### SERMON & PRAYER NOTES

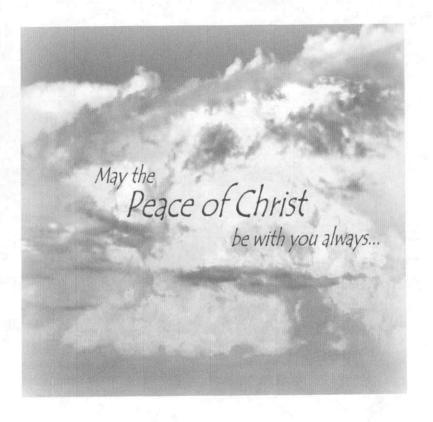
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We don't care where you've been....
We only care about where you're going...

## Holy Spirit Community Church 'Seeking God's will, Sharing God's love'

Sunday December 17th 2023



Pastor Charlie

- •During this third week of advent, this Sunday celebrates the passage Philippians 4:4-5, its verses extolling readers to "rejoice" for "indeed the Lord is near."
- •In other words, this week celebrates the joy of Christ's coming to earth.
- •We should also note that not every church uses a pink candle to represent this day. Some will use a violet one, just like all the others. Violet tends to have a somber nature, and it also reflects royalty, acknowledging Jesus' kingship.
- •No matter what color of candle a church displays on that third Sunday, churches want to highlight the importance of joy in advent season. During a time where depression is at an all-time high and people seem to be in the most despair, this candle offers a bright light during a dark time.
- •It is also known as the Shepherd Candle to highlight the joy the shepherds experienced when they received the good news about Christ's birth (<u>Luke 2:8-20</u>). During the middle of the night, the darkest time, the shepherds encountered angels.

### **SERVICES:**

DECEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> will be 10am. DECEMBER 25<sup>th</sup> will be 10am.

# ORDER OF SERVICE HOLY SPIRIT COMMUNITY CHURCH Welcome Opening prayer

#### **WORSHIPPING**

Through music.

Stand, sit, sing loud or quiet. This is a time to draw close to the Lord. Let the spirit fill you up and know His grace and Love.

#### **KOINONIA**

All of us are broken. We come together to bring praises and requests before the Lord, as He is the only one who can fix us.

Offering as a form of worship

### Message today: PEACE

Matthew 6:25~John 14:27
Romans 16:20~ 1Peter5:7~1 Peter 3:9
Matthew 11:28~Philippians 4:12

WORSHIPPING
With music and song as we again sing to the
Lord
Closing prayer and blessing