

Service Of Worship

First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE

Musical Prelude/Lighting of Candles

Welcome and Announcements

*Song of Praise *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus* Well Worship

*Time of Greeting/Striking of the Hour

*Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His steadfast love endures forever!

People: Let us thank the LORD for His steadfast love, for His wondrous works to His children.

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Children's Story Time

WORSHIP THROUGH MEDIATION

Advent Reading Week One: Preparation

LEADER: In this first week of Advent, our goal is to set our minds on what is coming. Remembering and considering prophecies about Christ's second coming is about preparing our minds and our thinking—about setting our minds on what is above. We read in Jeremiah 33:14-16, "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'"

CONGREGATION: How does this relate to our advent preparation?

LEADER: The Lord has promised to do something, and he has promised to do it in the future. This Scripture from Jeremiah may apply to both Christ's first advent (his birth in Bethlehem) and his second advent (his coming return). We are reminded that Christ's first coming was prophesied, and it happened. His second coming will surely happen too. We must prepare and be ready.

The Lighting of The First Advent Candle

*Hymn of Preparation *Angels We Have Heard on High* #100

WORSHIP THROUGH STEWARDSHIP

WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION

Morning Prayer

Special Music

Children depart for Children's Worship Time

Sermon

Acts: 15: 36-41

Choir

Rev. Glen Hallead

WORSHIP THROUGH DEDICATION

*Song of Invitation *O Come All Ye Faithful* Well Worship

Benediction

Choral Response

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Time of Fellowship and Friendly Greeting

*All who are able please stand

Sunday: 10:00 Sunday School

10:55 **Worship Service**

1:30 **Choir practice**

3:00 **Youth**

Monday: 7:00 Cub Scouts

Tuesday: 10:00 Learn and Lunch

Wednesday 6:30 Bible Study movie night

7:00 **Boy Scouts**

Thursday: 6:00 Choir practice

Saturday: 11:30 Widows, Widowers, and Seniors Luncheon

The entire church is welcome to come and see the movie "Unsung Hero" Wednesday, December 4 at 6:30 in the Youth Center. For your comfort you may want to bring a comfortable chair and your own drink. If you would like to bring a snack to share that would be appreciated.

If you would like to give a **poinsettia** in honor or in memory of someone, please let Mary Griffin know by **Sunday, December 8**. There are forms in the Narthex. They will be placed in the Sanctuary on December 15 and 22..

Beginning today, the Deacons will again offer the **Christmas Card Exchange** program for Shallow Well folks. Just bring your cards **addressed to other Shallow Well attendees**, and place them in the box in the Narthex. Then check the box each week to pick up cards addressed to you. There will be a jar for donations of postage that you saved, and the proceeds will go to the Deacon's Fund to help those in need. This is a good way to wish your Church Family a very Merry Christmas.



On Saturday, December 7, 2024, from 11:30-1:30, we will have a **luncheon for Widows, Widowers, and Senior Singles** in the Fellowship Hall. Family members, friends, and caretakers are welcome. There will be a devotion and music, and lunch will be catered by Mrs. Lacy's. Please RVSP by December 1st to Michael Tannenbaum at 910-580-0403 or Faith Tannenbaum at 678-592-3218. Also, please inform them if you require transportation. Hope to see you there!

We will have **Carols, Candlelight, and Communion** on Sunday, December 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Following the service, everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments. Please bring a holiday food item to share. Jolly St. Nicholas will also be on hand for the children in attendance. You want to attend this wonderful time of worship and fellowship, so plan to invite your family and friends

Deacon: Phil McKinney Next Sunday: David Jordan Greeters: Jerry & Vera Batchelor, Wendy McNeill, and Lora Currin Next Week: Lily Currin, Vivian Cox, Sandra Cotten, and JoAnn Herring,

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