

GOOD TO KNOW

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Office Hours: Wed. & Thurs. 10am-4pm
Bulletin deadline is 10 AM Wednesdays.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Pre-K to Grade 5 9:45 to 10:45am during worship (Children will learn Bible stories, do fun hands-on activities & crafts.)

Grade 6-12 10:45 to 11:45am (We're using *The Story* a modern approach to walk through the Bible). Next date for class: 12/3, 12/17.

Adult Sunday School 11:10am - On break.

Wednesday Adult Bible Study 1:30pm.
Studying the book of James. Meets in the McCombe Room. Facilitator: Keith Miller.



Please pray for -

Mimi Knox, Kathy Houghton,
George Puzey, Lisa Murphy,

Debbie Shank, Steve Dodge, Kevin, Jim & Jen Tainter, Diane (Becky's friend), Buckmans, Israel, Gaza, and continued release of hostages and their families, those who are recovering from illness or undergoing surgery, empty pews to be filled, caregivers, the less fortunate, and many other unspoken needs.

Lord, thank you for hearing our prayers and for our many blessings. Help us to be a blessing to others.

* If you have a prayer request, or would like a visit, please let Pastor Joseph know.

Dec. 13 **Red Cross Blood Drive**, 2-7pm at Towne Center in Fayetteville. Sign up at RedCross.org. Sponsored by MUMC. *We need volunteers to log donors in. Contact Sandy O'Connor (315-314-1111, sandra@cnyhomes.com.)

Dec. 15 **F-M Key Club Spaghetti Dinner** 5-7pm at MUMC. \$9 for adult, \$8 for senior, \$6 for children 5 to 12, Family max of \$30. (Salad, bread spaghetti w/meatballs, dessert)

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MANLIUS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 3, 2023 ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

COMMUNION ~ THE HANGING OF THE GREENS

We're glad you joined us this morning. In this time of worship, may you find comfort, encouragement, hope, and peace in the promise of the Holy Spirit.

*Please stand as you are able.

(L: Leader, P: People)



THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

Carol

Ralph Vaughan Williams, arr. Herbert Sumsion

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

L: How can we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, the King?

P: With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.

L: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, the eternal Christ?

P: With garlands and wreaths of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.

L: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, our Savior?

P: With arrangements of holly and ivy, symbolizing His passion, death, and resurrection.

L: How shall we prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus, the Son of God?

P: By hearing again the words of the prophets who foretold the saving work of God.

L: For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

ALL: Glory to God in the highest!

* PRAYER

God of the darkened night, God of the morning light, come to us again. Come to us in the preparation of our homes and our hearts. Come to us in the harmony of song and the sound of silence. Come in our faithful waiting and hopeful watching. Come to us in the cry for peace and the smile of forgiveness. God of the darkened night, God of the morning light, come to us; be with us. Amen.

The Hanging of the Greens: Decorating the Sanctuary

Readers: Tommy Murphy and Lisa Wright-Murphy

HYMN #211	O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v. 1)	
THE ADVENT WREATH	Tommy Murphy and Lisa Wright-Murphy	Isaiah 9:2
HYMN #211	O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vss. 5, 7)	
THE WREATHS AND THE GARLAND		Isaiah 60:13-14
Carl Basso, Brian Ogborn, Patrick & Sandy O’Connor, Karen Ogborn		
HYMN #240	Hark, the Herald Angels Sing (v. 3)	
THE POINSETTIAS	George & Dottie Cady	Isaiah 40:6-8
HYMN #203	Hail to the Lord’s Anointed (v. 1)	
THE NATIVITY	Sunday School	Luke 2:8-12
HYMN #230	O Little Town of Bethlehem (v. 1)	
THE TREES	Sunday School	Jeremiah 17:7-8
HYMN #206	I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (v. 4)	

The Offering

*THE SONG OF THANKSGIVING#221 In the Bleak Midwinter (v. 4)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of hope and peace, joy, and love, made known in Jesus who became the Christ, receive these gifts that they may they bless the work and witness of this place and these, your people. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

All are welcome to participate. Please remain in your seat and the ushers will bring the elements to you. When instructed eat the piece of bread then drink the cup, remembering all that our Savior has done for you.

THE PRAYER AFTER THE HOLY COMMUNION (UNISON)

Jesus, you truly are Immanuel “God with us”. In this season of hope, may the meal we’ve shared together nourish us to be your body in the world, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. With the angels in heaven we join in singing your praises, Glory to God in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Praises and Prayers

THE PRAISE REPORTLord, we give you praise.
THE PRAYER REQUESTSLord, hear our prayer.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN OF SENDING FORTHCome, Thou Long-Expected Jesus#196

*THE BENEDICTION

Joy is now in every place, the light of promise shines on every wall and window and door. So does that same light shine in each and every heart gathered here. Let us go into God’s world to share the same light, the light of One who comes. Amen.

*THE RESPONSE TO THE BLESSINGO Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 2)#211

THE POSTLUDEFestival PostludeDomenico Zipoli
(*Please remain in the pews during the postlude.)

We hope you enjoyed worshipping with us. Our hope and prayer is that you find the presence of God here and a spirit of friendliness and warmth. Please feel free to contact us if you are so led. Please join us for fellowship following the service.

Participating in Our Service

Pastor	Rev. Joseph Kim
Organist	Cathy Koch
Liturgist	Brad Delans
A/V Tech.	David Soergel, Bruce Cordes
Greeters	Harry Hale
Ushers	Sandra O’Connor, Becky Soergel

Our Children’s Christmas Play will be a combined performance with youth from Oran CC on December 17th at 9:45 am at MUMC.

Rehearsals are:

- ★ Today at 12 noon. (with pizza)
- ★ Sunday, December 10th at 3:00pm
- ★ Saturday, December 16th at 9:30am (costumes will be fitted at this time)

Contact Diana Cordes with questions (315-440-4567, sedroc8@aol.com)