

Bible Study With Pastor Ruth is held Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. There will be no Bible Study Thursdays December 21 and 28.

Evening Bible Study: Bible Study is a growing ministry held on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the John Allison Public House.

Church Conference: Please plan to return to church today at 2:30pm.

Outreach: Peanut Butter / Jelly / Oatmeal Packets / Cereal Bars / Pudding 4-packs

Join in Service: Monday, December 11th at 1:00 p.m. – Pack food for the Inn
Sunday, December 17th at 11:45 a.m. – Deliver food to Inn

MAKING A DIFFERENCE is what the hospitality team is all about from how we welcome each other and guests to offering meals as needed after hospital stays or to comfort those dealing with loss and so much more. Want to find out a little more as you consider being part of this important ministry? Plan to attend an introductory meeting on Monday, December 11 at 6:30 pm. Ellen Avey will serve as team leader. Send any questions to her via text or call 717-860-0072.

Adult Fellowship: An *ALL AGES Nativity-Themed Escape Room* will be held on Saturday, December 16th at 6:00 p.m. We will be inviting the community to join in this event. Please spread the word!

CHILDREN'S HELP NEEDED!

NURSERY: We are looking for people to volunteer in the nursery on Sunday mornings. We are so short-staffed that we will not be able to offer the service to our families, visitors and potential new friends. Please consider if you can assist. Mary can help you with completing your clearances.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER: We are in need of a partner for Jonathan Trivette in the children's classroom. Safe Sanctuary requirement state that two cleared adults are to be present. Please see Terry Berkley if you are interested. Mary can also help with clearances if needed.



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	Assisting in Worship	
	<u>December 10</u>	<u>December 17</u>
Acolyte	Hunter Trivette	Hunter Trivette
Worship Assistant	Ellen Kennedy	Terry Berkley
Ushers	TBD	Tim Berkley
Tech	Jonathan T. / Elyssa H.	Jonathan T. / Elyssa H.
Nursery	Terry B. / Bonnie C.	Gwenelle T. / TBD

OUR MISSION: To make new disciples of Jesus Christ

OUR VISION: To reach out and invite our neighbors to
Encounter God · Grow in Faith · Serve in Christ's Love



ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 10, 2023

Words of Welcome & Parish News

Prelude

Spirit Flame

**** Call to Worship** Psalm 85, including sung response p. 806

**** Opening Prayer** Leader only

**** Hymn**
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" UMH 211

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 40:1-11 p. 653
Leader: *The Word of God for the people of God.*
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Pastoral Prayer

****The Lord's Prayer**

Giving of Our Tithes, Gifts & Offerings

Offertory

**** Our Response**
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

**** Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Children's Chat

**** Hymn**
"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH 196

**** Scripture** Mark 1:1-8 p. 912
Leader: *The Word of God for the people of God.*
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**** Hymn**
"How Great is Our God" W&S 3003

Message
Preparing the Way: Comfort and Hope in the Wilderness

Holy Communion

**** Hymn**
"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" UMH 240

Benediction

Sermon Notes

How is God speaking to you today?

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 a.m.
SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:15 a.m.
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Monday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
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