

NO LONGER CAPTIVE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come as people held captive by our fears.

People: *We come as people filled with the expectation that Christ can set us free.*

Leader: We come as people held captive by temptations.

People: *We come as people filled with the expectation that Christ can set us free.*

Leader: We come as people held captive by our sorrows.

People: *We come as people filled with the expectation that Christ can set us free.*

Leader: We come as people held captive by our misguided priorities.

People: *We come as people filled with the expectation that Christ can set us free.*

Leader: We come as people held captive by our ignorance.

People: *We come as people filled with the expectation that Christ can set us free.*

Leader: We come as people held captive by our conflict and strife.

People: *We come as people filled with the expectation that Christ can set us free.*

All: *We come as people filled with the expectation that in this place we will meet Christ, that in this place we will taste freedom. Rejoice! Rejoice!*

HYMN

“O come, O come, Immanuel”
No. 172, *Hymnal: A Worship Book*

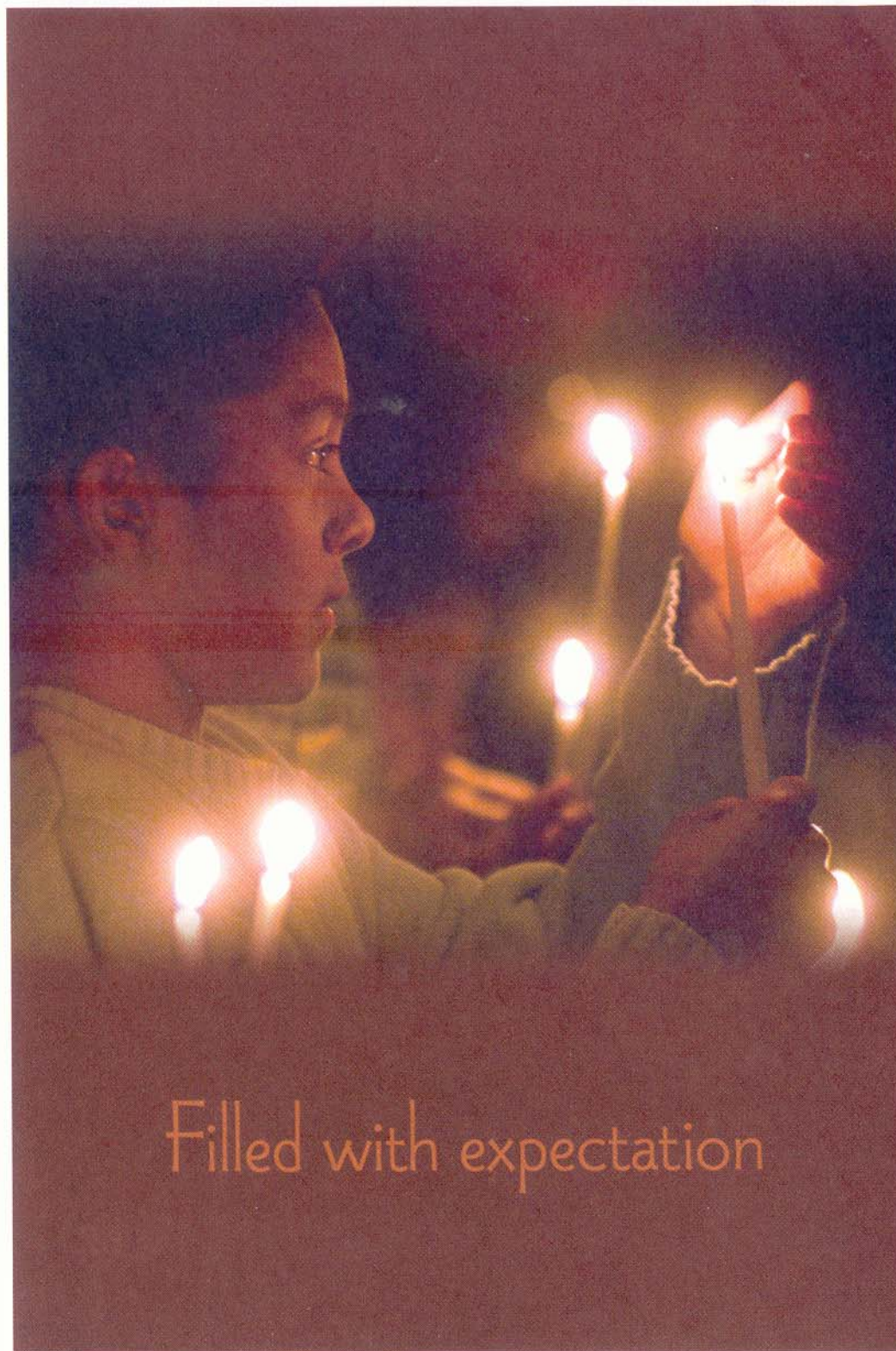
—Rhonda Pittman Gingrich
Open Circle Church of the Brethren
Burnsville, Minnesota

Text for Today

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (15)

As the people were **filled with expectation**, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals.”

