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We are a community of faith, who welcomes ALL people. We believe that the love of Jesus <u>was</u>, and <u>is</u>, radically inclusive. We desire for you to find this sanctuary and church to be a safe place, full of love and grace.

Thank you for filling out the enclosed Connection Card and placing it in the offering plate during offering time.

December 11, 2022 - Third Sunday in Advent

(*Those who are able, please stand.) (Bold face type – parts we all speak or sing.)

GATHERING & CENTERING TIME

OPENING MUSIC

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

J. Raney

The Wesley Bell Ringers, Dir. Katie Lay

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

*SONG "People Look East"

UMH #202

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

We come to worship this Advent in search of joy!

Joy that will overturn hearts and overflow from our very being.

Joy, hope and peace – come to us in the form of a child,

A child we wait patiently for this season.

Lord, show us your joy that we may praise you in our sorrow,

So we may praise you in *our* joy.

This is the day the Lord has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

MUSIC MINISTRY

"Candlelight Carol"

J. Rutter

Chancel Choir, Dir. Logan Bingham

CHILDREN'S TIME

SONG "Where Children Belong"

TFWS #2233

MYSTERY BOX

(Children & adults are welcome to come forward. Children are always welcome to remain for all of worship. And, childcare for children 2 years and younger is available in the Nursery.)

PRAYER TIME

SONG "Come, O Redeemer, Come"

W&S #3046

ADVENT PRAYER

God of Joy, may we see your light flickering in the darkness of our world; may we recognize the ways you are calling us to love in the midst of hatred and hardened hearts. As we continue our Advent season, forgive us when we seek ways to stay bogged down and wallow in our misery and grief, when instead we should be seeking your joy. Allow us to be people of joy. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

OFFERING TIME

OFFERING OPTIONS

MUSIC

QR Code to Give: Use the QR code. <u>Text to Give:</u> Text a dollar amount to 801-317-8833 and follow the prompts. Thank you!

A. Sherman

The Wesley Bell Ringers, Dir. Katie Lay

*RESPONSE SONG "Advent Doxology" On Screen

"Masters in the Hall"

RECEIVING TIME

GOSPEL READING Luke 1:5-2:20 excerpts

SERMON "The Cast of Characters" Rev. Lisa Petty

*SONG "What Child Is This" UMC #219, vv 1-2

SENDING TIME

WAYS TO ENGAGE THIS WEEK

*SENDING SONG "God Almighty, We Are Waiting" W&S #3047, v 3

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC "Ukrainian Carol" G. Near

Christ UMC - TODAY's Events

8:00 am - Chapel Worship Service, Chapel

8:30 am - Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

9:00 am - Adult Sunday School, Chapel

9:30 am - Fellowship/Coffee Time, Gym

10:00 am - Worship in the Sanctuary

Children's Sunday School, (children will start in worship)

11:00 am - Fellowship/Coffee Time & Blood Pressure Check, Hallway & Gym

11:30 am - Chimes & Asbury Rehearsal, Music Room

Christ UMC Events This Week: Dec 12 – Dec 18

Monday: 1:30 pm Witty Knitters, Parlor

7:00 pm Sloe Jam, Music Room *Newcomers welcome

Tuesday: 7:00 pm Finance Committee, Zoom

7:30 pm Wesley Bell Ringers Rehearsal, Music Room

Wednesday: 10:00 am Wednesday Morning Study Group, Parlor

4:15 pm Carpool Meets to Carol at Highland Cove 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

Thursday: 11:00 am Deborah Circle, Parlor

7:00 pm Quiet Christmas Service, Sanctuary 7:30 pm apPRAISEation Rehearsal, Music Room

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Advent

8:00 am Chapel Service

8:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

9:00 am Adult Sunday School, Chapel 9:30 am Fellowship/Coffee Time, Gym

10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary & Children's Sunday School

11:00 am Fellowship/Coffee Time, Hallway and Gym 11:30 am Chimes & Asbury Rehearsal, Music Room

4:00 pm & 7:30 pm Wesley Bell Ringers Home Concert, Sanctuary

THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastor Rev. Lisa Petty

Children's Ministry Alicia Griffing & Alicia Simons

Organist Shelby Fisher

Media Barrett Carpenter & Shannon Meyer

Liturgist Jay Vestal