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### **WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP**

Senior Minister & Elder Dr. Thomas L. Robinson

December 19, 2021

9.30a – Youth Church, Youth Room & Zoom

Led by Jason Isbell

10.30a - Worship, Sanctuary & Online

Sermon – Kyle Swann Advent week 4 - Hope Holy Longing: Loss & Hope

Luke 1:24-45

12.00p - Fellowship, Sanctuary & Central Park



#### **SPANISH MINISTRY**

Spanish Minister & Elder Angel Reyes

Sunday 10.30a – Worship, Library Angel Reyes

Monday 7.00p – Small Group, Zoom Miguel Cañizares

Saturday 9.00a – Women's Prayer Group Elsa Cañizares

Library (alternate weeks)

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#### MINISTRY & MEETINGS

Tuesday 6.30p — Bible Study — Why These Books? Writings Inside & Outside the Bible Dr. Thomas Robinson

Wednesday 6.30p – Small Group Fellowship – Upper Eastside (1st & 3rd Wednesday) Kyle Swann

Thursday 6.30p — Scripture Meditation — Christian Mindfulness Spencer Wan

Thursday 7.30p — Evening Prayer (1st Thursday each month) Dr. Amy Bost Henegar

Thursday 8.30p – Faith, Race & Justice (alternate weeks)

Friday 7.00p — Small Group Fellowship — Harlem (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday) Julie Short

Saturday 9.00a – Women's Prayer Hour Denise Cherenfant

Saturday 10.00a – Community of Hope – Volunteers serve "Grab & Go" lunches at MCOC Carl Garrison

Saturday 4.15p – Small Group Fellowship – New Jersey (in-person 1st Saturday each month) Kyle Swann

WE SEEK TO WORSHIP AND GLORIFY GOD, TO PROCLAIM THE MESSAGE OF JESUS CHRIST, TO STUDY AND FOLLOW THE BIBLE, TO CREATE A LOVING, DIVERSE COMMUNITY, TO SERVE PEOPLE IN NEED.

Jason Isbell

### CALENDAR

ADVENT Sundays - Nov 28, Dec 5, Dec 12, Dec 19

Dec 19 Christmas Pageant, Children & Student Ministry

Dec 22 Dwell – Teens, weekly meeting with Jason Isbell (Zoom)

Dec 23 NO meeting, Christian Mindfulness, resumes 2022 Jan 6

Dec 25 Merry Christmas!

Dec 25 Community of Hope – Christmas Ministry (see Announcements)

Dec 26 MCOC Corporation meeting, required by NY State law

Dec 27-31 NO meetings (see Announcements)

2022 Jan 1 Happy New Year!

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

19 Julia B

20 James F

22 River G

23 Oto A

23 James Y

## PRAYER

† School year: Remember our families, students, teachers, and administrators as schools prepare to close for holidays

† Bethany Schneider, healing for her foot and eye

† The Barreto family's neighbor, Ralph, is newly diagnosed with late stage throat cancer

† Alva Burton is in the process of gaining guardianship of her brother Alvin and relocating him to live with their family

† Health: Denise C, Lynette D, Myriam E, Phyllis H, Pat J, Qin W, Rick T's cousin Jeanette, Spencer W's friend Matthias

† Cancer: For those in our church family amidst testing and treatment, their medical care, medical team, and healing

† Coronavirus: Ongoing recovery from the pandemic, its effect worldwide, and comfort for those grieving

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Pageant: Celebrate the good news of Jesus' birth! The Children & Student Ministry has been busy filming the Pageant and presents it during Sunday worship today. It will be available online afterwards to catch the encore

Grace-Upon-Grace: This is our annual ministry to provide Christmas presents for our Community of Hope, an outreach to people in need. Gift bags with essential items are prepared for our guests and distributed at the Christmas ministry on Dec 25. Volunteers welcome from 4.00-6.00p, cooks welcome at 2.00p

Christmas & New Year: There are no meetings Dec 27-31. Enjoy all things Christmas and ringing in the New Year

Worship through Giving: Your offerings are very important for our church family and ministries. Giving options include our website, e-banking, or mail a check to the church