

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, December 8, 2024—2nd Sunday of Advent

Prelude	<i>“One Small Child”</i>	Bell Choir
Welcome and Announcements		
Lighting of Advent Candle		United Women in Faith
Opening Hymn	<i>“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”</i>	UMH #211 (v. 1-4)
Scripture	<i>“Micah 5:2-4”</i>	
Hymn	<i>“Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming”</i>	UMH #216(v. 1-3)
Affirmation of Faith	<i>Apostles' Creed</i>	UMH #881
Offertory	<i>“The Shepherds' Song”</i>	Bell Choir
Doxology	<i>“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”</i>	UMH #95
Children's Message		Phoebe Rogers
Praises & Concerns		
The 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.	
Sermon Scripture	<i>“Luke 2:8-14”</i>	
Sermon	<i>“Messses and Miracles”</i>	Pastor Richard Blount
Hymn	<i>“Angles from the Realm of Glory”</i>	UMH #220(v. 1, 2, 4)
Blessing		Pastor Richard Blount
Postlude		Charlie Harnish

PRAISES:

Christmas Card by JeanAnn Taylor, Messiah performance at First Baptist Church .

FAMILIES OF DECEASED:

Family of Forest Melzer, Family of Bob McLaughlin

PRAISES AND CONCERNS:

Craig and Jenny Strausburg Mission Trip

CONCERNS:

Families who lost their jobs due to Helene, ongoing hurricane recovery; Burnsville, Marshall, Barnardsville, Hot Springs and all other communities; Artists and businesses in the RAD, Search for Youth and Children's Director, Jessica and Mason Austin, Pat Beatty, Dan Benhave, Ed Blount, Evan Blount, Linda Cook, Aubrey Cooper, Debbie Duncan, Tad Edwards, Ben Farthing, Tonya Fotinos, Christina Freelan, Judy Gentry, Jim Greenhut, Joyce Ingle, Jace, Elizabeth and John Hambring, Lynn Harvey, Henderson Family, Sue Jones, John King, Katherine LaMonica, Ken Lovelace, Olivia Lowe, Jeanne Morgan, Jennifer Phillips, Pond Family, Tyler Rockwood, Beverly Royall, Ronnie Reese, Emily Sewel, Thomas Stade, Joan Stafford, Stan Strohm, Susan Sudimak, Jack Teague, Unspoken, Germanine Weaver, Robert Weaver, Terri Wilson, Jeff Wohlfarth, People in Ukraine, Gaza, Syria, South Korea.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS:

Flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by the Les and Catherine Love.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ◆ Please pass the pew pads.
- ◆ **Community Church Candlelight Walk** today at 6pm. Make plans to join us on this special evening. The Bell and Chancel Choirs will be performing beautiful hymns and carols.
- ◆ **The Flower Calendar** for the coming year is in the narthex. Please put your name on an open Sunday to commemorate a special occasion or person.
- ◆ Stay tuned for more information about our **Christmas Card Outreach** project.

- ◆ **Welcoming our new Neighbors.** A ministry sponsored by Lutheran Services Carolinas. For our Christmas support project we chose helping new refugees in our area. We were inspired by this month's M&M Luncheon speaker Joyce Endaya. She is the outreach coordinator for the New Americans Program. More information can be found in the flyer. Please give prayerful consideration to this opportunity to help our neighbors and bring your donation to the church by **Sunday, December 22.**
- ◆ **The Minevia Brittain Circle** will meet on Wednesday, December 11, at 6:30pm at the home of Holly Leavitt. Call Joy Pansiera for more information 828.777.2337.
- ◆ **M&M Luncheon, Thursday, December 12, at 12:30pm** in the Fellowship Hall. The children of the WUMC preschool program will sing for our M&M (Mature and Methodist) group when we meet this month. They are excited about singing for the grandmas and grandpas, and they always bless us with their joy. The children will begin at 12:30, with our lunch following. Volunteers are needed for lasagna, salad, rolls and desserts. Please let Lorraine Cipriano (828-707-274 or rincip@charter.net) know if you will attend and if you can help with providing food. If you haven't joined us before, please come for good food and fellowship. Also remember that friends are always welcome.
- ◆ **Children Sunday School** is meeting at 9:45am in the Education Building.
- ◆ **Youth Group** is meeting this afternoon at 4:30pm. Bring a friend and your bible.
- ◆ **Ignite Class** is meeting at 9:45am this Sunday.
- ◆ **Explorer Class** meets each Sunday at 10am. Currently we are studying *“Encounters with Jesus”* by Timothy Keller.

CHURCH INFORMATION: You can learn more about WUMC by pointing your smart phone (in camera mode) to this QR code. It will give you a link which takes you to our web site, where you can sign up to receive our weekly newsletters and view past editions. We also have printed copies of our latest newsletter available in the Narthex for you to take with you. This service will be live-streamed and video recorded. Please notify an usher if you prefer to remain off-camera.



We are resuming our normal business hours:

1st and 3rd Mondays from 5-7pm

2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays from 10am –12 Noon

Current needs are girl and boy WINTER clothes sizes 2T-6T. Any non-expired car seats or boosters for car, Stand-alone Highchairs..

See the Amazon Wishlist, Target or Walmart or the church website. <https://www.weavervilleumc.org> Click BEAR Closet for ideas.

Want to help? Contact Catherine Love at catmlove@charter.net or call the BEAR closet at 828.658.5373. **There are options for many levels of activities or availability.**

CHURCH STAFF

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ABCCM

Not just help for a day, but for life.

The focus for the next 2 months will be to add to the coffers of what can be given out for mortgage and rental assistance. ABCCM has raised the limit for the amount that can be applied for folks after hurricane related losses: property, cars, jobs, a place to live. Checks are written directly to the bank or landlord. The need is greater than before Helene. To donate, write a check to the church with the notation, **ABCCM NORTH Rent.**

Pantry needs: peanut butter, jelly, adult cereal, oatmeal and grits packets, 5lb. bags of potatoes, onions, apples and oranges.

- ◆ **Community Prayer at the Weaverville Community Center** beginning on Monday, September 30, at 7pm in the smaller room. Everyone is invited.
- ◆ **WUMC Wednesday Morning Prayer** group will continue to meet at 8am in Education Building.
- ◆ **Women's Bible Study** will not meet through the holidays. We will resume on January 14, with the book *Abide* by Jen Wilkins



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