### **THIS WEEK AT BUMC!**

Sunday, Dec. 1: Worship Services & Communion Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)

Women's Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 1) Men's Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Kids Praise 4:30 PM (Music Suite)

Middle & High School Youth Fellowship 5:30 PM (Music Suite)

Monday, Dec. 2: Prayer Meeting 9:00 AM (Zoom)

Advent Bible Study 4:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2) Trustees Meeting 4:30 PM (Music Suite) SPPRC Meeting 6:30 PM (Conf. Rm. 1)

Tuesday, Dec. 3: Disciple I Class 10:00 AM (Christian Ed. Office)

BUMC Staff Meeting 11:00 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Disciple IV Class 4:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Wednesday, Dec. 4: Disciple III Class 11:30 AM (Conf. Rm. 1)

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 PM (Sanctuary)

Thursday, Dec. 5: Busy Bees, 9:00 AM

Stephen Ministry Training 2:30 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Stephen Ministry 4:30 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Friday, Dec. 6: Disciple II Class 10:00 AM (Music Suite)

Sunday, Dec. 8: Worship Services Cantata 8:30 & 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)

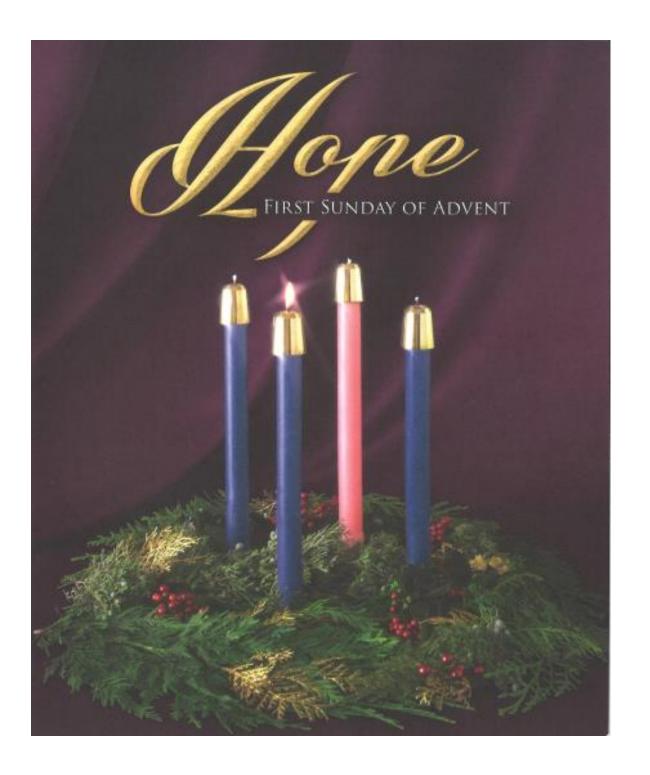
Second Sunday Fellowship after each service (Fellowship Hall)

Women's Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 1) Men's Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Kids Praise & Youth Fellowship Movie Night (time TBD)

### PRAYER CONCERNS. Please call the church office (843) 757-3351 to add or remove names.

Rebecca Adler & Family Richard Falon Michael Patterson Daniel Alba Donna & Kari Fiero Megan Phelphs Mark Anderson Warren Graves April Pinderski **Rocky Austin** Jackson Griebel & Family Evelyn Reddish Bill Baker Tori Rinehart Jane Grim Lois Barton David Harper Connie Roberts Meredith Inglis Rita Bobko Joanne Rymer **Bonnie Borgelt** Vera Jones Drinda Sipprell Barbara Klekner Linda Allen Smith Bob & Jennie Brennan Paul Laughlin Susie Starkey Jason Brown Sally LeSage Paul Bucklin Samuel Stevens Nick Maxim Lynn Cleveland Jane Thewes & Family Pat Cleveland Judy McDonald Julee Thomas Heidi Clevenger Doug McGill Jeanne VanBuskirk Marilyn Moore Philip Court Steve VanHorn Barbara O'Connor **Greg & Pat Crews** Judy Walden Michelle O'Connor David De Paolis Joe Walter Mackenzie Orth Elizabeth & Larry Duncan Rick Wortman



# Sunday, December 1, 2024 – purple

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE & ACOLYTE In the Bleak Mid-Winter arr. Lynn Arthur Koch

Beth Corry, organist

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Hervochon Family (8:30 AM) Chandler Family (11:00 AM)

In this season of Advent, we acknowledge that all is not well with us, that there is good news and bad news. Life is not perfect. Yet, across the centuries, we hear the prophet Jeremiah, who revealed God's promise, saying: "But I will restore you to health and heal your wounds,' declares the LORD," (Jeremiah 30:17)

God calls us to show one another mercy, to extend forgiveness and to love one another as he has loved us.

He sent a Savior into the world for us. God moves us from darkness to light.

God's love offers second chances and restores our hope.

### INVOCATION

You meet us where we are, dear God, and you kindle hope within our hearts, so that we move from darkness to light, from despair to trust. May our worship proclaim our glorious hope! In the name of the Hope of All People, Jesus the Christ, we pray, Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN O Come, O Come, Emmanuel UMH No. 211

Verses 1, 2, 3 & 7

\*ADVENT PSALTER READING Psalm 25 UMH 756

Response 1

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY Go Tell It on the Mountain arr. Patsy Ford Simms

Soloists: Joanne Davies & Nancy Osgood

\*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMN No. 95

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Keeley DiMartino

SPECIAL MUSIC Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning arr. Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir (11:00 AM only)

SCRIPTURE Matthew 1:18-25
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Amanda Wehner (8:30 AM) Sara Jenkins (11:00 AM)

SERMON Pastor Scarlett Hester

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LORD'S PRAYER (spoken)

**UMH No. 895** 

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.

\*CLOSING HYMN Infant Holy, Infant Lowly UMH No. 229

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Tell Out My Soul arr. Paul Manz

Beth Corry, organist

\*Please stand if able.



The altar flowers are given by the Glory of God



12/02 – Karen Mandalas 12/04 – Sam & Jennifer Hodges

12/05 - Danny & Nina Jett

12/02 – Debbie Nelson

12/03 – Mark Flugel

12/05 – Jim Babb 12/06 – Leon Atkinson Jr.

12/06 - Hank Shaw

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