

SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Worship: 10:00 am December 9, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY in ADVENT
Entering into Our Worship Together

PRELUDE
ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT
GREETING

Let Us Be In An Attitude of Prayer

*HYMNS WE SING "Angels from the Realms of Glory" Hymnal #220
(stanzas 1,2,4)

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ shall come, God's gift to the world:

People: That the desperate should find home ---

Leader: That the persecuted should find peace ---

People: That the lonely should find love ---

Leader: That the dejected should find joy.

All: O Christ of the world, your time is now! We wait, we watch, we wonder! Come!

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" Hymnal #213

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Barry and Sophie Davis
Congregational Response, singing:

**O, Come, thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and nigh,
to us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

MORNING PRAYER

O God of our history, we gather today in continued anticipation of celebrating that moment when you split history through a mother's pain, a father's obedience, and a baby's first cry. Prepare our hearts to welcome you into our lives as you welcome us with your mercy and grace. Teach us to live faithfully as you are ever faithful to us. Amen.

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 1 Timothy 2:5-6;1:15;3:16 Hymnal #889

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

CHILDREN'S TIME AT THE ALTAR Bev Thompson
(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 Isaiah 11:1-16
pew Bible, pg 755

*CENTERING HYMN "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" Hymnal #216

SERMON "From the Stump of David" Pastor Tom Murphy

Sending Forth

*SENDING HYMN "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" Hymnal #21
(stanzas 1,4)

*BENEDICTION

Leader: "Prepare the Way of the Lord" as you go forth into the world!

People: We have heard God's Word to wait upon the Lord with anticipation.

Leader: But in your waiting prepare your hearts and minds to receive Him.

People: This will be our aim until His coming is fulfilled upon the earth. Amen.

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 ...

Penny Lohr (Lisa Thacker)

Our Extended Family ...

Orville and Bonnie Collins (Lisa Thacker)

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)



Staff

Pastor: Tom Murphy

Secretary: Lisa Thacker

Custodian: Angie Coffman

Youth Coordinator: Lacey Roberts

Pianist: Julia Rivera



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.

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Over 130 years of serving God and the Community



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

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, December 11th, from 1pm to 3pm. We supply the yarn, needles, and lessons. New members are welcome.

Sunset Drive Ladies will gather together on Tuesday, December 11th at 6pm in the fellowship hall to share Christmas joy with each other. What to bring: several items for the food bank, Christmas cheer, a smile, and more Christmas cheer. There will be an optional Gift exchange. For those that want to participate bring a wrapped gift valued at about \$10. The Ladies Ministry will provide finger foods: finger sandwiches, veggie tray, chip, dip, and desserts. However, if you have a Christmas favorite you'd like to bring will not turn it down.

The **Ladies Luncheon** will have their traditional Christmas luncheon at Traditions on Wednesday, December 12th at 11:30am. Our reservation is for 11:30am. We will meet at the church at 11:10am and carpool from there. This is Dutch treat. Please let Donna Belle Dove or Janet Wager know if you plan to attend.

Bible Study Class will be meeting Wednesday, December 12th, at 6:30pm to continue our study of the Letter to the Romans.

The **Transition Team** will be meeting on Sunday December 16th, at 6pm to evaluate our church group meetings on Connect-Grow-Serve. All members are encouraged to be present.

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!

The **Shenandoah Valley Choral Society**, under the direction of Curtis Nolley, will present its 49th annual Christmas concert on Friday, December 14th at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, December 16th 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. Admission is \$15 for adults/\$12 for seniors and students.

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 12th, and 19th, 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 children's church room 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.



