

FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 23, 2018

8:30 am Worship Service



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Welcome, Sharing, and Prayer

Prelude "Angels We Have Heard On High" (arr. Turner)
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 Fourth Candle: Isaiah 9:6-7 (*Old Test. Page 600 in your pew Bible*)
L: We light this candle as a symbol of the Prince of Peace.
P: **May the visitation of Your Holy Spirit, O God, make us ready for the coming of Jesus, our hope and joy.**

***Congregational Hymn:** UMH 242 "Love Came Down at Christmas"

***Opening Prayer**

The Gathering of our Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings

The Offertory "Little Jesus Sweetly Sleep" (arr. Ritter)

*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*

**Please rise either in posture or in spirit.*

Cantata by the Sanctuary Choir
Sing Christmas! By Raney and McDonald

Suite I Sing Joy!

Sing Joy Overture
 Joy of Longing Hearts

Suite II Sing Noel!

Sing Noel!
 Tell Out, My Soul

Suite III Sing Emmanuel!

Sing Emmanuel! Christ is Born
 Emmanuel God With Us!

Suite IV Sing Gloria!

Sing Gloria!
 Glory to the Newborn King

- *Closing Hymn: UMH 240 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"
- *Sending Forth with God's Blessing
- *Congregations Response: UMH 240 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing – refrain
- *Postlude "Good Christian Men, Rejoice" (Weld)

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*A list of memorial and honorable donations of the beautiful poinsettias that
 decorate our church is available in the Narthex*

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Rob Sybert, Greg Kernan, The family of Tim Perry (father of VIP Megan Perry), who passed away last week, Elizabeth Hopper recovering from pneumonia, Pastor Wayne Chung, 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.

Our Service:

Ministers
 Secretary
 Music Team
 Children & Youth Ministry Coord.
 Custodian
 Counters
 8:30 Ushers
 Friendship Time
 Altar Guild for December
 Stephen Ministry Coordinator
 Pastor

All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
 Bonnie Dean, bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
 Sandy Melson Griese, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
 Courtney Eversfield, cymc@friendshipmethodist.org
 Jim Fowler
 Will Fowler & Mary Kauffman
 Harry Hill
Friendship Time Resumes January 6, 2019
 Marge Lewis (301) 855-6497
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 Rev. Thomas E. Young, Jr.
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Our Presence: Worship Attendance Last Sunday 186 * Average Weekly Worship 199
 Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday 58

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-November 2018			
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Var %
General Fund	\$302,759	\$294,694	\$8,065	3%
Missions Fund	\$22,097	\$20,124	\$1,973	10%
P&I Fund	\$24,359	\$13,802	\$10,557	76%
Building Fund	\$57,870	\$48,296	\$9,574	20%
Kitchen Fund	\$26,295	\$8,325	\$17,970	216%
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal 28	Other 0	YTD Cereal	1,321

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$142,515/ Mortgage Loan Balance = \$278,494 as of November 30, 2018