

Today



Week Three - The Candle of Joy

The third Candle is the candle of Joy, pink in color it symbolizes our joy at the soon coming of Christ. The third candle reminds us that the only lasting joy to be found in life on earth is through Christ. All other joy is fleeting and does not last.

Reading: Psalm 126:2-3, I Thessalonians 5:16-24

Hymn: #193 O Come All Ye Faithful

Offering Envelopes for the New Year 2016

Available at the Information Desk. *Please sign your name and the number of the booklet in the Purple Binder.* By using the envelopes we are able to send you a statement at the end of the year for your tax purposes. If, you are using the E-Giving system, Offering Envelopes are not necessary.



Embracing the Joy of Church Membership Please join us January 24th, for light refreshments in the small Chapel after service to learn: Why We Do, What We Do, and the Way We Do things at Holden Chapel.



For Your Convenience

How to Begin E-Giving Go to www.holdenchapel.org and click on the E-Giving tab for complete instructions and a tutorial.

Guest Card

If you are new to Holden Chapel we encourage you to fill out our guest card insert so we can welcome you personally and answer any questions you have.

Hearing Assistance

We provide listening aid devices for the hearing impaired. Please inquire at the Information Desk prior to Worship Service to obtain a receiver.

As a courtesy please mute all communication devices

Contact: Holden Chapel 279 Reservoir St. Holden MA 01502 (508) 829-4441 or visit our website at: www.holdenchapel.org

Please Join us During the Week

MONDAY:

9:00-11:00am **Community Play Group** **Preschool Rm.**
Contact Eileen Cunsolo: 508-829-4441 ext. 224

9:30-10:30am **Sweet Hour of Prayer** **Prayer Office**
Contact Elaine McKay: 978-928-3866.

7:30-9:30pm **Young Adult Bible Study** (Ages 18-30)
Contact Pastor Mike: 508-829-4441 ext. 225

TUESDAY:

6:00-7:00am **Men's Bible Study** **Resource Room**
Contact Dan Fleurant: 774-239-3712

9:00-11:30am **Women's Bible Study** **Small Chapel**
Contact Charlotte Waite: 508-829-7711

9:00-11:30am **Men's Comm. Bible Study** **Wel. Center**
Contact John Colby: 508-795-1704

6:30-8:30pm **DivorceCare** **Wel. Center**
Contact Judy Groves: 508-829-4441 ext. 230

WEDNESDAY:

5:30pm **No Dinner will be Served Tonight**

6:00-6:30pm **Caroling, Cocoa & Cookies** **Comm. Rm.**

6:30-8:00pm **Awana** **Small Chapel**
Contact Eileen Cunsolo: 508-829-4441 ext. 224

6:30-8:00pm **Elevate Youth Group** **Youth Center**
Contact Pastor Mike: 508-829-4441 ext. 225

6:30-8:30pm **Griefshare** **Music Rm.**
Contact Sue Streeter: 508-210-0164

7:00-8:00pm **Sweet Hour of Prayer** **Prayer Office**
Contact Elaine McKay: 978-928-3866

THURSDAY:

Precepts Bible Study **Small Chapel**
Will resume January 7th, 2016

FRIDAY:

Office Closed

DISCIPLE TIME LIFE GROUPS WILL RESUME

JANUARY 10TH, 2016

Save The Date

Wednesday, December 16th, Caroling, Cookies and Cocoa

Join us in the Community Room 6:00pm-6:30pm. Please note, No dinner will be served. Elevate and Awana begin at 6:30pm.



Sunday, December 20th, Christmas Caroling

12:30pm at the Holden Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. Come and celebrate our one year anniversary! Everyone is invited to join us. Please meet Bob and Linda Hetu in the Café today if you have any questions.

Sunday, December 20th, 11:30am

Everyone is invited for Birthday Cake, celebrating the Birth of Jesus in the Community Room.



4:30pm Invite your family and friends for an interactive, hands-on, intergenerational, Christmas Eve Service.

Intergenerational Serving Communion Sunday Sign up sheet available at the Information Desk for January 3rd, 2016. Contact Pastor Mike for more information 508-829-4441 ext. 225.

Are you planning to get married in 2016?

