



AWAKENING 150
CONTEMPORARY ORDER OF WORSHIP
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2018
Fourth Sunday in Advent – Sunday of Love
8:30 A.M.

*PRAISE AND WORSHIP WITH SONG

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH – Candle of Love

OPENING PRAYER

*PRAISE AND WORSHIP WITH SONGS

KIDS' TIME

JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE: Luke 2: 8-11

SERMON: **“On the Way to Bethlehem – Angels and Shepherds”**

INVITATION TO PRAY AT THE ALTAR

*CLOSING SONG

*SENDING FORTH

** Please stand as you are able.*

*We are a Safe Sanctuaries Church. Parents/Grandparents, **please** accompany your child to the restroom if he/she needs to leave during worship service. Thank you*

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Worship Leader – Pastor Steve

Greeters – Tim & Angie Bennett

Acolytes – Brissa Ferrer & Nicole Magana

Head Usher – John Lowder

Counters – Vickie Hatley & Martha Lowder

Outdoor Sign – Boyd & Vickie Furr

WE ARE PRAYING FOR:

Suzy Alers, Karen Almond, Paula Almond, Brinn Andrews, Angel Tree kids, Jake & Karen Ash, Emily Austin, Ray Bangle, Jr., Walter Bray, Doug Clark family, Rosa Lee Diggs and Carolyn Dunn.

Jeanette Eudy, Farmers, Tracy Furr, Kimberly Goodman, Tim Harwood, Rev. Don Heafner, Isaiah King's grandfather, Lavaughn Lowder, Frankie Marsh family, Missy Parker, Lee Preslar and Megan Rogers family.

Robert Roland, Alice Rothe, Jo Nell Rowland family, Harpo Ruttman family, George Sellner, Phyllis Shoe family, Ray Shoe, Ann Smith, Marilyn Tucker, Peggy Wagoner, Shaunda Williams, JoAnn Wing and Kathy Yow.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

TODAY

8:30 am

10:00 am

11:00 am

6:00 pm

MONDAY

5:30 pm

6:00 pm

FRIDAY

6:30 pm

SUNDAY

8:30 am

10:00 am

11:00 am

Fourth Sunday in Advent – Sunday of Love

Awakening 150 Service

Sunday School

Worship Service

Children's Christmas Play – Sanctuary

DECEMBER 24

Christmas Organ Concert

Christmas Eve Service

DECEMBER 28

Trustees & Cemetery Committee meeting

DECEMBER 31

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Sunday School

Worship Service

NEW ADDRESS

Frieda Clark, 11039 River Oaks Drive NW, Concord, NC 28027

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY – Tonight

Come enjoy our youth as they present “The New Star” Christmas play today at 6:00 pm. There will be a special surprise actor!

CHRISTMAS EVE ORGAN CONCERT & SERVICE

Lisa Hinson will have a special Christmas Eve organ concert at 5:30 pm on December 24th. The Christmas Eve Service will follow the concert at 6:00 pm.

NEW YEAR'S DAY LUNCH-JANUARY 1st

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.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Salem's Church Office will be closed December 24th-26th for Christmas and January 1st for New Year's Day.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR DECEMBER 30th

Worship Leader – Anne Nance Acolytes –
Greeters – Tim & Angie Bennett Head Usher – John Lowder
Children's Sermon – Pat Winecoff
Counters – Gwen Hinson & Beverly Johnson
Flowers –
Outdoor Sign – Dan & Carolyn Baucom

2019 FLOWER LIST

Please contact the Church Office if you wish to place flowers in the church in 2019. Several families have special annual dates reserved, and these people also need to contact the Office to verify the date.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The mailboxes across from the Church Office are overflowing with Christmas cards. Please check your box.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN ITEMS

Flavoring (\$3) and red and green food coloring (\$5) are available in a box on the bookshelf beside the Church Office. Please give the money to Linda Almond or the Church Office.

Several sizes of kitchen knives are also for sale in the Church Office.

We have 2 copies of The Daily Bible available in the Church Office for \$15 per book. The daily readings are in chronological order.

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CHIMING OF “THE TRINITY” (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit)

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PASSING THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Long Time Ago*

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OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE: *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear* #218

*ACT OF PRAISE: Malachi 6: 6-8
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (vs 1) #206

PRAYER CONCERNS & THE LORD’S PRAYER

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *Sing We Now of Christmas* arr. D. Bish

*DOXOLOGY: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* #95

ANTHEM: *Manger Songs*
Gospel Noel

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SYMPATHY

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Larry Shoe

Beacy Huneycutt would like to thank everyone for the cards and calls. She sure does miss everyone from Salem.

MEMORIALS

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In honor of Sherrill & Denise Smith, Randy & Lisa Almond, Stan & Donna Bowers, Jeff & Lana Bunting and Boyd & Vickie Furr by John & Lynn Lowder

In memory of Phyllis Shoe by Betsy Godwin, Herman Lipe, Sandra Huneycutt, Compassionate Friends Sunday School Class

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