

**SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Morning Worship: 10:00 am November 25, 2018

COMMITMENT SUNDAY  
**Fulfilling God's Purpose!**

*Entering into Our Worship Together*

PRELUDE  
ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT  
GREETING

Let Us Be In An Attitude of Prayer

HYMNS WE SING "I've Got That Joy, Joy, Joy Down In My Heart!" Hymnal #251

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God be merciful unto us, and bless us,

**People: And cause his face to shine upon us.**

Leader: Let us worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

**People: Let us worship him in spirit and in truth.**

Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!

**All: To you, Oh Lord, we ascribe all honor and glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! Amen!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Take My Life And Let It Be" Hymnal #399

MORNING PRAYER

**Give us, O Lord, a steadfast heart, which no unworthy thought can drag downward; an unconquered heart, which no tribulation can wear out; an upright heart, which no unworthy purpose may tempt aside. Bestow upon us also, O Lord our God, understanding to know you, diligence to seek you, wisdom to find you, and a faithfulness that may finally embrace you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

(abridged: A Prayer Of Thomas Aquinas)

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from the United Church of Canada Hymnal #883

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Giver and the Gift"

Erica Kann/ Tiffany Sherman

*Response and Offerings*

OFFERTORY

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

A LAYMEN WITNESS

Proctor Family

CHILDREN'S TIME AT THE ALTAR

(Children's Church is offered for children ages 4-11 years old)

(Our nursery is available for children from birth to 3 years old)

**Proclamation of God's Word**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Chronicles 29:10-16  
pew Bible, pg 472

\*CENTERING HYMN

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

Hymnal #396  
(stanzas 1,3)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Corinthians 8:1-3  
pew Bible, pg 244

SERMON

"Giving Joyously and Generously"

Pastor Tom Murphy

**Our Response to the Word**

A LITANY OF COMMITMENT

*see back*

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

*As the music plays softly, let us come forward and present our Commitment Offerings to the Lord of the Church.*

\*SENDING HYMN

"A Charge to Keep I Have"

Hymnal #413

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Our Acolytes lead us out as we go forth to serve.

## Prayer Concerns

*(Prayer requests must be received in the office at 540-896-3970 or office@sunsetdriveumc.com by Thursday at 10am to be included. Names stay on for **two weeks.**)*

### Our Church Family ...

Alyssa Grandle (Peggy Grandle)

### Our Extended Family ...

Evan Chesshir (Erica Kann)

### Prayer for Our Military Family.....

Will Freds: U.S Army (son in law of CW and Peggy Grandle)

Mark Hadley: U.S Navy (son of George and Janet Hadley)

David Lee: U.S Army (grandson of Jane Garrett)

Mark Long: U.S Navy (son of Dawn Long)

Chris Mullenax: U.S Army Special Forces

Tim Slutman, U.S Army (close friend of the Almquist family)



### Litany:

Leader: In you, O Lord, all things have their source.

**People:** Lord, grant us a spirit of generosity.

Leader: Help us, as your stewards, to truly understand that we are simply managers, not owners, of what you entrust to us.

**People:** Lord, grant us hearts that give joyfully and generously.

Leader: Heavenly Father, we pray that you will prevent us from being too preoccupied with ourselves and things of this world. Change us from selfish and greedy people to people who give faithfully and sacrificially.

**People:** Lord, help us to respond to your love, grace, and mercy for us with loving and giving hearts.

Leader: Help us to see money as a tool that can be used not only for our needs but to serve others. Grant us wisdom to use our resources in ways that give you glory.

**People:** Lord, grant us a spirit of generosity and help us to fulfill your purpose as we fully give ourselves and our blessings to you.

# SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Over 130 years of serving God and the Community**

*Giving Joyfully and Generously*



***Fulfilling God's Purpose!***

**"Seeking to live our faith, growing in our discipleship, and reaching out to others."**

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> , from 1pm to 3pm. We supply the yarn, needles, and lessons. New members are welcome.

**Days of Giving** for Habitat for Humanity: during Advent, Timberville is seeking help to raise money to assist families build strength and self-reliance . Pick up a "little paper house" to help with the project and return to our church to spur the project on! God bless!

Next Sunday, December 2nd, the Children' will have their Christmas Program "**The Christmas Express**" at 10am. There will be an Encore performance at 6pm followed by a small reception. Be sure to invite your family and friends.

