

ROMANS 12:6-8

EQUIPPED

to serve

Thank you to today's volunteers:

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Worship Leader - Michael Schoepe

Scripture Reader - Marie Kelly

Offering & Communion - Pam Cathcart & Rhonda Coxon

Presentation of Gifts - Ellen Dubé

Refreshments - Vicki Tobia

Altar Setting - Please sign up

Children's Ministry - Cecilia Garcia

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Snowmass Chapel
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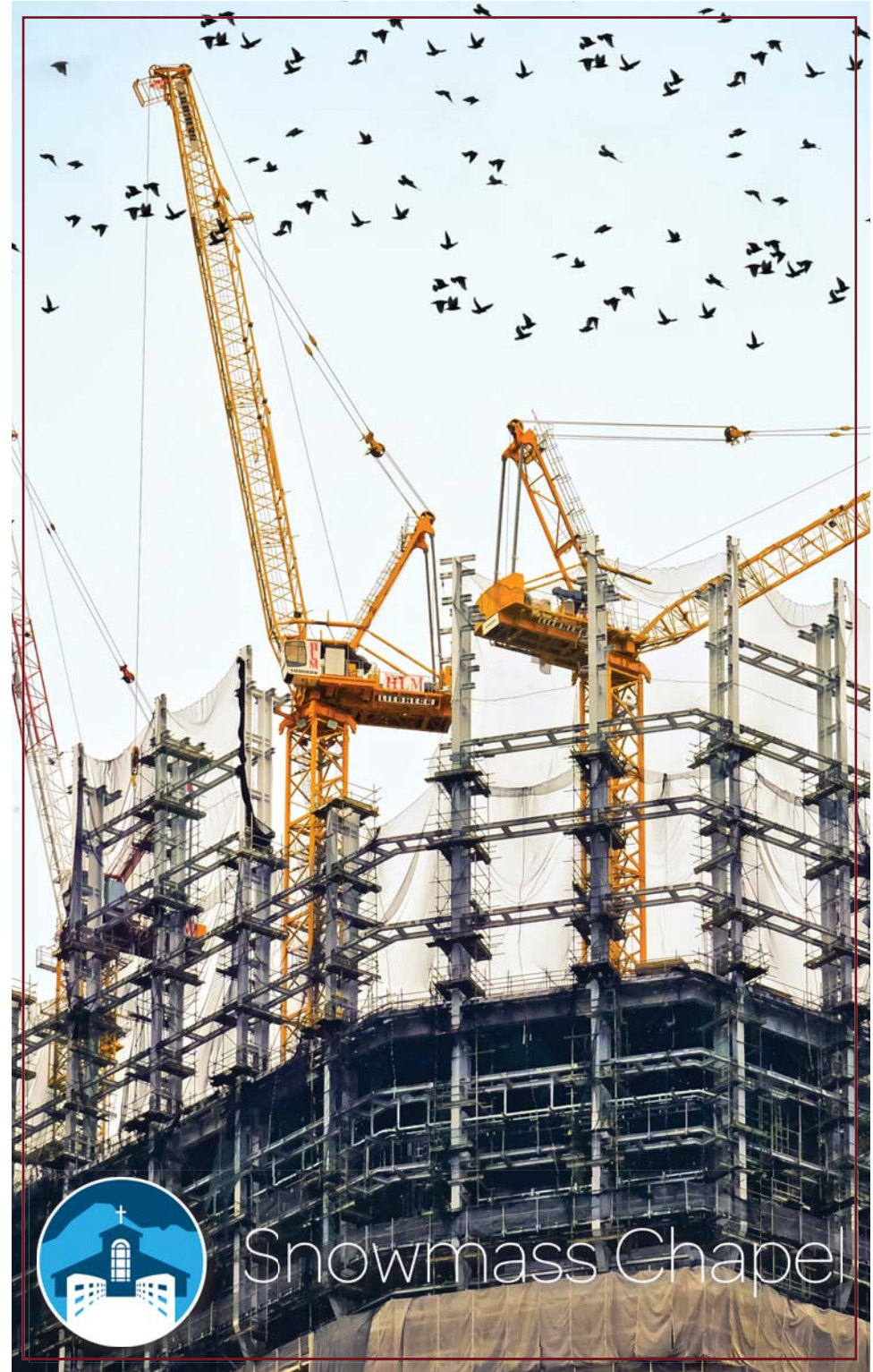
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Non-Denominational Worship Service Sundays at 9am



5 things you need to know about Snowmass Chapel

We strive to make worship compelling, diverse, relevant, life-changing and **focused on God.**

Love God.

