

Please note there are no services on Christmas Day.

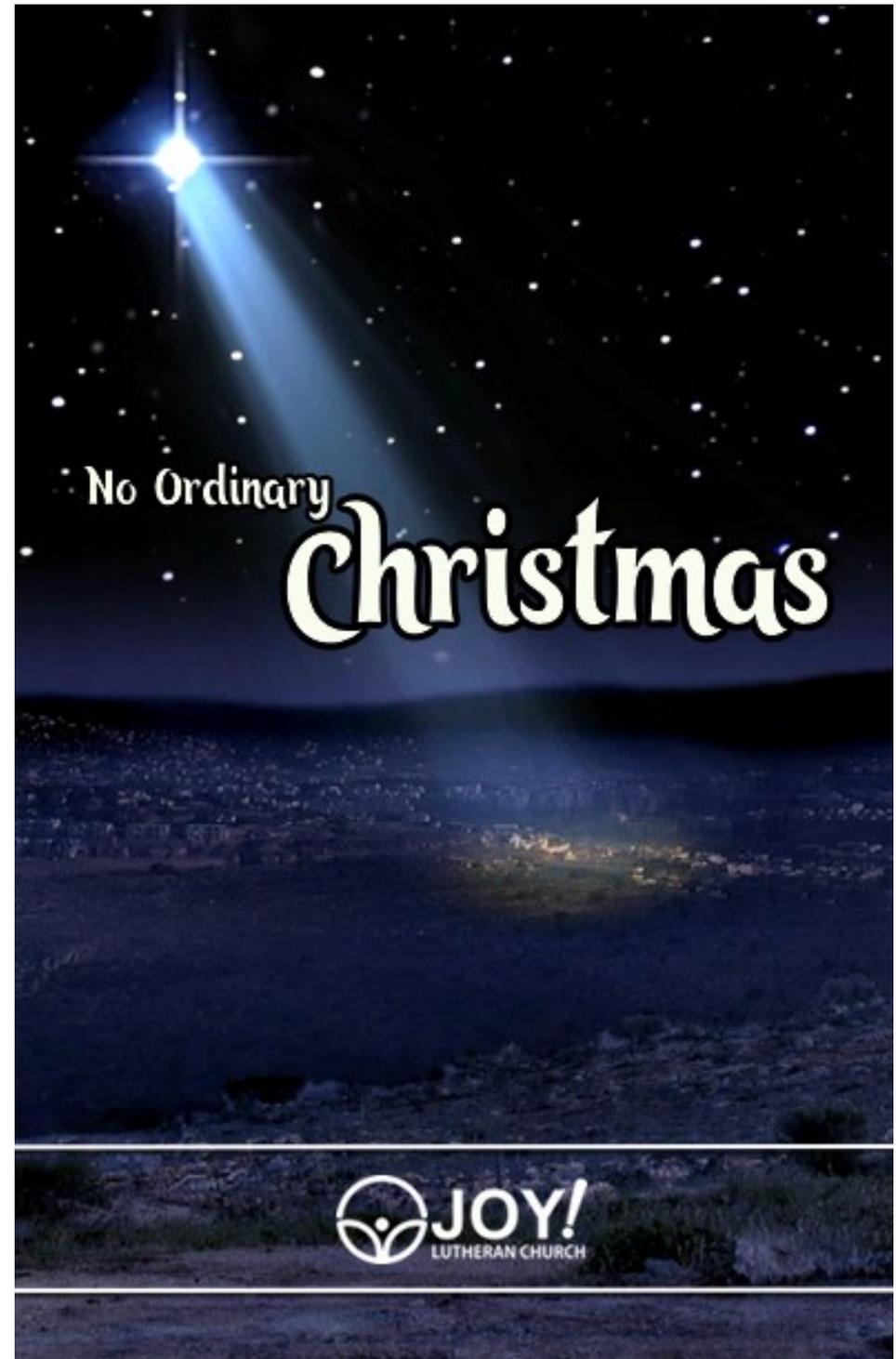
The church office will be closed from December 26 thru January 2, 2018. Voicemail will be checked on a daily basis.

There will be one service on December 31 at 9:45am!

We hope you join us as we explore the story of the visit of the Magi to the baby Jesus as found in Matthew Chapter 2. The birth of Christ took place in a world filled with political unrest and oppression but the Magi's visit to the Messiah proclaims peace and goodwill to all - a message that's still relevant 2000 years later.

Join us starting Sunday, January 7, 2018 (9 & 10:30 am) for a new 5 week sermon series called "The Best Yes".

We're pulled in so many different directions - work, family, school, church, and so much more. How in the world can we find balance? More than ever we are learning that busier lives are not equating to happier or more fulfilled lives. How did we end up here, and how do we get out of it? When we focus on making the "best yes" decisions we can fully live out our God created purpose, living lives filled with joy, despite the endless demands on our time.



Merry Christmas!

If this is your first time to Joy!—welcome! Don't worry, when necessary, we'll provide directions. All the words to the songs will be on the screen. And when it comes time for communion you are invited to participate. We'll provide directions for that too. When the offering plate is passed, don't feel obligated. If you had prayer requests that you wrote down on the Connections Card, place it in the offering plate.

I guess what I am trying to say is take a deep breath and relax so you can enjoy the service. The Christmas story you're about to hear is familiar to many. Two newlyweds with a baby on the way. But this baby is no ordinary baby. This is the child of God who came down from heaven to be with us. For reasons we'll talk about in my message, this child, even before he could speak, gave hope to people. And it was no ordinary hope. This was a hope that has changed lives and continues to change lives. This hope has allowed people to experience joy in the midst of tragedy. And peace in the midst of chaos.

Tonight may you discover or rediscover hope again.

Merry Christmas!

Mark Borgetti

Lead Pastor Joy! Lutheran Church

Order of Service Christmas Eve

WELCOME

Angels We Have Heard On High

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

O Come All Ye Faithful

The First Noel

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYER

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Mark Borgetti, Lead Pastor

What Child is This

VIDEO— Luke 2:1-20

MESSAGE

Mark Borgetti, Lead Pastor

PRAYER

When Hope Came Down

OFFERING - Electronic Giving Cards are available on the usher's stand for those who donate electronically and would like to physically participate in the offering.

ANTHEM *4 pm & 8 pm: A Hallelujah Christmas*
 11 pm: Christmas Offering

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION—All are welcome to come to this meal in which we encounter Christ and His gifts of love and mercy. (Gluten free wafers are available in the center aisle)

ANTHEM *Adore*

PRAYER

CANDLELIGHTING

Silent Night

SCRIPTURE READING John 8:12

Joy to the World

BENEDICTION