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN LIVING WORD BULLETIN 1107



Filled with expectation



Sheldon Church of the Brethren
 Ministers - All Members
 November 26, 2006
 9:30 a.m. Worship



*CLOSING HYMN #492 *God of Eve and God of Mary*

*BENEDICTION

* - Please Stand, if you are able

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING/SHARING TIME/SPECIAL DAYS

PRELUDE/LIGHT CANDLES

* GATHERING HYMN #172 *O Come, O Come, Immanuel*
(verses 1,2,5,6)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (back of bulletin)

*INVOCATION #721 (responsive reading)

PRAISE HYMN #94 *Come, Ye Thankful People*

CHILDREN'S TIME (Gathering Song: *Jesus Loves the Little Children*)
"Origins"

OFFERTORY HYMN #388 *Grant Us, Lord, the Grace (offering taken)*

*DOXOLOGY #119

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN #178 *Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus*

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Luke 17:11-19

MESSAGE "Grace, Gifts, and Gratitude"

PRAYER OF BLESSING ON THE WORD

SERVING THE CONGREGATION TODAY, November 26:

Message	Rev. David Loveall
Children's Message	Rev. David Loveal
Music	Donna Brinkman
Ushers	Mark and Ryan Maggert
Adult Sunday School	Donna Brinkman
Children's Sunday School	Ann and Sandi

SERVING THE CONGREGATION SUNDAY, December 3:

Message	Rev. David Loveall
Children's Message	Marcene Cox
Music	Marcene Cox
Ushers	Mark and Scott Maggert
Adult Sunday School	Marcene Cox
Children's Sunday School	Ann and Sandi

PRAYER REMINDERS

Our Congregation & Children	Reaching Out to Our Community
The Leland Grove family	Rowena Loveall's family
Arline English	Yvonne Rohlfen
Linda Beal	Ann Evans
United Christians International	Jean Jean & Kristie
Those Serving in the Military	
Living Peace Church of the Brethren	in Sioux City

Anniversaries and Birthdays for November

Birthdays

28 - Gregory Harder

05 - Laurean Clover
06 - Scott Peterson
13 - Jo Rolston
15 - Harriet Rolston

Many happy returns of the day of thy birth. May sunshine and gladness be given and may the Dear Father prepare thee on earth for a beautiful birthday in heaven.

Church Events

Welcome!

Welcome to Rev. David Loveall this morning.

Welcome to all visitors and guests. May you receive God's blessing from today's service, and go out and witness for Him!

Adult Sunday School

Please join us for adult Sunday School. We will be discussing the subject "Stressed Out" for the next few weeks using the *Serindipity Bible For Groups* with a Bible study format. This week's topic is "Stress in a Secular World" (Genesis 18:16-33). All are WELCOME!

Prayer Reminder

Leland Grove passed away late Friday, Nov. 17, surrounded by family at Hospice Care Center in Pocahontas, IA. Memorial services were in Laurens at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, and on Wednesday, Nov. 22, he was interred in South English, IA. Cards may be sent to 521 East Main St. Apt. 102, Laurens, IA 50554-1556. We extend our love and sympathy to Jeannette and the family.

Ladies Night Out

Ladies of the church are planning an evening at Bethel Reformed Church, in Sheldon, Sunday evening, Dec. 3 from 6 - 7 p.m. for Trees and Treats and at 7:15 p.m. for "The Birthday Party". Please pay Sandi Cox \$5 for your ticket. Marcene or Sandi will have the tickets at Bethel that night, if you didn't get yours today.

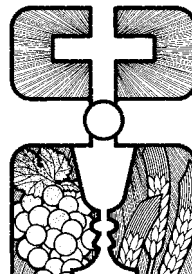
Community Events

Now - Dec. 1: Sign-up for the Adopt-A-Family program. Both those wishing to be adopted and those wishing to adopt a family or contribute money may call Upper Des Moines Opporutnity at 712-757-1023 or 1-888-886-1598.

Guest Speakers

Dec. 3 - Rev. David Loveall (Communion)	Jan. 28 -
Dec. 10 - Don Adkins	Feb. 4 - Rev. David Loveall (Communion)
Dec. 17 - Rev. Don Lenderink	Feb. 11 - Rev. Lucinda Douglas
Dec. 24 - Rev. David Loveall	Feb. 18 -
Dec. 31 - Pete Aberson	Feb. 25 -
Jan. 7 - Rev. David Loveall (Communion)	
Jan. 14 - Pete Aberson	
Jan. 21 - Rev. Lucinda Douglas	

OUT REACH MINISTRIES



Body & Soul are jointly nourished through a fellowship meal, and spiritual exploration.

Christ's Cupboard



"I was hungry, and you gave me food..." is the spirit behind providing to those who need it.



Kinship

The program is designed to match adults with children ages 5 to 18 to foster a mentoring atmosphere.

2005 CHURCH OFFICERS

Moderator:

Linda Adams

Deacons

Clarence & Rhelma Evans

Adult Sunday School Coordinator

Jo Rolston

Auditor

Alan Cox - 2005
Marcene Cox - 2006

Children's Ministry Coordinator

Michele Elder
Brianna Kane

Children's S/S Coordinator

Laurean Clover

Clerk

Jo Rolston

District Conference Del.

Darius Elder

Ministerial Committee

Ross Cox - 2005
Rhelma Evans - 2006
Jo Rolston - 2006
Marcene Cox - 2007
Steve Dagel - 2008

Nominating Committee

Scott Maggert - 2005
Sandi Cox - 2006
Laurean Clover - 2007
Alan Cox - 2008

OUR CHURCH

Worship Service9:30am
Christian Education (Sept.-May) .10:50 am

Communion

1st Sunday of Each Month

Body & Soul (Sept. - May) Wednesdays,
6:30 & 7:30 pm

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