Lewisburg United Methodist Church *Worship Service* January 1, 2023 at 10am

Time to Gather Hark the Herald Angels Sing Shared by Chris Hicks

Welcome!

Opening Hymn (UMH 249)* There's A Song in the Air Led by Choir

Call to Worship

Word for Children Shared by Tina Campbell

Song of Praise Do You Hear What I Hear? Shared by Emily McCourt

Today's Scripture Lesson 1 John 5:1-5

The Message God Is....VICTORIOUS! Shared by Toni Hughes

Song of Prayer In the Bleak Midwinter Shared by Emily McCourt

Sharing Our Prayer Concerns & Prayer

Benediction

Musical Benediction (UMH 383)* This Is A Day of New Beginnings Led by Choir



Thought Jots...

Do you love God?

Do you love God's commandments?

Do you love his people?

How do we know we are living as a child of God?

*Indicates you are invited to sing. Lyrics are located on the screens and on the back of this bulletin.

**Have a prayer concern? Write it on a slip of paper located on the table in the center of the sanctuary and it will be given to the Prayer Concerns Reader.

Opening Song: There's A Song in the Air

There's a song in the air! There's a star in the sky! There's a mother's deep prayer and a baby's low cry! And the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

There's a tumult of joy o'er the wonderful birth, for the virgin's sweet boy is the Lord of the earth. Ay! the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

In the light of that star lie the ages impearled, and that song from afar has swept over the world. Every hearth is a-flame, and the beautiful sing in the homes of the nations that Jesus is King!

We rejoice in the light, and we echo the song that comes down through the night from the heavenly throng. Ay! we shout to the lively evangel they bring, and we greet in his cradle our Savior and King!

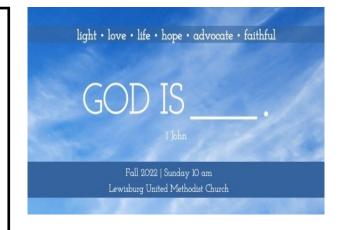
Musical Benediction: This Is a Day of New Beginnings

This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on, time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone.

For by the life and death of Jesus, God's mighty Spirit, now as then, can make for us a world difference, as faith and hope are born again.

Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past and leave behind our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths and sure to find.

Christ is alive, and goes before us to show and share what love can do. This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.



Looking Ahead!!

Our worship series,

"God Is...,"

which focuses upon 1 John, continues next Sunday, January 8, 2023 when Rev. Bev Colombo will share the message,

God Is....THREE IN ONE!