

**UPCOMING ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS
CELEBRATION EVENTS**

DECEMBER 15-Third Sunday of Advent - Joy
11:00 AM - Christmas Cantata

DECEMBER 21-8:00 AM - Breakfast with Santa

DECEMBER 22-Fourth Sunday of Advent - Love
10:00 AM - Children's Birthday Party for Jesus (Basement)

DECEMBER 24 - Child Changes the World
4:00 PM - Candle Light Christmas Eve Service (Sanctuary)
11:00 PM - Candle Light Christmas Service (Sanctuary)

DECEMBER 25 - Merry Christmas, Church Family

STEWARDSHIP -DECEMBER 1, 2019

GIVING		ATTENDANCE	
Budget		Cent'ered	67
Weekly Need	\$ 7,631.56	Worship Service	172
Given	\$ 10,519.00	Total	239
Behind	\$ 8,090.63	Sunday School	146

Other Funds: Community Mission Fund: \$140.00; Youth Mission Trips: \$10.00; Mission Team Fund: \$100.00; Non-Cash: \$52.16; Pickin' & Grinnin' Meal: \$250.00; Alpha Pregnancy (P&G) &410.00

Center United Methodist Church

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Center United Methodist Church
Mitch Wilson, Senior Pastor
Second Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2019

11:00 AM

Nursery with pagers available

Greeting and Announcements		Richard Bates, Lay Leader
Prelude	<i>“Rise Up Shepherds and Follow”</i>	Marty Stanbery
Call to Worship		
PRESENTATION of the LIGHT of CHRIST		Aubrey Adkins
The Gift of God’s HOLY WORD		Ann-Marie Kurtzman
The Marvelous CROSS of CHRIST		Isabelle Johnson
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH - PEACE		
People:	<i>“Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.”</i>	
Leader:	<i>We light the second candle of peace. Let us see peace in the Lord!</i>	
*HYMN NO. 240	<i>“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”</i>	
*GREETING and SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST		The People
*HYMN NO. 218	<i>“It Came upon the Midnight Clear”</i>	
	Please Bring Macaroni & Cheese and Sugar Offering to the Altar	
Registration of Attendance		
Sharing of JOYS and CONCERNS and PRAYER		Rev. Mitch Wilson
VOICES OF THE CHILDREN	<i>“Three Wisemen”</i>	Children’s Choir
	<i>(Wisemen: Parker Brinkley, Isaiah Hill & Ervin Hobbs)</i>	
CHILDREN’S TIME		Dawn Essick
	Following Children’s Time, children K-2 nd grade may go to Children’s Church	
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		Mike Craver
OFFERTORY	<i>“I Saw a Star”</i>	Chancel Choir
*DOXOLOGY PAGE NO. 95	<i>“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”</i>	
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>“Christmas Isn’t Christmas”</i>	Youth Singers
*THE READING OF THE WORD	<i>Luke 1:39-45 NIV</i>	Rev. Mitch Wilson
THE PREACHING OF GOD’S WORD	<i>“The Wonder of Peace”</i>	Rev. Mitch Wilson
*HYMN OF COMMITMENT PAGE 249	<i>“There’s a Song in the Air”</i>	
	The Altar is open during the singing of the Closing Hymn	
*CHRIST’S LIGHT and CROSS of CHRIST GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD		Aubrey Adkins and Isabelle Johnson
*BLESSING/BENEDICTION		Rev. Mitch Wilson
*POSTLUDE		Marty Stanbery

*Congregation Stands



WELCOME

We welcome you to your church! If you are a guest, we are especially glad you are here and ask that you give your name, address, and phone number by filling out a Visitor's Card found on the back of each pew and placing it in the offering plate as it is passed. Also, drop by the "CONNECT TABLE" for your gift and information about your new church family. If you do not have a church home, we cordially invite you to share in the life of this congregation.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY

TRADITIONAL SERVICE GREETERS

Today – Steve & Molly Long
Dustin & Brittany Hobbs (Family)
Next Sunday – Mark & Tracy Bean
Lannie & Vicki Sink

USHERS

Today –Charlie Minter (Head)
Tommy Henderson, Michael Hill,
Tony Hill, Dustin Hobbs
Next Sunday –Charlie Minter (Head)
Randall Jackson, J. C. Johnson,
Joey Johnson, Woody Johnson

TRADITIONAL SERVICE CONNECTORS

Today – Clifton & Lynda Beck
Next Sunday – Dean & Martha Slabach

ACOLYTE

Today – Aubrey Adkins
Next Sunday – Mycah Kopley

BIBLE BEARER

Today – Ann-Marie Kurtzman
Next Sunday – Micah Hollingsworth

CROSS OF CHRIST BEARER

Today – Isabelle Johnson
Next Sunday – Graylin Snyder

CHILDREN’S TIME

Today – Dawn Essick
Next Sunday – Jennifer Brinkley

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Today – Tina Fulcher & Karri Hollingsworth
Next Sunday – Angie Leonard & Karen Hodge