Love People.

That's what we do.

No matter who you are, or where you are in your journey of faith, *all people are welcome* at Snowmass Chapel.

We love your kids. Kids from preK thru 5th grade are invited to Sunday School in the building next door. Parents can sign children in prior to the service. Creekside Room is available for babies & tots who need a quiet space. All kids are welcome in church any time!!

Visiting or New to the Chapel? Please fill out the form below, tear it off and drop it in the offertory basket so we can be in touch!

Thank You for Visiting!

We would love to connect with you. Please fill out the form below and drop it in the offertory basket.

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Please check the appropriate box(es):

- I would like to meet with one of the pastors
- Please add me to your weekly newsletter
- Please send me information on kids & family programs

TEAR OFF HERE AND DROP IN OFFERTORY BASKET

Today's Scripture Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil— to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence!³ When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.⁴ From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him.⁵ You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed.

⁶We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.⁷ There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.⁸ Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.⁹ Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.



NEW TOM'S DOOR CARDS

Please take a look at the beautiful new fall notecards in the entry! Tom's Door is an ecumenical ministry helping those in the valley in need of emergency financial assistance. Every card you purchase goes directly to the fund, and helps people from Parachute to Aspen. Tom's Door is celebrating 16 years of opening the door for those in need. Thank you for your support!



NEW ARTWORK IN THE CREEKSIDE ROOM

Thank you to photographer and longtime local David Melton for the display of beautiful artwork in the Creekside Room.

Prayer Corner

Victims of recent mass shootings

Victims of recent natural disasters

Men & Women of the U.S. Armed Services

The Amaya family
The Arnold Family
Catherine Ned and Jan Cochran
Joe Coffey
Levi Cook
Mardee de Wetter
Fred Dick
Greg Diehl
Linda DiLuco
Baby Duke
Elizabeth Patti Epler
Nancy Fail
Flanscha family
Flynn family
Fritz & Clarice
Emily Garcia
Green family
Liz Gustafson
Gwen and Fred
Mary Hardwick
Rosemary Keefe
Karla Kipling
Dorothy Kohák
Erazim Kohák
LaSalle family
Tina Hwang Lee
Barbara Loudon
Sheryl Merkel
John McGregor
Moss Family
Myron's family
Nathan Karlie Nelson
Bill Parady
Pausback family
Marcia Plotkin
Peter & Rosalie Popper
Baby Rachel
The Roach family
Saul, Vicki & family
Debbie Shore
Pat Smith
Karen Turner
Mary Wandling
Kris & Sam Weller
Guy Whitney
Simone Williams
Johnny Wright
Debbie Zelman

Special Music

Sarah Hummon Stevens has been singing professionally since her teenage years, starting out as a family act with her brother, Grammy-winning songwriter, Marcus Hummon. She's been a folk rocker, jazz singer, musical theater performer, choral singer, and church soloist. For the past 20 years, Sarah has also worked as a music teacher, a choral arranger/director, and a writer/director of youth theater productions. She currently co-directs the Aspen Elementary School musical theater productions.



Michael "Micha" Schoepe is the worship leader at Snowmass Chapel and provides special music along with numerous guest musicians at the Chapel. He studied Musical Theatre Performance in Leipzig, Germany. He played roles in diverse state theatre productions before touring internationally with A Cappella group, vocaldente. Micha appeared locally in theatre productions by ACT, Snowmass Chapel and Theater Masters.



CALLING ALL SINGERS!

Chapel Choir rehearsals begin soon! There is no audition required and all are welcome. Please RSVP to Paul Dankers at paul@snowmasschapel.org.

Rehearsal Schedule:

This morning, 10:30 to 12:30: Christmas Eve Choir
Wednesday, December 6, 7 to 9pm: Christmas Eve Choir
Sunday, December 10, 10:30 to 12:30: Christmas Eve Choir
Sunday, December 17, 10:30 to 12:30: Christmas Eve Choir
Tuesday, December 19, 7 to 9pm: Christmas Eve Dress Rehearsal
Saturday, December 23, 7 to 9pm Christmas Eve Dress Rehearsal
Sunday, Christmas Eve, December 24, 7 & 9pm Services



FREE DINNERS AT THE CHAPEL EVERY THURSDAY

Join us at 5PM-ish each Thursday night through ski season for free food and community. Want to volunteer? We'd love that! Contact Coulter@snowmasschapel.org.



