# **Lyttleton Street United Methodist Church**

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# 3rd Sunday of Advent December 14, 2025 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

The paraments are blue, symbolizing the coming of Christ.
\*Please stand as you are able.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carolyn Morris

**PRELUDE** 

Good Christians, All, Rejoice Patty Bellus, organ IN DULCI JUBILO arr. Charles Sergisson

\*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*OPENING HYMN 218 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

CAROL

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Jay & Cindy Cole

**RESPONSE** 

One Candle is Lit

CRADLE SONG

Come, festively sing while awaiting the birth, join angels in dancing from heaven to earth.

Wave banners of good news, lift high thankful praise.

One candle is lit for the joy of these days.

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881: The Apostles' Creed

Carolyn Morris

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.

\*RESPONSE

Gloria

**GLORIA** 

Glo----ri-a, in excelsis Deo! Glo----ri-a, in excelsis Deo!

CHILDREN'S TIME

Laura Gunter

**HOLY CHAOS** 

**CONCERNS AND PRAYERS** 

Carolyn Morris

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Leader: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)

**OFFERING** 

OFFERTORY It Wasn't His Child/Mary Did You Know

Phyllis David, soprano & guitar; Linda Higgins, soprano; Patty Bellus, alto; Don Block, baritone

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE 221 (v. 4)

**CRANHAM** 

In the Bleak Midwinter

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part; yet
What I can I give him; give my heart.

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Bishop Gary Rivas

**HYMN 216** 

Lo, How a Rose

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Trudy Ranges** 

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 1: 39-56 Trudy Ranges

SERMON "Joy in the Waiting" Bishop Gary Rivas

\*CLOSING HYMN 213 Lift Up Your Heads TRURO

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Bishop Gary Rivas

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 206 (v.1) I Want to Walk

**HOUSTON** 

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

POSTLUDE How Great Our Joy traditional German melody
Patty Bellus, organ arr. Dick Torrans

Acolytes: Julia Ann Rushing Lay Reader: Trudy Ranges

Ushers: \*Coke Goodwin, Lou DeFanti, Ed Garrison, Jay Hudson, Greg Younghans

# **In Our Prayers**

Members: Margaret Childs, Mary Clark, Charlotte Evans, Becky Ferguson, Julia Halford, Linda King, Alice Pierce, Paulette Player, Joanne Poe, Judy Smith, Vi Smith, David & Jane Weaver

Military: Hunter Bass, Noah Cheek, Salamnesh Kolb, Ben Watson, Zack Watson,

Michael Williams, Tanner Willson

**Others:** Pete Abene, Jim Anderson, Steve Bradley, Johnny Chavis, Kayela Corbett, Joe Creel, Logan Hunter, Emma Kershaw, Jane Moffett, **Linda Cooper Mundy**, Lisa Osten, Stephen Poe, Liz Smith, Valerie Wagner

#### Our Giving 12/7/2025

Budget	*1,050,000.00
Received	20,284.69
Need YTD	989,408.00
Received YTD	920,419.19
Expense YTD	931,615,05

# **Building Fund 11/30/2025**

Fund Balance 12/8	9,804.68
Bldg. Contributions	3,191.00
Principal paid this week	k 0
Interest paid this week	8,120.10
Loan principal	1,496,000.00
Interest paid to date	217,938.97
Principal paid to date	241,797.80
Current Fund Balance	4,875.58

#### Ways to give

Offering: Contribute during worship.
Text to Give: (803) 274-5588 > Text Amount
Online: lsumc.net > Online Giving > Donate
Mobile Giving: Through the **Shelby Next** mobile app
Mail In: Send your tithe/donation to the church office.
RMD (Req. Min. Distribution): Speak to your broker.



#### **Attendance 12/7/2025**

9:00 a.m. Traditional = 177 11:15 a.m. Contemporary = 111

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#### This Week's Meetings & Events

LSUMC Walkers (M-F): 7-9:30 a.m. & 4-6:00 p.m.

Sun 12/14 Ugly Sweater Day

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

10:15 a.m. Sunday School

11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Gym)

6:00 p.m. Christmas Concert (Sanctuary)

Mon 12/15 6:00 p.m. SPRC

7:00 p.m. Church Council

Tue 12/16 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (Aldersgate)

Wed 12/17 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

11:30 Activity Club Lunch

12:00 p.m. Community Advent Service

(Bethlehem Missionary Baptist, 19 Ward Rd., Lugoff)

5:45 p.m. Bible Study (Bible Explorers Classroom)

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Fri 12/19 1:00 p.m. Painting group

### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

Sun 12/21 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

10:15 a.m. Birthday Party for Jesus

11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Gym)

6:00 p.m. Live Nativity

Mon 12/22- Fri 12/26 Church Office & LLP closed

Wed 12/24 10:00 a.m. Family service

12:00 p.m. Come and Go Communion

5:00 p.m. Traditional service

7:00 p.m. Contemporary service

Thu 12/25 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day service

#### **Christmas Services**

#### **Christmas Eve**

10:00 a.m. Family/Children 12:00 p.m. Communion 5:00 p.m. Traditional 7:00 p.m. Contemporary

**Christmas Day** 

10:00 a.m.

The SPRC is collecting donations for a **Staff Love Offering**. Please specify "Staff Love Offering" on your check or online donation; the collection will be equally divided among pastors and staff. We also encourage you to send notes to specific staff to let them know how much they are appreciated.

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (livestream on Facebook & YouTube) (radio broadcast from 11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on 102.7 FM WPUB)

11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship (livestream on Facebook & YouTube)

Bishop Gary Rivas, Senior Pastor glrivas@umcsc.org