INFANT NURSERY

Today – Parenting Nursery

FINANCIAL COUNTERS

Today – Randy Black, Gray Boger,
Dustin Hobbs
Next Sunday – Gary Brinkley, Jeff Mendenhall

TODDLER NURSERY

Today – Jennifer Kurtzman
Next Sunday– Elizabeth Shillinglaw

EARLY SERVICE NURSERY

Today – Lucinda Black
Next Sunday – Amy Brauser

EARLY SERVICE GREETERS

Today – Rodney & Sarah Williams
Aaron Whitfield
Next Sunday - Aaron Whitfield

EARLY SERVICE CONNECTORS

Today – Deena Tolley
Next Sunday – Debbie Williams

SAFE SANCTUARY

Children remain in the Sanctuary during Worship or with our trained teachers in Children’s Church
Children are not permitted to sit in empty classrooms or roam the hall without adult supervision.

THIS WEEK AT CENTER

Sunday (December 8) ADVENT II-PEACE

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM-3:00 PM Christmas Shoppe Set Up (CFC)
11:00 AM Worship Service
12:00 PM-3:00 PM Children's Christmas Shoppe (CFC)
4:30 PM Youth Singers' Practice
5:00 PM Admin. Board Meeting (FH)
6:00 PM Youth
6:00 PM Children's Pageant (CFC)
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

Monday (December 9)

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

Tuesday (December 10)

6:00 PM UMW Christmas Dinner (CFC)

Wednesday (December 11)

6:00 PM Youth
6:30 PM Children's Choir Practice
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday (December 12)

2-10:00 PM Civitans' Davidson Workshop (CFC)
4-10:00 AHG Award Ceremony (Sanctuary)
6:30 PM Hand Bell Practice

Friday (December 13)

4-10:00 PM Goodwill Class Party (CFC)

Saturday (December 14)

12-9:00 PM Welcome Fire Department (CFC)
2-10:00 PM Rocky Hedrick Family (FH)

Next Sunday (December 15) ADVENT III-JOY

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service – Cantata – “Emmanuel”
2-6:00 PM Gina Chisholm (FH)
3-5:00 PM JOY Kids (CFC)
3-5:00 PM JAM Kids (Basement)
6:00 PM Youth
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

MEMORY AND HONOR

*In Honor of Teachers of Good Samaritan Class
Budget Fund
Good Samaritan Class*

JAM KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Calling all kids ages FOUR TO SECOND grade! Christmas is coming and we are planning a wonderful and fun celebration at JAM Kids! We are meeting on December 15 from 3-5 PM in the children's basement. There will be games, food, crafts and even a giving game... (Please see Angie Leonard for more details). We will also collect items for the animal shelter this year. They are in need of food and toys. We hope you can come out to a fun filled evening!
SEE YOU THEN!!!!

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN....ON DECEMBER 21!!!!

We would like to invite everyone to our annual breakfast with Santa Claus on Saturday, December 21, from 8:00 AM until 10:00 AM in the Christian Fellowship Center. We will have crafts, a coloring area, a cookie decorating station, and a free pancake breakfast provided by the Methodist Men. Santa will arrive at 9:00 AM to greet everyone and to take free pictures, so come early to enjoy all the fun!! We hope to see you there!!!



ANNUAL UMW CHRISTMAS PARTY – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10 – CFC – 6 PM

The United Methodist Women will have their annual Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 10, in the CFC, with the meal beginning at 6:00 PM. Members are asked to bring wrapped children's books for Genesis House. (*Please label the appropriate age and gender on each book.*) There will be a Christmas ornament swap for all who wish to participate, and our 2019 Secret Prayer Sisters will be revealed. What a wonderful way to celebrate Jesus' birth with our Sisters in Christ!

NORTH DAVIDSON HIGH SCHOOL CHURCH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 2019-2020

WEEK 2-MONDAY, DECEMBER 9 - FAITH

BYE – CENTER

WEEK 3-MONDAY, DECEMBER 16 – FAITH

7:30 PM BAPTIST WHITE VS. CENTER

***** NO GAMES DECEMBER 23 OR 30*****

NOTES:

- 1. If Davidson County schools are canceled because of weather, no games will be played regardless of the actual weather that evening.**
- 2. The first team listed is the home team. They are responsible for a 2-3 minute devotional at halftime.**
- 3. Games held at 3 different churches: Faith Church, 1078 Gumtree Rd. Winston-Salem; First Alliance Church, 1370 Arnold Rd., Lexington; Lighthouse Baptist, 221 Meadowview Rd., Lexington**

NORTH DAVIDSON MIDDLE SCHOOL CHURCH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 2019-2020

WEEK 1: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3 – FRIEDBERG

7:30 PM – OAK FOREST VS. CENTER

WEEK 2 – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10 – FRIEDBERG

7:30 PM – FIRST ALLIANCE VS. CENTER

WEEK 3 – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17- FRIEDBERG

8:30 PM – FAITH VS. CENTER

*****NO GAMES DECEMBER 24 OR 31*****

NOTES:

