

FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 9, 2018
8:30 am Worship Service



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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS December 9, 2018 8:30 a.m.

The second Sunday of Advent emphasizes the idea of preparing for the coming Messiah. John is charged with telling people to get ready – to be prepared – to repent – for the time has come!

Words of Greeting, Announcements, Joys, Concerns, and Prayer

Prelude

You are asked to fill in the requested information and then pass to the next person the attendance registration pad found in each pew for that person to fill out.

Lighting of The Second Candle: Mark 1:4 (*New Testament Page 32 in your pew Bible*)

L: We light the Second Candle as a symbol of Christ The Way.

P: May the Word sent from God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation.

***Hymns of Promised Coming:** TFWS 2091 “The King of Glory Comes”
TFWS 2096 “Rise Up, Shepherd and Follow”
TFWS 2098 “The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy”

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Megan Arnold - confirmation
Nadia Hawe - confirmation
Ben Heyer - confirmation
Caroline Hopper - confirmation
Elizabeth Hopper - confirmation
Olivia Miller- confirmation
Gabrial Moreland - confirmation
Corinne Page - confirmation
Kyle Page – confirmation
Autumn Piper - confirmation

Lindsay Post - confirmation
Tyler Stacey - confirmation
Steven Shefka - confirmation
Amy Saunders – prof. of faith
Troy Saunders – prof. of faith
Joshua Trickle - confirmation
Matthew Trickle - confirmation
Evelyn Weare – prof. of faith
Diane Webb – prof. of faith

L: We are welcoming new members into the Fellowship of Friendship United Methodist Church today. This group includes the Confirmation Class that have met together to study the meaning of faith and discipleship, and who come here to be formally received into this family of God's people known as Friendship United Methodist Church.

Pastor addresses everyone

L: Do you believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, goodness, and love; and in Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord and Savior, and in the Holy Spirit, who takes the things of Jesus Christ and reveals them to the world?

P: We do.

L: Will you strive to know the will of God, as taught in the Holy Scriptures, and to walk in the ways of the Lord, made known or to be made known to us?

P: We will.

L: Do you confess your sins to Almighty God, and putting your trust in Him, promise to follow God's Commandments and to walk in God's holy ways?

P: We do.

L: Do you plan to yield yourself to God, enabling the Holy Spirit to dwell within you, in order that you may be a true disciple not in name only, but in action and in truth?

P: We do.

Reading from 2 Corinthians 5:17

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation, everything old has passed away; see everything has become new!"

Response by the Congregation

L: Please repeat after me the welcome extended to these new members.

We welcome you into this family known as Friendship United Methodist Church.

P: We welcome you into this family known as Friendship United Methodist Church.

L: You are our brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ.

P: You are our brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ.

L: We love you. We need you. We encourage you.

P: We love you. We need you. We encourage you.

L: And we will pray for you.

P: And we will pray for you.

Reading from Galatians 3:26-28

"...for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus."

Prayer of Thanksgiving (In Unison)

Almighty God, we are grateful for this new family relationship at Friendship United Methodist Church. We thank You for the lives of these with whom we are bound in Jesus Christ. Now help us to encourage and love each other in difficult times and in good times. Amen.

Music by The Praise Team "Away in a Manger" (Kilpatrick, arr. David Willcocks)

The Gathering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings

The Offertory "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming (16 C. German Hymn) Praise Team

*Response: "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

And now let the weak say, 'I am strong;' Let the poor say, 'I am rich,

Because of what the Lord has done for us.' Give thanks!

*Prayer of Dedication & Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Congregational Song: TFWS 2093 "The Snow Lay on the Ground"

Scripture: Luke 3:1-6 (*New Testament Page 56 in your pew Bible*)

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Message: "Here it Comes.....Wait on it.....REPENT!" – Rev. Thomas E. Young, Jr.

***Closing Song:** TFWS 2100 (vs. 1-4) "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

***Sending Forth with God's Blessing**

***Response:** TFWS 2100 (v. 5) "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

***Postlude**

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Elizabeth Hopper – hospitalized with pneumonia, Pastor Wayne Chung, Eileen Klase whose mother passed away recently, Tim Perry (father of VIP Megan Perry) diagnosed with brain cancer, Kathy Thorne, Kathy Wallace, Buddy Frost – diagnosed with dementia, Debbie Shefka & family, Tyler Madden, People in transition, Those who travel, For the healing of the nation.

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*The flowers on the altar tables are given in loving memory of
Robert S. Miller, Sr. by his family*

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*The rosebud on the communion table is in honor of the birth of
Brian Patrick Slattery, III, born Monday, December 3rd to Sarah & Brian,
grandson of Alan & Janey Booker, nephew of Gracie Booker*

Our Service:

Ministers	All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary	Bonnie Dean, bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
Music Team	Sandy Melson Griese, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
Children & Youth Ministry Coord.	Courtney Eversfield, cymc@friendshipmethodist.org
Custodian	Jim Fowler
Counters	Joyce Terry & Missy Zentz
8:30 Ushers	Harry Hill
8:30 Acolyte	Colin Brumley
Friendship Time	Ruth Zone (Cyndie Sybert)
Altar Guild for December	Marge Lewis (301) 855-6497
Stephen Ministry Coordinator	Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)
Pastor	Rev. Thomas E. Young, Jr. revtyoung@friendshipmethodist.org

Our Presence: Worship Attendance Last Sunday 175 * Average Weekly Worship 199

Our Gifts: Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. **Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!**

Record of Giving (Funds Received by the Church)

	January-October 2018					
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Var %		
General Fund	\$273,871	\$294,694	(\$20,823)	-7%		
Missions Fund	\$19,544	\$20,124	(\$580)	-3%		
P&I Fund	\$21,388	\$13,802	\$7,586	55%		
Building Fund	\$53,333	\$48,296	\$5,037	10%		
Kitchen Fund	\$24,474	\$8,325	\$16,149	194%		
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	28	Other	0	YTD Cereal	1,267

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$140,695/ Mortgage Loan Balance = \$284,593 as of October 31, 2018



Monday, December 24, 2018

3:00 pm – Children’s Service

6:00 pm – featuring Sanctuary Choir

8:30 pm – featuring Voices In Praise

& Voices In Praise Alumni

11:00 pm – including Holy communion



Thank you to everyone who donated to the youth group hygiene drive for The Lighthouse Annapolis. We collected over 70 different items to go to the homeless! We are hoping to do a volunteer project with them in the spring!

A Daily Scripture and Reflections for Advent sheet is available in the Narthex. One per family please!



Rev. Young can be reached at the church office, 410 257 7133; parsonage 443 646 5753; e-mail revyoung@friendshipmethodist.org

Please do not assume that Rev. Tom knows about those in the hospital or who are sick. He would rather have many phone calls, and/or e-mails about the same situation then not to get any at all.

Thanks

Tom Young