Nursery Volunteers:

Sunday, December 9th: Sandy Cupp and Volunteer

Sunday, December 16th: Joanna Thompson and Volunteer

Children's Church Leaders:

Sunday, December 9th: Judy Rhodes and Amy Hoover

Sunday, December 16th: Erica Kann and Jenn Phillips

December Usher

Ronnie Dove

December Sound System

Dwayne Runion



Stewardship Report: December 2, 2018

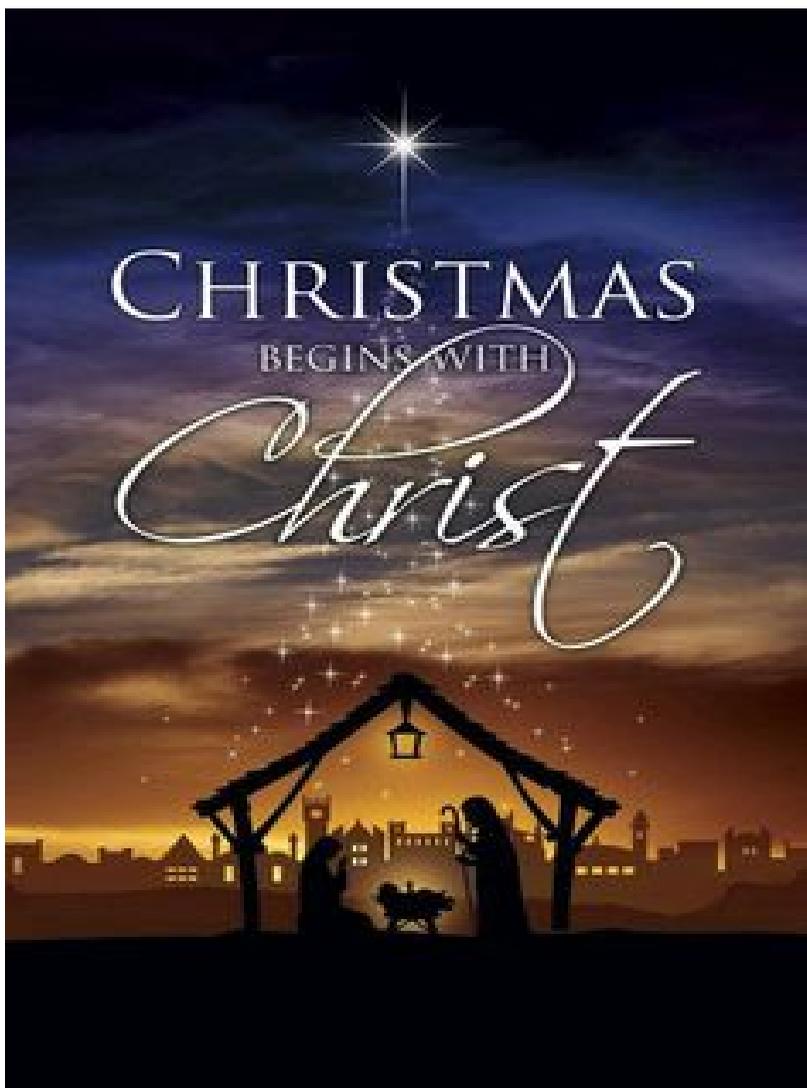
Worship Last Sunday 151

General Fund \$ 7,263.84

Needed weekly to meet budget: \$4,225.46

Restricted Funds \$ 110.00

Current financials are on the bulletin board for you to examine



*"Let us praise the Lord, the God of Israel! He has come to the help of his people and has set them free. He has provided for us a Savior a descendant of his servant David. He will cause the bright dawn of salvation to rise to on us and to shine from heaven on all those who live in the dark shadow of death, to guide our steps into the path of Peace."
(Luke 1:68-69; 78-79)*

"Our Journey to Bethlehem"

Sunset Drive UMC 2018 Advent Series

Sunday, December 2nd, 10am
"The Christmas Express"
The Children's Musical

Sunday, December 9th, 10am
"From the Stump of David"
Isaiah 11:1-16 (Sermon)

Sunday, December 16th, 10am
"On the Road Again?"
Luke 21:5-38 (Sermon)

Sunday, December 23rd, 10am
"A Christmas Musical"
"Why Bethlehem?"
Hebrews 10:5-10 (Meditation)

Monday, December 24th, 7pm
Communion and Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 30th, 10am
"John Wesley Covenant Service"
"What's In Our Future?"

Sunday, January 7th, 10am
(Epiphany Sunday)
"Anticipate the Dawning!"
Matthew 17:1-9