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THE VALLEY CHURCH

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday, December 17, 2023

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Sundays at 10:30am

3836 S Madison Ave, Norwood, OH 45212

Evening of Christmas Carols

We are joining Grace and Truth Church tonight for an evening of Christmas carols. Meet us at 2037 Courtland Ave at 5:00 for an evening of worship followed by delicious goodies.

Blue Christmas Service

Our annual Blue Christmas service is tomorrow at 7 o'clock at the church. If you or a loved one are dealing with sorrow this Christmas season, let us encourage you to join us. It'll be an uplifting evening with teaching, worship, and testimonies of God's faithfulness in our suffering.

Christmas Eve Service

Join us next Sunday for Christmas Eve! We will have our usual Advent service in the morning but also our special annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion gathering at 4:00pm. Continue this great Christmas tradition with us next Sunday.

LAST WEEK'S GIVING TOTAL:
\$5,649.23

Christmas offering: \$3,645.19

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Advent Joy

Christian joy is marked by gladness, an excitement about belonging to Jesus and is present during all emotional seasons of life.

Luke 2:22-38 gives us the story of Simeon and Anna and reveals what genuine joy at the arrival of Christ really looks like.

1. Christian Joy is born of the Holy Spirit

a. Vs 25, 26, 27 all reference this

2. Christian Joy is rooted in Christian Hope

a. Simeon was WAITING for the consolation of Israel

3. Jesus shows the weight that God puts on His Word

a. Vs 22-24 shows the first family bringing Jesus to the temple to fulfill the requirements given by the Word of God

4. Christian Joy aches, longs, and desires

a. Christ already came but our Joy makes us long for His return

5. Christian Joy Heralds

a. Joy leads to gratitude and gladness. Gratitude and gladness draws people in.

Our world is so dark right now, the bar of apologetics is low. Displaying genuine joy in Christ is enough light to draw people in for the glory of God as so many are void of true joy in anything else.