CHRISTMAS EVE VOLUNTEERING

On Christmas Eve, we will welcome over 1,100 guests to four worship services – 9AM and 5, 7 & 9PM. There are 60+ volunteer slots waiting to be filled. Please help out as a greeter, candle-lighter or any other listed job that suits you. Sign-up sheets are in the Creekside Room. Thanks so much!!



HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS WHO MADE LIGHT UP THE NIGHT POSSIBLE THIS YEAR!

We are still seeking donations to cover costs of the added displays this year. Please talk to Kara if you can help!

Claus Donors

Town of Snowmass Village
Snowmass Village Dental
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Rudolph Donors

The Viceroy
Dean and Sherri Goodwin
Alpine Bank

Frosty Donors

The DiMento Family
Gwyn's High Alpine Ski Butlers
The Rulon Kelly Team at Douglas Elliman
Clark's Market

Elf Donors

Sunrise Carpet Cleaning



CHRISTMAS EVE SCHEDULE

Since Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year, we will have our regular Sunday service at 9am. Christmas Eve Candlelight services are as follows:
5PM: this service is typically shorter and has an emphasis on kids and families
7PM & 9PM: this service includes "Lessons & Carols" with choir and orchestra

All services will be crowded so be sure to plan ahead and carpool if possible!

Children, Youth & Families

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

Here is the verse to commit to memory for December 3:

And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger. - Luke 2:12



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT REHEARSALS

Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsals begin today and continue next Sunday. Dress rehearsal Saturday, December 16 and performance December 17th.

Order of Service

December 3rd, 2017 ~ 1st Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Peace

Call to Worship

written by Christine Sine

Lord Jesus Christ, we await your coming,
We wait filled with hope,
Knowing your light will shine in the darkness.
We wait anticipating your peace,
Believing that one day it will fill our world.
We wait embracing your love,
May we reach out to share it with our neighbours.
We wait with joy,
Bubbling within us in expectation of your birth.
Lord we wait, Come soon and fill us with your life.
Amen

Hymn of Praise

#240, *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

Blessing and Lighting the Advent Wreath

From Christian Prayers

All: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of the universe. You sent Your Son to be the light of the world and to spread His light of love to all. Bless us and accept this wreath of light made from our hands. May its ever-increasing brightness be a sign to us of the approaching nearness of Your Son, that we might prepare in joy for His humble birth in a manger and be ready to receive Him at His coming again in glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. *Amen.*

Marcus Gerbaz & John Howard: O Emmanuel, Jesus Christ, desire of every nation, Savior of all peoples, come and dwell among us.

Opening Prayer

written by Kathy Coffey (adapted)

Dear Lord, our caring God, who gave His beloved Son. Guide us through this season with quiet, glad anticipation. Help us to pay attention to the poor and hurting, and to the lonely among us. Give us a spirit of reflection, patience with each other, and hearts brimming with thanks and love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn

WS #8 & #12, *Advent Hymn (Watching Waiting Longing)*

Special Music

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
arr. Sarah Stevens

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

I've Built My Life Around You

Senior Pastor Robert de Wetter

Offertory & Presentation of the Gifts

Gabriel's Message

a Basque Christmas folk carol

Doxology

Blessing of the Bread & Wine

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Communion

We receive the Lord's Supper by intinction. A communion server will hand you a piece of bread, representing the body of Christ, which you dip in the cup, representing the blood of Christ. All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

*Gluten-Free wafers available upon request

**All of our communion wine is non-alcoholic

Closing Prayer

written by Rachel Hackenberg (adapted)

We are waiting for Love without end, without conditions, without violence, without fear.

We are waiting for justice without end, without vengeance, without hatred, without lies.

We are waiting for peace without end, without displacement, without borders, without war.

We are waiting for joy without end, without reservation, without rebuke, without want.

Lord Jesus, we are waiting for you. We love you and need you. Amen.

Closing Hymn

WS #39, *Christ, Be Our Light*

Blessing & Postlude

Our love in action now begins...