

Large print bulletin 12-31-2023

WELCOME

Rev. Andrew Wolfe

PRELUDE

Organ-piano duet

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" Redner

The prelude is offered on behalf of the congregation.
Quiet meditations and private prayers are encouraged.

***CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***GREETING**

Rick Hammett

Leader: We have needed the light of Christ.

People: As it shines through our darkest moments.

Leader: We have seen the light of God.

People: As it illuminates the joys and blessings in our lives.

Leader: We have felt the light of the spirit.

People: As it moves and guides us on our path.

***CAROL FAVORITES**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he
ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and
the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the
body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***GLORIA PATRI**

UMH#70

SCRIPTURE

Liturgist: Rick Hammett

Isaiah 43:16-19 page 586

CHILDREN'S TIME

Denisha Louth

PASTORAL PRAYER/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.

OFFERING

Tables are set up at the back of the sanctuary to receive your offering and mission basket donations.

"THIS CHILD WAS BORN FOR YOU WITH ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH"

Fettke

St. James Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY

UMH#95

SERMON: New Year, New You

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Scripture: Nehemiah 1:4-6 page 374

***"IN THE BLEAK MIDWINTER"**

UMH#221

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Worship Committee: Tuesday at 6pm/Choir Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Office: The church office will be closed tomorrow in observance of the New Year's Day holiday.

Wednesday Night Meal: The United Methodist Men will be serving our first meal of the new year. They will be serving up six choices of soups, stews, chili and dessert. The meal service begins at 5:45pm. Today is the deadline to reserve your spot. Please see Mary Lu in the narthex after church to secure your spot.

First Sunday food offering: Next Sunday, we have the opportunity to help fill the Bethlehem Center's food pantry. Please bring nonperishable food items to church with you next week or drop them off outside the church office.

Passion project: As part of a Byrnes High School leadership program, Anne Ramella is working on a passion project to collect supplies for the SC School for the Deaf and Blind academic and residential

departments. She has created an Amazon Wish List:
<https://tinyurl.com/yt6uph2a> or you can contact her directly to contribute.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Jean Allison
Shirley Anderson
Nancy Becker
Barbara Bloom
Lila Cate Childs
Michael Crawley
Sara Gaulden
Julie Gencarelli
Al Hammerbeck
Rena Hamrick
Priscilla & Peter Heer
Lorelei Hightower

Nancy Hughston
Corbin Johnson
Shirley Lupton
Anne Lutz
Larry Mahaffey
Gabriella Oliveira
Bryson Parler
Todd Ramella
Martha Ramsey,
Surgery recovery
George Ricker
Irene Ruskin
Bob Scott

Joyce Scott
Ira Snead
Darlene Stacy
Irene Stone
Mary Stork
Linda Taylor
Ivy & Jude Thomas
Dotty & Jim Tubb
Buddy Weathers
Barbara West
Jenny Woofert

Betty Hughes