

Christmas EVE



PURPOSE CHURCH



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CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

DECEMBER 24 | 10AM | 3PM | 5PM | 7PM

"A CELTIC CHRISTMAS OVERTURE"

DIRECTOR: JAY WALDEN

"JOY, JOY"

SOLO: JARRET LEMASTER

"GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN"

SOLOS: THERESA CHAYTOR, LETITIA UGWUEKE

"JOY TO THE WORLD"

"O COME, O COME EMMANUEL"

"WE THREE KINGS"

MARY

PASTOR LISA TONEY

"SANCTUARY"

SOLOS: CARTER PERCIVAL, DAVID QUINTANA

JOSEPH

PASTOR ERIC HOLMSTROM

"O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL"

PRAYER

TAMIKO CHACON/SHAM RAMBARAN

"O HOLY NIGHT"

SOLO: SHELLI MARSH/SAMANTHA HUNTER

THE THREE WISEMEN

PASTOR GLENN GUNDERSON

CANDLELIGHTING

"SILENT NIGHT"

WELCOME

We are so glad you've chosen to spend part of your Christmas with us! I usually remain at the front of the stage after each service. Please come by and introduce yourself; I would love to meet you! If you would like to know more about ministries for you or your family, stop by the Connect Center or stay up to date online at PurposeChurch.com

PASTOR GLENN

Childcare is provided through age 5 in our nursery.
Our Family Room (with live video of the service) is also available.

Please set phones to vibrate during the worship service.
Thank you!

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Each Christmas Eve, Purpose Church receives a special offering to help people in need.

This year's Christmas offering will go toward building homes for returning refugees of Northern Iraq. After many years of desperation and living in refugee camps, families are choosing to return to their ancestral lands. Even though they are confronted with the devastation of destroyed homes, schools and churches, they are committed to stay. With your support, we can help families rebuild from the destruction of ISIS. Designate your gift "Christmas Offering" to bless these families.



UNWRAPPED

Unwrapping God's Greatest Gift

DECEMBER 24, 2017

LISA TONEY - EXECUTIVE PASTOR

MARY

LUKE 1:30-33, 35, 38, 45

But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God.

³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

³⁵ The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

³⁸ "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

⁴⁵ "Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill his promises to her!"

1ST DESTROYER OF JOY: FEAR

When Mary was **AFRAID** she chose **TO TRUST GOD AND ACCEPT HIS PLAN.**

ERIC - STUDENT MINISTRIES PASTOR

JOSEPH

MATTHEW 1:18-25

This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

²⁰ But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³ "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us").

²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. ²⁵ But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

2ND DESTROYER OF JOY: HURT

When Joseph was **HURT** he chose **TO SHOW GRACE AND LOVE**.

GLENN GUNDERSON - LEAD PASTOR

THE THREE WISEMEN

MATTHEW 2:1-2; 9-11

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

⁹ After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.

¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

3RD DESTROYER OF JOY: CONFUSION

When the wisemen were **CONFUSED** they chose **TO FOLLOW GOD'S LIGHT ONE STEP AT A TIME**.

Jeremiah 29:13

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all of your heart.

When God leads: You will almost never see the third step.

You will seldom see the second step.

You might not even see the first step clearly.

They will all be scary!

HOW TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP!

Christmas

GOD'S GIFT TO YOU

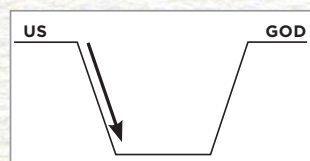
Admit your condition before God ...

For all have sinned and fall short of the
glory of God.
Romans 3:23



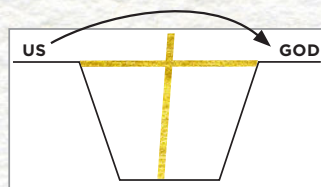
Believe that Jesus Christ is God's only solution to your condition ...

For the wages of sin is death,
but the gift of God is eternal life in
Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 6:23



Choose to follow Christ as your Savior and Lord ...

"I tell you, whoever hears my word and
believes him who sent me
has eternal life and will not be judged;
but has crossed over from death to life."
John 5:24



Suggested Prayer

Dear God, thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus Christ, to earth. I believe Jesus was who He said He was and proved it by rising from death. I want to discover and begin following Your plan and purpose for my life. I want to get to know You personally. Thank You, Jesus Christ, for dying for me and forgiving all my sins. I receive You as my Lord and Savior. Thank You for Your free gift of eternal life.

WE WOULD LOVE TO MEET YOU AND HELP YOU TAKE
YOUR NEXT STEPS WITH JESUS AND THE CHURCH.
PLEASE STOP BY THE CONNECT CENTER WHERE WE
HAVE PASTORS AND VOLUNTEERS EAGER TO TALK
WITH YOU!

WE INVITE YOU TO
worship!

**JOIN US NEXT WEEK AS WE RETURN TO OUR REGULAR
SUNDAY SCHEDULE AND CLOSEOUT 2017**

PURPOSE CHURCH POMONA

8:30AM TRADITIONAL (WORSHIP CENTER)
9:45AM CONTEMPORARY (WORSHIP CENTER)
11:11AM CONTEMPORARY (WORSHIP CENTER)
11:11AM SPANISH (B BUILDING)
11:11AM ARABIC (H104)

WORSHIP CENTER | 601 N. GAREY AVENUE

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PURPOSE CHURCH CLAREMONT

10:00AM CONTEMPORARY

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