

Small Groups

Not attending a small group? There are several opportunities for you to get plugged in!

- **Adult Sunday School Class:** meets the first, third, and fourth Sundays of the month in the Crossroads classroom.
- **Journey Men:** men's group meets the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month at 7:30 am at the church.
- **Tuesday Bible Studies:** one group open to all at 9:30 am in the Crossroads classroom; women's study that meets at 10:00 am in SE Classroom. You are welcome at both!
- **Chick Chat:** a women's small group, meets every Thursday morning at 9:00 am in the Crossroads classroom.
- **Men's Group:** meets Wednesdays at 7:30 am at The Original Pancake House.

This week's calendar ...

Today, Dec 22	10:45 am	Adult Sunday School
	12:00 pm	Braggin' Rights Watch Party
Mon, Dec 23	10:00 am	Parkinson's Support Group
Tue, Dec 24	7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Service
	7:00 pm	Al-Anon
Wed, Dec 25		MERRY CHRISTMAS!

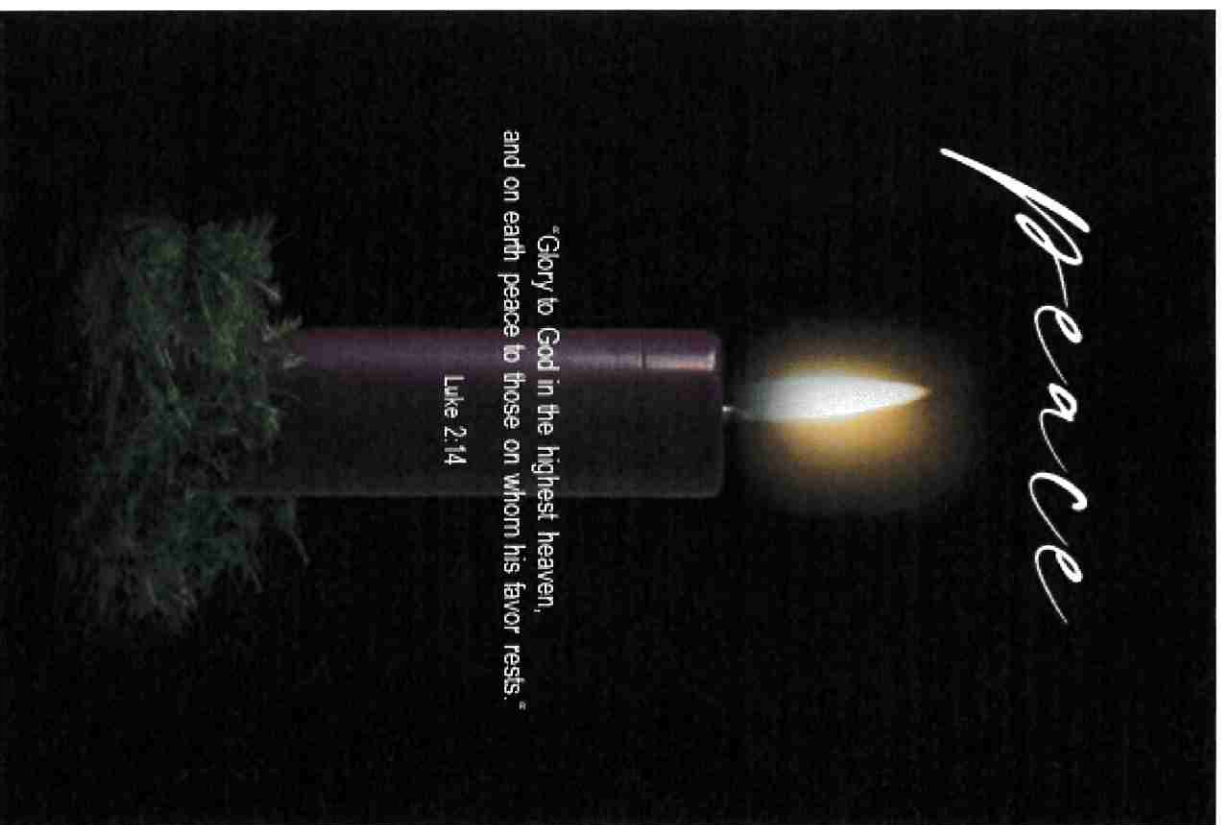


Church finances as of November 30, 2024 -

Income: \$275,116

Expenses: \$285,945

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and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

Luke 2:14



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Welcome to Worship!

December 22, 2024 9:30 AM

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Advent Candle Lighting

May & Isaac Rhee

Offering

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Hymn

"What Child Is This?"

Message

"Peace of Christmas"

Rev Jungil Rhee

Praise Song

"Joy to the World/Unspeakeable Joy"

Benediction

Postlude

Announcements



Join us next Sunday for the Illinois vs Missouri Braggins' Rights basketball game following worship! The Mission Team will be selling concessions. Proceeds will go to CU@Home.



Deadline for articles for the December issue of the church newsletter is tomorrow, Monday, Dec 23. Email your articles to the church office at church@savoyumc.org.



Monday, Dec 23 - Open (9:00am - 1:00pm)
Tuesday, Dec 24 - Open (11:00am - 2:00pm)
Wednesday, Dec 25 - CLOSED
Thursday, Dec 26 - Open (9:00am - 1:00pm)
Friday, Dec 27 - Open (9:00am - 1:00pm)
Monday, Dec 30 - CLOSED
Tuesday, Dec 31 - CLOSED
Wednesday, Jan 1 - CLOSED
Thursday, Dec 26 - Open (9:00am - 1:00pm)

Please join us for a time of fellowship directly following the worship service today!

Sermon Notes

Peace of Christmas

Luke 2: 1-20, NIV

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⁸And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.

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