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John & Josh Reilly

Advent Readers/Candle lighters

David & Barbara May

Greeters

Carolyn Daniels & Beth Weldy

AV Technician & Sound Engineering

Kevin Ammerman & Meredith Baker

Presentation Team

Jack Reilly, Bart Crowe, Claire Farmer

Ushers

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*The flowers placed in the sanctuary are to
Honor and Glorify the Lord!*

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Welcome to Bethany!



If you are visiting for the first time, we are delighted you are here. To show our appreciation for your presence, we have a gift for you! Please see a greeter at the front entry of the church (Narthex) for your gift. We are blessed by your presence. Bethany is pleased to offer childcare for members and friends. This service is available at both services for children up to five years old. Please see an usher if you wish to take advantage of this ministry.

Traditional Worship—December 10, 2017

Welcome & Opportunities to Connect

Rev. Pam McCurdy

PLEASE COMPLETE THE COMMUNICATIONS CARD AND DROP IT IN OFFERING PLATE.

Greeting Your Neighbors

Rev. Pam McCurdy

Prelude

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

Call to Worship

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

#204

Advent Reading & Candle Lighting

David & Barbara May

***Opening Hymn**

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

#203

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

#881

***Gloria Patri**

#71

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Chip Wilson

Lord's Prayer

Children's Sermon

Mary Jane Higman

Hymn

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

#216

Reception of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Pam McCurdy

Offertory

Little Drummer Boy

***Doxology**

#95

Anthem

Here I Am, Lord

Scripture Reading

Matthew 3: 1-12

Rev. Chip Wilson

Sermon

"Repent, Share, Serve"

Rev. Chip Wilson

Closing Hymn

O Little Town of Bethlehem

#230

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

*Go forth for God, to the world in peace
Be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace,
In God's good Spirit daily to increase,
Till in the kingdom we see face to face.*

#670

Postlude

Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

*Congregation, please stand as able



WooHoo! All of the angels have been taken! Thank you all so much for sharing your resources with others. Please wrap your gifts, **preferably in a box** and place the colored tag on the gift when you return it. **Deadline to return gifts is Sunday, December 17.** Please contact Susan Sprayberry if you have any questions or concerns.

Advent Talents - Did you notice the beautiful "Hope" display on the altar in Lacy Hall on Sunday, December 3, 2017? It was the result of the creative talent of Donna Carter. Throughout the Advent Season, the altar in Lacy Hall will be decorated to help draw our attention to each Sunday's Advent theme. Sharon Rice will create the display for December 10th. Lisa Ammerman will create the display on December 17th. The Art Committee wants to express our appreciation to these ladies for sharing their creativity with us. "Thank you" to Catherine Simpson for coordinating the altar display designers.



Loaves & Fishes - The sign-up sheet to feed the residents at Elizabeth Inn has been posted on the Missions Board located on the adult Sunday School hallway. Meals are provided the 22nd of each month. The remaining months are: March, July, September, November & December.

Grace Ladies - Grace Ladies are taking the month of December off and will not meet next week. Look for news on the meeting in January!



We collected 24 pints of blood at our blood drive this past Monday! Thank you for giving the gift of life.

Happy Birthday!

December 13 - Peggy Hicks
 December 14 - Autumn Kuykendoll
 December 16 - Christen Klein
 December 17 - Larry Samples, Catherine Simpson,
 Elissa Harris



The Stephen Ministry of Bethany
 Invites you to join us for
THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE
 December 17 at 4pm

Come out and join with us in sharing and hearing prayers, scripture, and music that acknowledge that God's presence is for those who mourn, for those who struggle and that God's Word comes to shine light into our darkness. Everyone is welcome. The short service will be followed by a brief time for light refreshments and fellowship.



December 17 - Contemporary Worship @9am - Lacy Hall
 Christmas Cantata @11am - Sanctuary
 Acolyte Luncheon @ Noon- Lacy Hall
 Longest Night Worship Service @4pm - Sanctuary

December 22 - Musical Concert by the MLK High School Chorus
 Dr. Changa Miller, Director
 7pm - Lacy Hall

December 24 - *One Worship Service @11am - Sanctuary*
 Family Christmas Eve Worship @5pm - Lacy Hall
 Candlelight/Communion Christmas Eve Service @7pm - Sanctuary

December 26 - Church Office Closed

December 31 - *One Worship Service @11am - Sanctuary*