

The people whose names had been written with love  
He gathered to take to His Father above.  
With those who were ready He rose without a sound.  
While all the rest were left standing around.

I fell to my knees, but it was too late;  
I had waited too long and thus sealed my fate.  
I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight;  
Oh, if only I had been ready tonight.

In the words of this poem the meaning is clear;  
The coming of Jesus is drawing near.  
There's only one life and when comes the last call  
We'll find that the Bible was true after all!

Sunday – Dec.24

*Worship Leader – Bernie  
Song Leading –  
Pianist –  
Offertory – Claudette  
Offering – Local  
Sound – Devin  
Music Ministry - Vanessa  
Speaker – Pastor Myron  
Computer – Joel*

**“WE PURPOSE TO BE A SPIRIT LED COMMUNITY  
THAT DRAWS PEOPLE TO CHRIST, AND HELPS**

**THEM GROW TO BE EFFECTIVE SERVANTS OF  
THE LORD.”**

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**December 17, 2017**

Welcome and Announcements

Advent Reading

Praise & Worship – Country Praise

Offering /Offertory - Shelby

Music Ministry – Hanna & Chloe

SS Program( Young Mothers, Gr.1-2,

Kindergarten,Preschool)

Congregational Singing

SS Program (Men’s ,Gr. 7-9,Gr.3-4,Gr.4-6)

Congregational Singing

SS Program ( High School girls, High school

boys,Ladies class)

Message “Announcing the Birth of Jesus Christ”

Part 3 - Pastor Myron

Closing Song

Benediction

**ITEMS OF PRAISE AND PRAYER:**

**Missionary of the Month-** Partners International/  
Compassion Canada

**Weekly Prayer families-** Eric & Kelsey Dyck, Garth & Kaylynn  
Dyck, Herman & Frances Dyck

**Pray for** all those facing health challenges and their families,  
especially during this festive season

**THIS WEEK**

**Youth and Young Adult** – there will be no meetings until after  
New Year.



**Christmas Schedule**



**Please note that the Sunday morning services will start at  
10 a.m.**

December 24 – Morning Service @ 10 a.m. NO SUNDAY  
SCHOOL

December 24 – Christmas Eve Service @ 7 p.m.

December 31 – Morning Service @ 10 a.m. NO SUNDAY  
SCHOOL

December 31 – New Year's Eve Voluntary Program @ 7 p.m.  
Bring potluck snacks to share for afterward

**Men's Breakfast** – Jan.13 @ 8:00 a.m. Let Don Buhler know  
if you plan to attend. 204-856-3250

***'Twas The Night Before Jesus Came'***

WRITTEN BY UNKNOWN AUTHOR

'Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house  
Not a creature was praying, not one in the house.  
Their Bibles were lain on the shelf without care  
In hopes that Jesus would not come there.

The children were dressing to crawl into bed.  
Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head.  
And Mom in her rocker with baby on her lap  
Was watching the Late Show while I took a nap.

When out of the East there arose such a clatter.  
I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter.  
Away to the window I flew like a flash,  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash!

When what to my wondering eyes should appear  
But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here.  
With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray  
I knew in a moment this must be THE DAY!

The light of His face made me cover my head  
It was Jesus! returning just like He had said.  
And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth,  
I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself.

In the Book of Life which He held in His hand  
Was written the name of every saved man.  
He spoke not a word as He searched for my name;  
When He said "it's not here" my head hung in shame.

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