- 1. If Davidson County schools are canceled because of weather, no games will be played regardless of the actual weather that evening.**
- 2. The first team listed is the home team. They are responsible for a 2-3 minute devotional at halftime.**
- 3. Games held at 2 different churches: Friedberg Moravian, 2178 Friedberg Church Rd., Winston Salem; Faith Church, 1078 Gumtree Rd. Winston-Salem**

2020 GIVING ENVELOPES

If you have not been getting your giving envelopes or would like to start receiving the envelopes, please contact Gregg Stabler at 336-619-4115 or contact him at church. The current envelopes for 2020 are located in Sunday school class rooms or in the Narthex. Please pick up your envelopes now to begin using them in January. If you plan to make a donation for 2019, please remember the funds need to be in by December 31. Thank you.

Merry Christmas



United Methodist Women is hosting our 3rd Annual CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SHOPPE on TODAY, DECEMBER 8

Christian Fellowship Center

Doors open at 12:05pm

(following the traditional service)

Children through the fifth grade can shop for all of their family members and friends.

Their Christmas treasures that are purchased will be wrapped and ready for the Christmas tree!

There is something for everyone on their list.

Every item is just \$1.00, yep just \$1.00

Merry Christmas!!!

CHILDREN'S PAGEANT

Everyone is invited to join in the fun today, December 8, at 6:00 PM in the Christian Fellowship Center. The children will be performing skits and singing Christmas songs to celebrate the season with some help from Center friends. So, bring your Christmas spirit and your singing voice!

Seasonal refreshments will be served before to enjoy during the show.



NOTE: Please fill out a "Prayer Request" card found in the pews and place it in the offering plate or into the pastor's hand.

On Going Prayer Concerns for December 1:

- David Jarvis (Mike Craver's Nephew)
- Karen Thrower (Mike Craver's Sister)
- Dale Robbins
- Craig Shillinglaw
- Lannie Sink
- Renae Bailey
- Shirley Leonard
- Helen Clark (Deena Tolley's Grandmother)
- Bryan Martin (Donna Muraco's Son-in-Law)
- Ralph Burluson (Charles Richardson's Uncle)
- Brian Grubb (Joy Jones's Brother)
- Kathy Griffin (Joey Johnson's Friend's Mother)
- Karen Woods (Friend of Barbara Johnson)
- Robin Backer (Ashley Johnson's Mother)
- Bob & Crissy Wagner
- Kathy Kepley
- Kitty Minter
- Paul Stevens (Steve and Molly Long's Friend)

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY

IN MEMORY OF:

Judy Johnson & Kathy Tollie
 Ruth, John, Clinton & Jerry
 Cecil and Judy Johnson
 Cabel & Mary Minter
 JW Leonard & Janie Leonard Bryan
 Billy Joe Kepley
 Robert & Ada Lee Kepley
 Kenneth Marlow & RL & Ruby Bates
 Don Broadway
 Katy Hayes Culler

IN HONOR OF:

Dyke & Cindy Leonard
 Kathy Kepley

BY:

Joey, JC, & Barbara

 Rita & Van Wood
 Ed & Becky Wassum
 Libby Leonard & family
 Kathy, Chad, Shane & Lisha
 Grandchildren
 Robert & Lisa Bates
 Mardie & family
 Allen Culler, Jennifer Moser & Girls

BY:

Ryan & Kylie, Adam & Hannah
 Chad, Shane, Lisha & Scott



SHUT-INS AT HOME

Ann Clodfelter
 Dot Craver
 Mozelle Koontz
 Sherry Lanier

Charles and Bonnie Minter
 Bruce and Betty Regan
 Treavie Weaver

REST HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING

Marian Funderburk – Arbor Acres
 Joy Jones – Patriot Assisted Living, PO Box 759,
 Yadkinville, NC 27055
 Jewell McDade – Heritage Greens

IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Kenlev

Madison Brauser

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE WEDNESDAY AT 9 AM

DAILY UPDATES

Please check e-news for updates on joys, concerns, and announcements. If you do not receive daily e-news, contact Henrietta Hayes to be added at hhayes.enevs@gmail.com or cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com

FLOWER CALENDAR!!!

2020 CALENDAR IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD!

Your help in this ministry is most appreciated.

The flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please mark the date/dates you would like to put flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of your loved ones. Please include the name of the contact person for our Administrative Assistant and let her know prior to your Sunday how you would like the announcement printed.

RECENT JOYS TO BE THANKFUL FOR:

We were fewer in numbers at Pickin' & Grinnin' on the Friday after Thanksgiving with 140 in attendance, but the wonderful Christmas music got us all in the spirit of the season. Our offering of \$410 went to Alpha Pregnancy and \$250 from the meal was applied to the P&G Fund.

American Heritage Girls & the youth would like to thank everyone who donated & came out to pack for Operation Christmas Child. The youth were able to take around 90 boxes to the packing center. What a blessing to help out that many children! Next year our goal is 100! Thank you again! We hope you have a Happy Holiday!