

Memorial United Methodist Church

December 10, 2017
Second Sunday of Advent

Welcoming and Announcements

Centering our hearts

Christmas is near at hand. But do we truly believe Christ is coming soon? Do we yearn for the day will we prepare our hearts to receive the coming miracle? It is time to get ready.

Call to Worship - Responsive

Look! Faithful love and truth have met in this place.

Righteousness and peace have kissed in our midst.

Listen! God is speaking words of hope.

Christ is calling us into God's flock.

See the glory of God shines all around us. The love of Christ flows through our lives.

Come! Let us worship.

Prayer- Unison

Shepherding God, as lambs of your flock, we long to lie down in green pastures. Lift us into your lap, and comfort our troubled minds. Give us your rest, and strengthen our weary bodies. Guide us through this season of anticipation and hope, that we might lift our voices in laughter and song. Make our paths straight, that we might move boldly forward as we prepare for your arrival. Amen.

◆ Hymn "Let There Be Peace on Earth" 431

Lighting the Second Candle of Advent - Responsive

"O come, thou Key of David, come, and open wide our heavenly home. The captives from their prison free, and conquer death's deep misery."

God of Love, you created the universe and all that is in it. You created all things and called them good. God of Love, you wove into life a beautiful diversity from your infinite palette of creativity. All the creatures that walk or swim, crawl or fly sing praises to you

We, God's people, affirm the creation of all things in love, saying with the psalmist: "God's salvation is very close to those who honor [God] so that [God's] glory can live in our land. Faithful love and truth have met; righteousness and peace have kissed." (Psalm 85:9-10, CEB)

On this second Sunday of Advent, we light this candle to remind us that the God of Creation calls us home to love all that we meet.

Sharing of Joys / Concerns / Testimonies

Prayer for our concerns

Reading of the Psalm

◆ Hymn "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" 251

◆ Epistle Reading 2 Peter 3:8-15a
Please stand for the reading of the Scripture

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

◆ Doxology 95
WE STAND TO PRAISE GOD

Children's Moment

Special Music

Prayer of Confession - The Apostles' Creed 881

Scripture

The Message

◆ Hymn "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand" 724

◆ Benediction

Postlude

◆ Please stand as you are able

The altar is always open. You may come to the altar to pray anytime.

Welcome to

Memorial United Methodist Church
509 Market St., Spencer, WV 25276
304-927-4427 Church Office 304-519-2016 Parsonage
www.spencermemorialumc.org

Joys:

Living testimonies to the saving grace of God

Concerns:

David Morris	Bill Hanshaw	Tom Jackson, Sr. & Jr.
Tammy Hershman	Delbert Good	Mary Kendall
Robert Starcher	Junior Dalton	Jenny Jones
Shelia Nichols	Kevin Reed	Olivia Batton
Stanley Wilson	Clara Wyatt	Leonard May
Cameron Jones	Ramona May	Rosalee Caldwell
Jennifer Gandee-Barker		

Families suffering the loss of loved ones
Those affected by the recent natural disasters

This Week's Activities and Announcements

TODAY - Christmas Lunch after Worship Service

Monday - Gifts to Burlington UM Family Services

Wednesday - 2:00 PM Mountaineer Food Bank Delivery

Thursday - 9:00AM - packing BackPacks (455 for 4 schools)

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Thanks to John Michael Sullivan (See Luke 2:1-16) 12-23-2005
AT LEAST WE CAN SAY THAT HE WAS BROUGHT
UP IN A STABLE HOME


Peace



*Glory to GOD in
the highest, and on earth peace,
good will towards men.*

DECEMBER Memorial UMC

unless otherwise noted

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 10:00Am Hanging of the Greens -decorating the church for Advent
3 Beech Grove 1 st Sunday of Advent 9:30 AM - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Worship Last Sunday to bring Burlington gifts	4 6:00 PM -Lions Club	5 Mountaineer Food Bank delivery of Apples.	6	7 9:00 AM - pack BackPacks	8	9
10 Reedy 2 nd Sunday of Advent 9:30 AM - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Worship Christmas Lunch after Worship	11 Deliver Gifts to Burlington UMFS	12	13 2:00PM - Unload last Backpack delivery for 2017	14 9:00 AM - pack BackPacks	15	16
17 Beech Grove 3 rd Sunday of Advent 9:30 AM - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Worship	18 6:00 PM -Lions Club	19	20 9:00 AM - pack /deliver BackPacks	21	22	23
24 Reedy 4 th Sunday of Advent 9:30 AM - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Worship 6:00PM Candlelight Service	25 Christmas Day 	26	27	28	29	30
31 9:30 AM - Sunday School 11:00 AM - Worship	<p>* Calendar is subject to change - Check weekly announcements in bulletin for changes. Bold Printed activities are church functions/events. December 2 - 10:00 AM - time to decorate the church for the Advent Season. Come and help prepare for the Savior's birth.</p>					