Please contact one of our pastors at least six months prior to your date to set up premarital counseling at 508-829-4441.

Audio Ministry We're in need of a couple of persons to join our Audio Team. If you're willing to learn, have a reasonable ear for music, and are dedicated to working with the musicians and pastors, please call Chris Messier at: 508-648-4788 or email: chrismessier@msn.com and let's chat!

Ministry of The Week

Prayer Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry Will meet right after service in the Community Room at the fireplace. Do you like to knit or crochet? Come and Learn more about this ministry today, or contact Daryl Suderley at: 508-829-7615 or Mary Bolivar at 508-882-3740.

Prayer Keepers Sweet Hour of Prayer

Join us as we pray over Prayer concerns from Prayer Cards received on Sundays and throughout the week. Mondays, 9:30am-10:30am and/or Wednesday evenings 7:00-8:00pm in the Prayer Office.

Community Prayer Breakfast December 26th, 9:00am-11:00am.

Join us as we gather in the Community room with other churches for a lovely breakfast and a time of prayer for our community, state, and nation. Contact Prayer Coordinator, Elaine McKay, if you have any questions 978-928-3866.

Today's reading plan: The Joy of Advent: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126; I Thessalonians. 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

Holden Chapel Reading Plan

~To Prepare for Sunday December 20th, Worship Service~

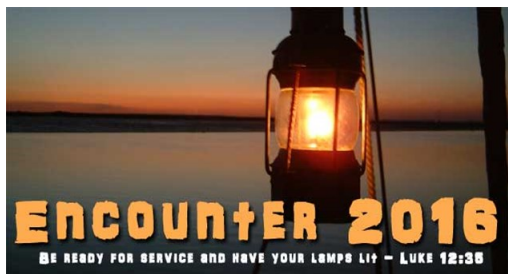
READING PREP for the week of December 14th-20th.

SERMON: December 20th, *The Love of Advent*

- *II Samuel 7: 1-11, 16*
- *Psalm 89:1-4*
- *Romans 16:25-27*
- *Luke 1:26-38*

Today's Question

To access internet log onto: [sanctuary_guest](#).
Password is: **Welcome To The Chapel**
(there is a space between each word)



Youth Group (6th-12th grade)

Winter Weekend Retreat

February 5th-7th, 2016

Location: Monadnock Bible Conference Center in Jaffrey, NH

Cost: \$100 if paid by Jan. 1st, 2016
\$125 if paid by *deadline:* Jan. 31st, 2016

Highlights will include:

- ◆ Indoor Heated Swimming Pool & Game Room
- ◆ XTREME Snow Tubing & "Do it Yourself" Tie-Dye
- ◆ Group Games, Activities & Tournaments
- ◆ Dynamic Biblical Teaching & Group Discussions
- ◆ Christian Band "Road to Damascus"
- ◆ NEW Indoor Mini Golf, Camp Store, Speedball
- ◆ Lots of time to just hang out & have fun with friends

Contact Pastor Mike for registration information and questions: 508-829-4441 ext. 225



December 13th, 2015

Our mission is to glorify Christ Jesus by our giving, growing and going.

Third Sunday of Advent

Prayer Keepers (prayer office)	9:00am
Pre-Service Prayer Sanctuary	9:30am
Songs of Worship	10:00am
Lighting of The Advent Candle Hymn # 193	
Offering / Announcements	
Morning Message	Pastor Tom
Café	11:30am

Children and Youth Programs available for all ages:

10:00 – 11:30 Sunday School:

- Toddler Rm (1-3 yr old), PreK Rm (4-5 yr old)
- **Grades K/1** Downstairs in Kindergarten Room
- **Grades 2-5** Dismissed after Worship songs to Sunday School (approx. 10:30).

Choose How You Will Worship Together 11:30am-12:15pm

- HC Café in Welcome Center
- Prayer Teams/Personal Prayer available in Prayer Room & Altar

The Family Room is available during service for parents of young children. The nursing mothers' room is available for mothers with babies to have a private space to listen and view the service.

Our Altar is a place for responding to the invitation of Jesus during Worship time. Our Elders are available to anoint you with oil and pray for you upon request according to Scripture James 5:14. Prayer teams are also available before and after service to pray with you.