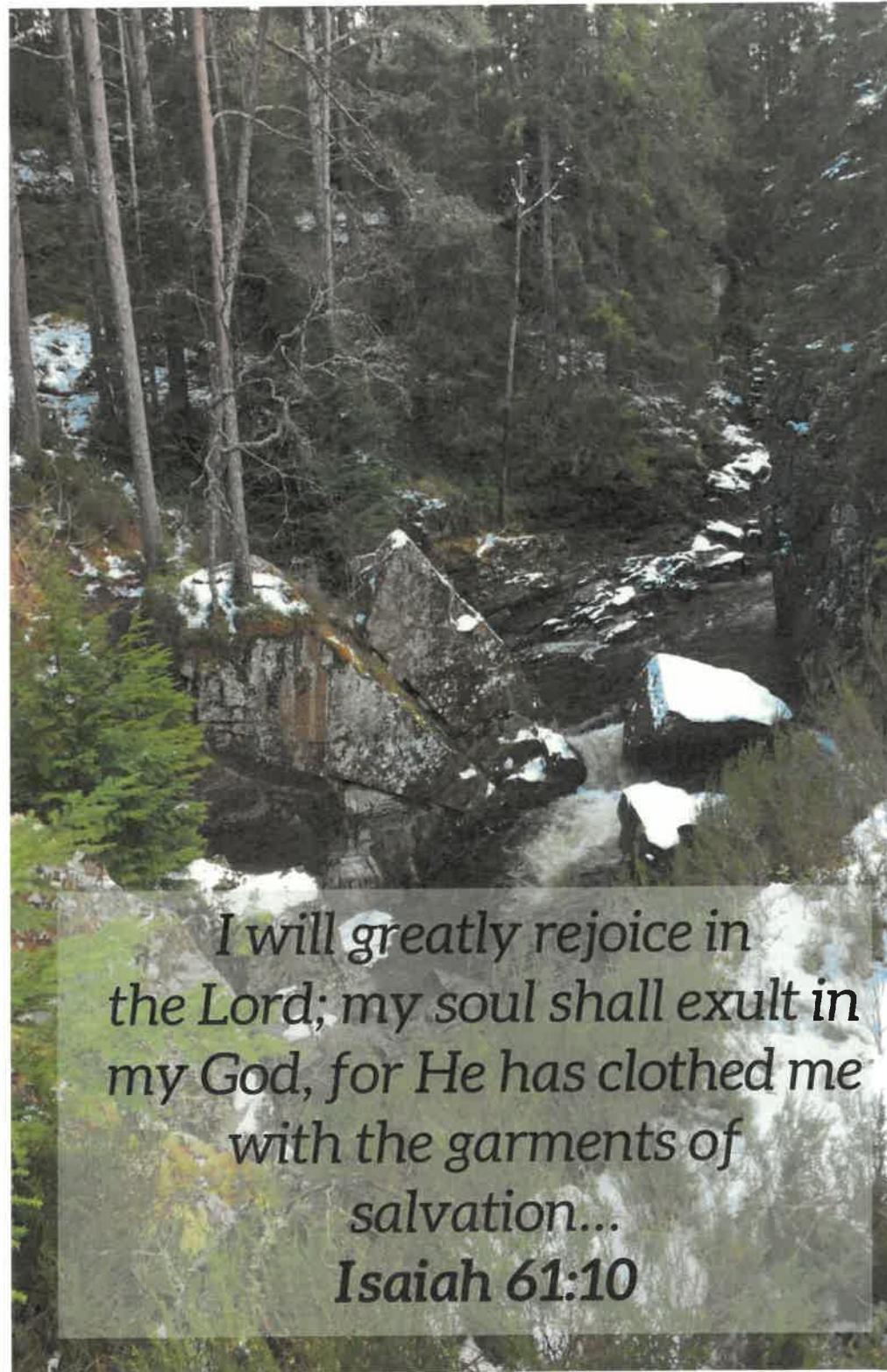
This morning's Youth Ministry volunteers**Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** Joanne Graves & Denise Squires**Sunday School nursery:** _____ + _____**Next Sunday, 12/15****Worship nursery:** _____ + _____**Jr Church:** _____ + _____**Sunday School nursery:** _____ + _____

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Heritage Presbyterian Church

Sunday Worship**9:30 am****Sunday School****11:15 am****You may contact us at**Heritage Presbyterian Church
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I will greatly rejoice in
the Lord; my soul shall exult in
my God, for He has clothed me
with the garments of
salvation...

Isaiah 61:10

December 8, 2024

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Lighting of the Advent Candle — Love

Debbie Adams
Pastor Sernas
Joe & Joanne Graves

Approaching God

Call to Worship: Isaiah 61:10 (ESV)

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation; He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

* **Song of Praise:** O Come, O Come Emmanuel

* **Prayer of Adoration**, closing with 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 and ever. Amen.

Confessing our Need of God's Sustaining Grace

Heavenly Father, our hearts are wild and unruly, and we confess the perversity that governs our souls day after day. Lord Jesus, You entered our world, deeply immersing Yourself in it without ever being of it, or caught up in the counsel of sinful system of thoughts. You obeyed Your Heavenly Father perfectly in Your thoughts, words and actions. By Your perfect obedience, You gained for Your people righteousness. By faith, Christ's righteousness is credited to our spiritual account. Holy Spirit, may the truth from Your Word captivate and delight us afresh as we find ourselves constantly in need of Your mercy and grace. In Christ's name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Sustaining Grace: Philippians 3:8-11 (ESV)

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own that

comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and may share His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

* **Song of Thanksgiving:** O Sing a Song of Bethlehem

Delighting in God

Call to Give: Genesis 28:22 (ESV)

... and this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house. And of all that you give me I will give a full tenth to you."

God's Kingdom Building: Andrew & Megan Nairn,
serving with MTW in Tokyo, Japan

Prayer of Praise & Intercession

* **Songs of Anticipation:** *Let This Christmas Be
Sing We Now of Christmas*

Hearing God

Reading of God's Word: Isaiah 7:1-7

Sermon

"Immanuel, the Messiah"

Pastor Sernas

* **Closing Song:** *What Child is This*

* **Benediction**

*** All who are able, please stand**

After the Worship service, if you have a special prayer request or a question concerning the sermon or a question regarding eternal life with God, please come to one of the front pews, someone will be glad to speak with you.

Taking the Sermon Home With You 12/8/24

Isaiah 7:1-17 "Immanuel, the Messiah"

The Prophet Isaiah and King Ahaz

The Virgin and Her Son

Questions for personal &/ or group discussion:

1. What was the geo-political predicament of the southern kingdom of Judah?

2. What did the Lord tell Isaiah to tell King Ahaz?

3. What was the fate of Syria and Israel (the northern kingdom)?

4. Why was the Messiah born of a virgin?

5. What is the meaning of the name "Immanuel"?