Service Of Worship

| Second Sunday of Advent | | December 15, 2024 |
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| Music Prelude/Lighting of Ca | andles | |
| Welcome and Announcement | ts | |
| *Hymn of Preparation | Hark! The Herald Angels Sing | #88 |
| *Time of Greeting/Striking o | f the Hour | |
| *Call to Worship | | |
| · · · | s are coming, declares the Lord, when I w rael and the house of Judah. | ill fulfill the promise I |
| 1 V | and at that time I will cause a righteous | |
| for David, and he sha | ll execute justice and righteousness in th | ne land. |
| *Invocation and Lord's Praye | r | |
| Children's Story Time | | |
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| WORSHIP THROUGH M | EDIATION | |

Advent Reading Week Three: Joy

The John Haas Family

Leader: Preparation and anticipation have focused our thoughts and actions on the arrival of Christ. As this arrival draws closer, a natural consequence is joy. When the thing we have been waiting for gets closer and closer, joy increases. Joy is a natural part of anticipating Christ's return as we consider what he has accomplished for us and what he will accomplish for us. Our Savior lives! Our King is returning! And he will take us home.

CONGREGATION: How does this relate to joy during the Advent season?

Leader: At the coming of the King of Israel, those who call him King have no reason to fear evil. He is in their midst and will protect and preserve them. He has "annulled the judgments" against them. These are reasons for joy—reminding us that our Lord will return, he has already cleansed us from our sin, and he will take us home. We will never again fear evil.

The Lighting of The Third Advent Candle

WORSHIP THROUGH STEWARDSHIP

WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION Morning Prayer

Children depart for the Children's Worship Time

Cantata (See Insert)

WORSHIP THROUGH DEDICATON

*Hymn of Dedication Go Tell It on the Mountain Invitation Prayer
*Benediction
Choral Response
Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings
*Time of Fellowship and Friendly Greeting
*All who are able please stand

Welcome! We welcome all those who worship with us today. If you are a guest, we want to give you a special welcome. If you are looking for a church home, we would count it an honor to have you make it here. A staffed **Nursery** is available for small children through the doors at the front right side of the sanctuary. We have a Children's Worship Time during the "Sermon" time. Children ages 3 yrs. old through 5th grade leave following the Offertory.

Sunday: 10:00 Sunday School.

10:55 Worship Service 4:00 Women of the Well meet at the home of Mary Griffin. Please bring a snack to share. Monday: 7:00 Cub Scouts Tuesday: 6:00 Deacons meeting at the home of Mary Griffin Wednesday: 7:00 Boy Scouts Next Sunday: 6:00 Candlelight Service

We will receive our **annual Christmas Offering** next Sunday during the Worship Service. This is our opportunity to give a gift to God for the service of His Kingdom.

All 2024 committee chairpersons need to call a meeting of the 2024 committee to elect a chairperson. Please give the new chairperson's name to Mary Griffin.

The **Christmas Card Exchange** box is in the Narthex. If you have Christmas cards <u>for those who</u> <u>attend church here</u>, you may leave them in the box for them to pick up. If you would like to donate for the cost of postage you save, the money will go to the Deacon Fund to help those in need.

There is a **list of at home members** of the church on the table in the Narthex. If interested pick up a copy and let them know you are thinking about them by sending a card, phone call, or any other way of showing God's love during the Christmas season.

Please check our Angel Tree in the Narthex and pick up a Gift Wish from one of the Angels. Gifts should be wrapped and name tags taped to the package. Gifts are due back to the church no later than Worship Service on Sunday, December 22. You may place your gift under the Angel Tree. If you have any questions about the gift process, please call Kat Jordan, 919-708-2795.

The College Students' cards and mementos will be bagged during the middle of each month. Please remember to drop a card, gift card, or memento in the college students' baskets and keep them at the top of your prayer list!

There will be a **Red Cross Blood Drive** at Juniper Springs Baptist Church on Saturday December 21st from 9:00-2:00.

Memorial have been received to the Memorial Fund in memory of **Earl Murphy** by Carolyn Williamson and in memory of **Mabel Thomas Lloyd** by Myrna Brown and Beverly Brown Haithcox.

Deacon on Call: Dawn Morris Next Week: Judy Watson Greeters: Layton Griffin, Patsy Thomas, Lauren Godfrey, Faith Tannenbaum. Next week: Audra McKenzie, Pam Gunter, Alex, and Anna McKenzie.

Joy

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