

The Community of Faith at WORSHIP

Third Sunday in Advent

December 17, 2017

The Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome and Announcements

Carole Myers

Welcome of Visitors

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Call to Worship

- +*Hymn of Praise *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* #196
- *Responsive Reading *Psalms 126* #847
- *Praise Chorus *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs.3)* #211

Morning Prayer

- Praises and Concerns
- Pastoral Prayer
- The Lord's Prayer

#895

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 61:1-11

Our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #095

*Hymn of Intention *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* #240

Children's Moment Anthem

Carole Myers

Morning Scripture

John 1:6-28

Morning Message "Prepare the Road for Christ to Come" Pastor

*Hymn of Response *It Came upon the Midnight Clear* 218

***Benediction and Blessing**

Pastor

***Carrying Christ's Light into the World**

***Postlude**

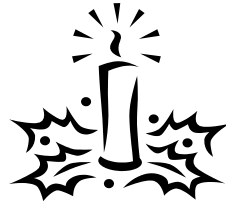
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+Those arriving late may be seated

*Please stand as you may be able

Church Announcements

Welcome! We are pleased you are here to worship. We are a church with open minds, open hearts and open doors. Please sign the attendance book at the end of the pew. If you are a visitor, please include your full address.



Everyone is invited this evening at 7 pm to attend our 41st Annual 'Love Feast', a Moravian candlelight service. Rev. Jason Roe, a conference evangelist, will be our guest speaker. Special music by Ronnie Sullivan and Friends. Hot chocolate and rolls served.

Thank-You! To the Family Life/Nurture Committee for hosting the 'Old Fashioned Christmas' Dinner last Sunday.

New District 'Names' for Holston Conference Announced

Tuckaleechee UMC and the other churches in what was District 7 is now the 'Smoky Mountain' District. Thank you to all who voted. See insert or visit Strategy.Holston.org for more details.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" Christmas Cantata Sun. Dec. 24th. Come join us at the 10:45 Service for a time of singing and worship. (There will not be an 8:30 Service.)

Our Christmas Eve Service, Communion and Candle Lighting will be held at 10 pm on Dec. 24th. Please plan to join us and bring an offering to Jesus – a gift of money to the Community benevolence fund, which helps those with emergency needs.

New Year's Eve Communion Service Everyone invited to drop-in between 6 and 8 pm.

New Monday Women's Bible Study "The Promised One – Seeing Jesus in Genesis" by Nancy Guthrie starting Jan. 8th at 6:30 pm in the upstairs Assembly Room. Contact Taffy King at 246-2365 or Mary Lynn Morgan 448-6402 to order a book.

Serving God's Church

Pastor

Rev. Richard Rudesill

Administrative Assistant

Susan Burns

Music Director

Edward Walker

Pianist

Mary Lynn Morgan

Organist

Edith Walker

Sound Technician

Doug Davis

Custodian

Barbara Miller

Worship Leader

Carole Myers

Acolyte

Ellie Hall 8:30

Emily Skidmore 10:45

Ushers

John Burns, Peter Mueller, Glenn Myers, Joe Wilson

Nursery

Bonne Collins & Sarah Hall

Counters

Lee Cole & Peter Mueller

Church Life Events

(All Activities held in upstairs Assembly Room unless noted)

- Dec. 17 Emmaus Reunion 6 pm (wkly)
- 'Love Feast' Candlelight Service 7 pm
- 18 AA Mtg. 8 pm (wkly Fellowship Hall)
- 19 Tuckaleechee Garden Club 10 am
- 20 Mayberry Study 10 am
- Choir 7 pm
- 24 'Christmas Cantata' 10:45 am (NO 8:30 Service)
- Christmas Eve Service 10 pm
- 25 Christmas Day
- 31 New Year's Eve Commuion 6-8 pm (drop in)
- Jan. 4 Temple Keepers 6 pm (wkly)
- Family Life Mtg. 6 pm (Fellowship Hall)
- Trustees Mtg. 7 pm (Fellowship Hall)
- 8 (NEW) Women's Monday Study 6:30 pm
- 14 'Charge Breakfast' (details TBA)
- 19-21 'Resurrection' Youth Event (Pigeon Forge)
- 23 Finance Mtg. 6 pm
- Administrative Council Mtg. 7 pm