

## Servant Leaders

### **Acolytes**

John & Josh Reilly

### **Greeters**

Debra Nix & Beth Weldy

### **AV Technician & Sound Engineering**

Meredith Baker & Kevin Ammerman

### **Presentation Team**

Catherine Simpson, Claire Farmer, Christine Adhikari

### **Ushers**

Sandra Crowe, Brenda Danas, Diane Robert,  
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*The flowers placed at the cross in the sanctuary are  
in memory of David Bohannon from The Reilly Family.*

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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 9, 2018*

#### **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**

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

#### **Call to Worship**

#### **Advent Reading & Candle lighting**

The Reilly Family

#### **Opening Hymn**

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

#203

#### **\*Affirmation of Faith**

*Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version*

#881

#### **\*Gloria Patri**

#71

#### **Morning Prayer**

Rev. Chip Wilson

#### **Lord's Prayer**

#### **Children's Moment**

Rev. Pam McCurdy

#### **Hymn**

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

#216

#### **Reception of God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

#### **Offertory Prayer**

Rev. Pam McCurdy

#### **Offertory**

#### **\*Doxology**

#95

#### **Anthem**

#### **Scripture Reading**

*Luke 3: 1-20*

Rev. Chip Wilson

#### **Sermon**

*"Preparing for Christmas"*

Rev. Chip Wilson

#### **Closing Hymn**

*It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

#218

#### **\*Benediction**

Rev. Chip Wilson

#### **\*Benediction Response**

*Go Forth for God*

#670

#### **Postlude**

*Emmanuel*

*\*Congregation, please stand as able*



**Christmas Angel Tree** - If you pulled an angel from the pink tree OR an angle from the green tree for Hickory Hills - your gifts are due TODAY! Please place your UNWRAPPED gift under the trees along with the "colored" angel tag that you took to make your purchase.

If you pulled an angel from the green tree (not Hickory Hills) you have one more week to bring your gifts. However, if you have already made your purchases, you can bring the gifts as soon as you can.



21 pints were collected during our winter Blood Drive this past Monday. Thank you so much for your donations. Lives will be saved because of you. Thank you Bethany and community friends.

### December Services

**December 16** - Christmas Cantata @11am - Sanctuary

Longest Night Service @4pm - Sanctuary

**December 24** - Children/Youth Christmas Eve @ 5pm - Lacy Hall

Candlelight Christmas Eve @ 7pm - Sanctuary

**December 30** - ONE Worship Service @11am - Sanctuary

**LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE** - The holiday season is not always a happy time. If you are grieving and missing a loved one, join us in this service of healing and hope on Sunday, December 16 at 4pm in the sanctuary.

**LET'S PLAN** - The last Messenger for the year will be published the week of December 17 & we will be working on worship bulletins for the last three Sundays in the year early. Why do you need to know this...well glad you asked. If you have information regarding your ministries that you wish to share with the church - it needs to be submitted ASAP! You can email your information to [office@bethanyumc.net](mailto:office@bethanyumc.net). Thanks so much.

**2019 Calendars...** Are located on the table in the elevator hallway upstairs. Please be sure to take one..or two...or three to share.

**MUST MINISTRIES NEEDS** - The following items are needed at the Smyrna MUST pantry: beef stew, canned chicken, ham or salmon, ramen noodles, canned pork & beans, canned fruit (*pineapple or mandarin oranges - no snack sizes, please*), spaghetti noodles, dry potatoes, pinto beans, chili beans, canned carrots, canned spinach, kidney beans, canned peas, chunky soups, tomato paste, tea, juice boxes. Your donations are greatly appreciated.