

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Please see newsletter for more details.)

Today:

3rd Sunday of Advent
 Urban Ministries Sunday
 10:30 a.m. Christmas Cantata (no Worship & Wonder)
 Children's nativity practice immediately after worship

Wednesday, December 19:

9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters
 11:00 a.m. W.W.A.
 5:15 p.m. W.O.W. meal
 6:00 p.m. Programs for all ages
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, December 22:

Room in the Inn

Sunday, December 23:

4th Sunday of Advent
 10:30 a.m. Children's Nativity (no Worship and Wonder)
 Session does not meet

Monday, December 24:

Christmas Eve
 Office closed
 5:00 p.m. Christmas Communion and Worship Service
 (not come and go)

Tuesday, December 25:

Christmas Day
 Office closed

Thank you for your generous giving to the Poinsettia offering. We raised \$1,280.00 for Loaves and Fishes.

The flowers on the altar today are in honor of Janet Richmond's birthday given by Mary Claire White.



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY
 If the roads are icy, the Sunday schedule will remain the same. Please use your discretion. On Wednesdays, if schools are closed due to bad weather, we will not have W.O.W. or Choir Practice (unless otherwise notified).

VOLUNTEERS FOR TODAY

Liturgist:
 Andy Kettle

Ushers:
 Scott Celusta- Lead Usher
 Teresa Celusta, Ray Roby
 Clark and Gina Wilbur

Acolyte(s):
 Abby Koyama, Luke Stovall

Children's Message:
 No Children's Message Today

December 9, 2018 Report	
Sunday School	117
Worship (ice)	150
Offering	\$11,144.00
Needed Weekly	\$7,470.00

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor.....Rev. Dr. Steve Louder
 Pastor Emeritus.....Rev. E.G. Sims
 Music/Senior Adult Minister.....Rev. Paula Louder
 Pianist.....Ethebet Gibson
 Organist.....Dr. Susan Jones
 Assoc. Pastor- Youth/Young Adults/Children
Rev. Taylor Young
 Office Administrator.....Jessica Morgan
 Session Clerk.....Ashley Kettle
 Preschool Director.....Alicia Coakley
 Child Care Staff.....Kimberly Forsythe
 Katrina Evans

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Sunday: Fellowship - 9:00 A.M. ~ Sunday School - 9:30 A.M. ~ Worship - 10:30 A.M.



Service for the Lord's Day

Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

10:30 A.M.

Stepping into God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

(As the prelude is played, please begin to prepare your hearts in silent prayer for worship.)

Prelude

The Light of Christ Enters

Honoring God in Song and Prayer

Call to Worship

L; Sing praises to God on high, for glorious are God's works.

P: Sing praises to the ends of the earth.

L: Shout and sing for joy, O people of God,

P: for great is the Holy One in our midst, blessed is the One who comes to dwell among us.

Opening Prayer

Lighting of the Second Advent Candle – the Candle of Joy

Watch and wait for Christ's coming! Light candles of hope, peace, joy and love, remembering the promises of God with prayer.

We light this candle in hope.

We light this candle for peace.

We light this candle in joy!

Scripture

Zephaniah 3

Advent Prayer

Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid, for the LORD is my strength and my might;

God has become my salvation.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice!

Sing praises to the LORD, for God has done gloriously!

Registration of Attendance

Hymn of Praise

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Call to Confession

The best way to prepare for the arrival of Jesus is to make his paths straight. We need to do the inner work that is necessary to change our hearts, confess our sins, seek God's forgiveness, and become the very vessels that can receive the message of hope and love that God wishes to reveal to us in Jesus. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession

Father in heaven, our joy and thanksgiving have been quite shallow at times. We have thanked you for selfish things we wanted; but the more important expressions of your love have not produced the joy that ought to be in our hearts. Forgive us for our material obsessions that have made it difficult for us to be at peace in our hearts. Unite us with Christ Jesus, that joy may flow from our hearts daily because of our new life. In his name we pray. AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon

May the Father forgive us by the death of his Son and strengthen us to live in the power of the Spirit all our days.

Hallelujah! Amen!

Liturgist

Susan Jones

Acolytes

Responsively

Liturgist

Charlotte and Luke Stovall

Responsively

Ushers

No. 20

Liturgist

In Unison

Liturgist

Giving Thanks to God

Offertory Sentence

"For God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work." —2 Corinthians 9: 7b-8

Offertory

Offertory Response

"Doxology"

Prayer for the Offering

Call to Prayer

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Prayers of the People

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Message in Scripture and Song

PEACE HAS COME

A musical for Christmas created by Dennis and Nan Allen

"Peace Has Come with O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Narration 1

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" with *"You Have Come"*

Narration 2

"Breath of Heaven"

Narration 3

"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"

Narration 4

"Heavenly Peace Carol Medley"

Narration 5

"Wonderful Peace"

Narration 6

"What a Beautiful Name"

"Peace Has Come" with *"O Come, All Ye Faithful"*

Finale

Benediction

Extinguishing of the Candles

Postlude

Taking Forth the Light

Recessional

Prayer Concerns are listed on the back of the insert.

Liturgist

Ethebet Gibson

No. 809

Rev. Steve Louder

No. 133 (verses 1 & 2)

Rev. Steve Louder

In Unison

Choir

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See Insert

Cheryl Routzahn, Soloist with Choir

Cresta McGowan, Soloist with Choir

Susan Jones