

2nd Sunday Of
Advent
 December 7, 2025



Pre-School Sunday School

This Sunday's Pre-k through 4th grade lesson, titled "God's Long Ago Promise", we will learn that Jesus is the Savior that God promised. We will focus on Luke 2:1-20.

Administrative Council Meeting

We will be hosting an impromptu Administrative Council Meeting on December 14 immediately after worship. This meeting will be to vote on and approve an expense of \$7,300.00 for office upgrades. The meeting is open for all members who would like to attend. If you have any questions, please direct them to Pastor Tim.

Christmas Card Shower

We will be doing a Christmas Card Shower for Carol & Ken Slocum. Their address is as follows: The Gardens of Statesville, 2147 Davie Ave., Statesville, NC 28625. If you have any questions, please see Sue Tieg.



Caring Tree

There will be a small tree in the Narthex decorated with names, ages and gift suggestions on it from the Ella Cochran food pantry. If you are so led to help those in our community who are struggling, please take a tag, purchase and wrap a \$20 gift. Then return it to the tree anytime before December 14. Remember to attach the tree tag to your gift so we know who to give it to. Questions? Please see Mary Kobylinski. Thank you all so much for your continuous support of the food pantry.



His Shining Lights Christmas

There are 2 upcoming His Shining Lights events. On 12/10 they will be at Parkside Elmwood Nursing Home. And on 12/16 they will be at Walnut Creek Nursing Home. If you would like to participate, please call Phil Askins (814-823-3655). They are in need of singers/musical instruments players. They will be singing songs and presenting gifts and pictures to residents. The events start at 6:30pm, please arrive by 6pm.



W.o.W. Cookie Exchange

The Women of Worship are doing a Cookie Exchange this holiday season. If you'd like to participate, please sign up at the W.o.W. table in the Narthex.



Praise & Worship....."Your Name (Christmas)"*
"O Come Be Born Again"

Welcome & Invocation.....*Jim Loeffler*

Prelude.....*"O Little Town of Bethlehem"*.....*Linda Morey*

Prayer.....*Sue Tieg*

Advent Reading (Isaiah 11:6)

Kids Talk.....*Steve Pitonyak*

Worship Song....."Glory (Let There Be Peace)"*

Old Testament Reading (1 Samuel 3:1-11).....*Chris Pitonyak*

Special Music.....*"Away In A Manger"*.....*Morgan Stranahan & Linda Morey*

Offertory/Offering.....*"Bethlehem Morning"*.....*Linda Morey*

*Doxology/Blessing of Gifts

Hymn #230....."O Little Town Of Bethlehem"*

New Testament Reading (Luke 1:26-38)

Message **Holy Moments: Be Available**

Communion....."What Feast Of Love"*

Responding to God's Love....."He Has Done Great Things"*

*Benediction/Blessing

Exit Song....."Holy Is The Lord"*

*Please remain standing.

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SHUMY Bible Studies & Dinner

SHUMY Jr. High is meeting on Thursdays and Sr. High is meeting on Tuesdays, both 6:30-8:30pm at Sue Tiegs house, for dinner and a Bible Study. In December our Sr. High will meet on 12/2, 12/9 and 12/16. Meanwhile our Jr. High will meet on 12/4, 12/11 and 12/18.



Dustin's Drive

SHUMY is going to be reaching out with a toy drive for EUMA families at the Refuge this Christmas. We will be joining Dustin's Drive, an annual toy drive started 13 years ago by our very own Dustin Sutter. We are collecting new, unwrapped toys for any child from baby-teens. The toys will be donated to the Refuge, unwrapped and the unhoused families that are staying there will pick out toys and wrap them for their children. It is a wonderful chance for all of us who have SO much to give back this holiday to families that don't have anything. We will have a box to collect toys in the Narthex. You can leave them anytime starting this Sunday, November 23-December 15. Please feel free to pass the news of this toy drive to your friends at work, school and anywhere. Thanks!

Dominican Republic Missionary Fundraiser

Our missionary team is headed back to the Dominican Republic in January! In order to raise the necessary funds, they are currently hosting a T-Shirt sale. We have sizes S-3XL available. The shirt features a logo on the pocket as well as the verse 1 John 4:19 on the back. If you would like to order one of these custom-made T-Shirts, please find Sue Tiegs or Victoria Brady.

Worship & Prayer Night

Our young adults will be hosting a Worship & Prayer Night here at the church on December 29 at 6:30pm. This service is being planned and executed by our college aged members. If you are interested in attending, please do! This event is meant for all ages and stages of life. Come and experience Jesus with us. If you have any questions about this event please speak with Sue Tiegs or Victoria Brady.





Communion

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The Lord be with you,
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. God of Abraham and Sarah, God of Miriam and Moses, God of Joshua and Deborah, God of Ruth and David, God of the priests and the prophets, God of Mary and Joseph, God of the apostles and the martyrs, God of our mothers and our fathers, God of our children to all generations.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, whom you sent in the fullness of time to be. A light to the nations.

You scatter the proud in the imagination of their hearts and have mercy on those who fear you from generation to generation. You put down the mighty from their thrones and exalt those of low degree. You fill the hungry with good things, and the rich you send empty away. Your own Son came among us as a servant, to be Emmanuel, your presence with us.

He humbled himself in obedience to your will and freely accepted death on a cross.

By the baptism of his suffering, death and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said; "Drink from this all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, and with each other and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father now and forever.

Amen.