



## AWAKENING 150

### CONTEMPORARY ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2017

8:30 A.M.

\*PRAISE AND WORSHIP WITH SONG

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING PRAYER

LIGHTING THE THIRD CANDLE

\*PRAISE AND WORSHIP WITH SONGS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERTORY

KIDS' TIME WITH THE PASTOR

SCRIPTURE: Luke 1: 13-20

SERMON: "Unspeakable Joy"

INVITATION TO PRAY AT THE ALTAR

\*CLOSING SONG & LOVE OFFERING

\*SENDING FORTH

\* *Please stand as you are able.*

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## MORAVIAN LOVE FEAST - Tonight

Our Moravian Love Feast is tonight at 6:00pm. Enjoy an evening of traditional Christmas music and singing as well as wonderful fellowship. Remember to invite your friends and neighbors.

### THIS WEEK AT SALEM

#### TODAY

8:30 am

Awakening 150 Service

10:00 am

Sunday School

11:00 am

Worship Service & Christmas Cantata

6:00 pm

Moravian Love Feast

#### MONDAY

6:00 pm

Cub Scouts – Fellowship Hut

#### THURSDAY

6:30 pm

Awakening 150 Practice

6:30 pm

Daisy Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hut

#### SUNDAY

8:30 am

Awakening 150 Service

10:00 am

Sunday School

11:00 am

Worship Service

5:30 pm

Christmas Organ Concert

6:00 pm

Christmas Eve Service

### WORSHIP LEADERS FOR DECEMBER 24

Worship Leader – Richard Rothe

Flowers – Cindy Wyatt

Greeters – Tim & Angie Bennett

Head Usher – John Lowder

Acolytes – Jaquelin & Brissa Ferrer

Children's Sermon – Pastor Steve

Counters – Gwen Hinson & Beverly Johnson

Outdoor Sign – Boyd & Vickie Furr

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LUMINARY PREPARATION

There are several times volunteers would be greatly appreciated to help with the luminary bags.

\*At 3:30 today in the parking lot we will fill the luminary bags with sand and candles and place them along the sidewalks.

\*At 5:30 we will begin lighting the luminaries.

\*After the Love Feast the luminary bags will need to be picked up and placed in the Narthex.

\*At 5:00 next Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, we will set the luminaries on the sidewalk and light them for the Christmas Eve Service.

\*After the service the luminaries will be taken up and disposed of.

Volunteers are needed for any of these times to help make our yard a beautiful Christmas sight.

### **NIGHT CHRISTMAS SERVICE-DECEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>**

Christmas is often a joyful time, but for some it is also a time of loss and grief. Sometimes we may long for a quiet moment in all the holiday hustle and bustle to acknowledge our pain and brokenness. On the longest night of the year, we offer that space for anyone who like to come together for the sake of remembrance and healing. Please join us at **Richfield UMC on December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm.**

### **DAISY GIRL SCOUTS-December 21<sup>st</sup>**

The Millingport Daisy Girl Scout Troop's next meeting in the Fellowship Hut will be Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, from 6:30-7:30 pm. Girls from kindergarten - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to join. Volunteer assistants are needed. Contact BreiAnn Lowder Burleson at 704-794-7221 for more information.

### **CHRISTMAS EVE ORGAN CONCERT & SERVICE**

Lisa Hinson will have a special Christmas Eve organ concert on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. The Christmas Eve Service will follow the Concert at 6:00 pm.

### **NEW YEAR'S DAY LUNCH-JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>**

The Millingport Men's Club will have a traditional New Year's Day lunch from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hut. Please support them and enjoy some good food and wonderful fellowship.

### **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Don't forget to check the mailboxes located in the Educational Building across from the Church Office for your Christmas cards.

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

Salem is in need of volunteers to help with the Children's Sermon during the 11:00 Worship Service. If you would be willing to volunteer for one (or more), please call Phyllis Shoe (704-463-7421) or the Church Office.