Our **Charge Conference** will be held at Manor Memorial United Methodist as a combined Charge Conference on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm . All are welcomed.

**Bible Study Class** will be meeting Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm to continue our study of the Letter to the Romans. We will be considering the first chapter of that letter. So, come and begin with us.

**The Worship Committee** will be meeting on *Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>* at 7:30pm to plan Advent and Christmas events, All members are urged to be on hand.

**UMM Community Breakfast** on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> , from 7:30am to 9am. Meal includes- Turner ham, bacon, pancakes, sausage gravy, scrambled eggs, hot and cold drinks. Donations to be used for United Methodist Men's projects. The breakfast is opened to the community, so spread the word.

The **Transition Team** will be meeting on Sunday evening, December 9<sup>th</sup> , at 6pm to evaluate our church group meetings on Connect-Grow-Serve. All members are encouraged to be present.



**Inclement Weather and Cancellation Notice**

Should it become necessary to cancel Sunday services or other activities during the week due to winter weather conditions, a cancellation notice will be posted through the following media: WHSV TV-3, the church website and the church Facebook.

**Home for Christmas, Tales of Hope & Second Chances**, a DVD study on the Advent themes of hope, love, joy and peace, written by Rev. Justin Coleman, Senior Pastor of University UMC in Chapel Hill, NC, will be offered at Sunset Drive UMC on three Wednesday mornings, December 5<sup>th</sup> , 12<sup>th</sup> , and 19<sup>th</sup> , from 10:30 am to Noon. The study shares real life stories of struggle and triumph of formerly incarcerated or gang-affiliated men and women as they experience the light of hope and new life through the rehabilitation program of Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles. Homeboy Industries is a Christian organization that offers the love of Christ through programs of job training, anger-management and other counseling and education services.

The study will be led by Juliana (Julie) Ritchie, a ruling elder at Broadway Presbyterian Church. Juliana is completing a program through Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond for certification as a Commissioned Ruling Elder. Members and friends of Sunset Drive UMC and Broadway Presbyterian Church are invited to attend. We hope you will join us in the Fellowship Hall for good fellowship and light refreshment as we gain new and fresh understanding of the significance of Advent through scripture, story and prayer.

An optional book by the same title containing short readings and devotions is available online through Cokesbury.com at a cost of \$16.99.



The **Shenandoah Valley Choral Society**, under the direction of Curtis Nolley, will present its 49<sup>th</sup> annual Christmas concert on Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. at Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. The concert entitled "Welcome All Wonders" will feature a variety of new and traditional carol settings accompanied by brass, percussion, organ, and piano.

Tickets are available at the door, locally from Red Front Supermarket (Harrisonburg), Bridgewater Foods (Bridgewater), and on-line at [www.singshenandoah.org](http://www.singshenandoah.org). Admission is \$15 for adults/\$12 for seniors and students.

**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA TREE**

**Staff**

Pastor: Tom Murphy  
Secretary: Lisa Thacker  
Custodian: Angie Coffman  
Youth Coordinator: Lacey Roberts



**Nursery Volunteers:**

Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>: Jacque Roach and Ellie Roach  
Sunday, December 2: Matt Krantz and Sharon Krantz

**Children's Church Leaders:**

Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>: Erica Kann and Jenn Phillips  
Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>: No Children's Church

**November Usher**      **November Sound System**  
Ed Roach                      Dwayne Runion

**December Usher**      **December Sound System**  
Ronnie Dove                      Dwayne Runion



**Stewardship Report: November 18, 2018**

Church School Last Sunday	50
Worship Last Sunday	114
General Fund	\$ 2,559.09
Needed weekly to meet budget:	\$4,225.46
Restricted Funds	\$ 109.00

*Current financials are on the bulletin board for you to examine*

Poinsettia (s) given: \_\_\_\_\_ Red \_\_\_\_\_ White

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Amount given \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cost of each Poinsettia is \$10.00 (per name). Please make check payable to: SDUMC "Flower Fund" .

(Please put cash or check with the form in the "Poinsettias" envelopes located in the pews or narthex. Then place the envelope in the offering plate or turn into the church office)

Please get your order in early to insure you get the poinsettia you want.

**FIRM Deadline of *Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>*. No order will be taken after that date.**  
Thank You,