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Loving God, Loving People

It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, proclaiming your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night !



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A Service of Christian Worship

First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024

Welcome		Grey Pennell
One: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you		
All: <i>And also with you.</i>		
One: Our Lord Will Come Again		
All: <i>Our hope is found in Christ!</i>		
Hymn*	<i>Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus</i>	No. 196 UMH
Prayer of Confession		Pastor Scott
	Lighting of the Advent Wreath	
	The Prophet's Candle	
Hymn*	<i>Infant Holy, Infant Lowly</i>	No. 229 UMH
Hymn*	<i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i>	No. 211 UMH
Passing the Peace*		All
Children's Time		Amy Blackwell
Prayers of the People		Grey Pennell
Offering	<i>Doxology</i>	No. 95 UMH
Message	The Cornerstone Rejected Isaiah 8:14	Pastor Scott
	The Bread and The Cup	
Hymn of Response*	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	No. 234 UMH
Prayer of Commission*		Pastor Scott
Benediction*	<i>Emmanuel, Emmanuel</i>	No. 204 UMH

* Please Stand As You Are Able

Advent and the Prophet Candle

The first Advent candle is traditionally called the Prophecy Candle. We rejoice that God prepares our lives through prophecy to receive Christ when he comes. The words from Isaiah 9:2-7 prepare us to receive Christ as the child who comes to us in Bethlehem. Isaiah's words also prepare us to receive Christ when he comes again in power. At that time he will fulfill the promise to be Prince of Peace and Wonderful Counselor for all times and there will truly be no end to his gracious kingdom.

LADIES CHRISTMAS DINNER: Join us on December 10th from 6-8pm for the annual Ladies' Christmas Dinner and Stocking Exchange at the BBB! Bring a cute pair of socks, fill them with delightful small goodies, and wrap them up for a playful exchange game. Don't forget to bring your favorite holiday dish to share with our amazing group! Contact Sonya Richards for more information, 864.978.2584.

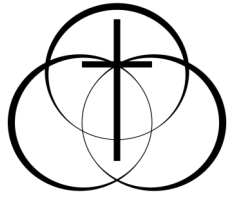
CHRISTMAS PARADE OUTREACH Come and celebrate Christmas as we serve the community with Hot Chocolate at the annual parade in Reidville. We need volunteers for 1 hour, 2 hours, or more from 9:00 to 4:00. Sign up to volunteer in the Gathering Space.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The white poinsettias are placed at the altar for the Glory of God and in loving memory of Leslie & Brenda Roper by Sonya, Tim, Trey & Elizabeth Richards.

8:17 Pray For 1 We invite you to pray for one another and our community at 8:17 each morning or evening. Pray For 1 - *Remember these friends in prayer this week:* Johnny Wade, Randy Conwell, Judy Bergeron, Gayle Mitchell, Allan Fowler, Darlene DeYoung, Reba and Dean Snow, David & Madeleine Snow, Pat and Alex Box, Staci Sizemore, Joe Fowler, Carlene Sheriff, Larry Belcher, Chuck Hembree, Paul Webb,

WELCOME GUESTS We've been expecting you! We'd love to connect with you to help you take the next step in your journey. You can do this by filling out the *Connect Card located* in the pew card holder or scan the QR code with your phone. If you need anything, please speak to one of the ushers or greeters with the "How May I Help" badges. They'll be happy to answer any questions.





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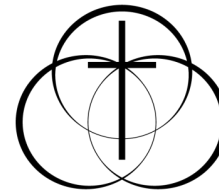
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