### **2018 FLOWER LIST**

Please contact the Church Office if you would like to place flowers in the church in 2018. Several families have special annual dates reserved, and these people will also need to contact the Office to verify the date.

### **ITEMS FOR SALE**

The United Methodist Women are selling flavoring, cards, Salem Church plates and knives. Please stop by the Church Office to see what is available.



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**11:00 A.M.**


PRELUDE: *Shepherds Noel* arr. J. Wayne Kerr  
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES  
CHIMING OF "THE TRINITY" (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit)  
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
PASSING THE PEACE  
CALL TO WORSHIP: *Soon and Very Soon*  
OPENING PRAYER  
LIGHTING THE THIRD CANDLE  
\*HYMN OF PRAISE: *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* #203  
\*ACT OF PRAISE: Psalm 126: 1-3  
*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* (vs 3) #206  
CHILDREN'S SERMON Audrey Rigsbee  
PRAYER CONCERNS & THE LORD'S PRAYER  
GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS  
OFFERTORY: *Infant Holy* arr. T. Doran  
\*DOXOLOGY: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* #95  
SCRIPTURE: Luke 1: 13-20

**CHOIR CANTATA: The First Noel—Celebrating the Birthday of a King**

Arranged by: Russell Mauldin  
*The Birthday of a King Medley*  
*Glory, Glory in the Highest* Carrie Turner, soloist  
*The First Noel* (verses 1-3) Congregation  
*Jesus, Born on This Day* Beverly Johnson, soloist  
*Light of the Stable with Angels We Have Heard on High*  
*In the First Light*  
*Finale – Birthday of a King*  
Narration: Bill Rigsbee  
Accompanist: Lisa Hinson  
Director: Sandy Turner

**INVITATION TO PRAY AT THE ALTAR**

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* #240  
\*CHORAL BENEDICTION: *Emmanuel*  
\*PASTOR'S BENEDICTION  
\*POSTLUDE: *Joy to the World* arr. D. Bish  
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The flowers on the communion table and podiums are given to the glory of God and for your pleasure as we wait during Advent and prepare to celebrate Christ's birth by Karen Almond.

The flower on the table near the Chrismon Tree is given in loving honor of Peggy Wagoner and in loving memory of George Wagoner by their children, Carol, Debara, Terry & George Jr.

## **MEMORIALS**

### ***New Fellowship Building Fund***

In honor of Louise Lowder and in memory of David Lowder by their daughter & husband, Emily & Stan Cornelius

In honor of Boyd & Vickie Furr by Jay & Shelia Creswell

In memory of Ronnie Hatley by Betsy Godwin

In memory of Chris Hatley by Frances McAnally, Calvin & Cedel Lowder, Allen & Jennifer Hatley, Betsy Godwin, Ron & Rita Janey, Jay & Shelia Creswell

In memory of Justice Baucom by Betsy Godwin

## **THANK YOU**

Roger Lowder wishes to thank everyone for all the prayers, calls, food and visits during his recent surgery.

## **TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS**

Worship Leader – Pastor Steve                      Head Usher – John Lowder  
Greeters – Tim & Angie Bennett                      Outdoor Sign – Jaycie Almond  
Acolytes – Mary Herlocker & Bristol Smith  
Children's Church – Beth Plowman & Kristen Herlocker  
Counters – Vickie Hatley & Martha Lowder

## **WE ARE PRAYING FOR:**

Jake Ash, Craig Austin, Dan & Carolyn Baucom, John & Barbara Baucom and all the Justice Baucom family, Rick Bean, Angie Bennett, Eddie Blalock, Meg Bowers, Jerry Crisco, Sarah Dober, Megan Frick, Jim & Pam Furr, Kiner Gibson,

Bud Hatley, Chris Hatley family, Jean Hill family, Dorothy Johnson, Richard Keable family, Betty Jean Kephardt, Rayven Lambert family, Victoria Lambeth, Thomas Lipe, Lavaughn Lowder, Roger Lowder, Ann Martin family, Dean Morgan & family and Ree Phillips.

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