

**ORDER OF WORSHIP
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2017**

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE: *Bethlehem Morning* arr. T. Doran

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Emmanuel*

OPENING PRAYER

LIGHTING ADVENT CANDLES

*HYMN OF PRAISE: *There's a Song in the Air* #249

*ACT OF PRAISE: Psalm 148: 1-4, 13-14
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (vs 3) #240

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor Steve

PRAYER CONCERNS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *Love Came Down at Christmas*

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

ANTHEM: *What Child Is This*

SCRIPTURE: Luke 2: 22 - 40

SERMON: "A Long Time Coming"

INVITATION TO PRAY AT THE ALTAR


*HYMN OF RESPONSE: *Angels from the Realms of Glory* #220

*CHORAL BENEDICTION: *Let Us Now Depart*

*PASTOR'S BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE: *Another Year is Dawning* arr. J. Dixon

* *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 – Sandy Turner

Greeters – Tim & Angie Bennett

Acolytes –

Head Usher – John Lowder

Counters – Tony Lowder & Bill Rigsbee

Outdoor Sign – Dan & Carolyn Baucom

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

TODAY

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

MONDAY JANUARY 1

Church Office Closed

11:00 am-1:00 pm Men's Club New Year's Day Lunch

TUESDAY JANUARY 2

10:30 am 60 Plus Club – Fellowship Hut

THURSDAY JANUARY 4

6:30 pm Daisy Scouts – Fellowship Hut

SUNDAY JANUARY 7

8:30 am Awakening 150 Service

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

4:00 pm Youth Groups meet

MEMORIALS

Operation Christmas Child

In honor of Jeff & Lana Bunting by Jay & Sheila Creswell

WE ARE PRAYING FOR:

Craig Austin, Justice Baucom family, Rick Bean, Eddie Blalock, Bullying victims, Jerry Crisco, Norman Cruise family, Sarah Dober, Dallas Foreman, Megan Frick, Jim & Pam Furr and Jim Garner.

Bud Hatley, Ted Hatley, Dorothy Johnson, Richard Keable family, Betty Jean Kephardt, Victoria Lambeth, Thomas Lipe, Ginger Lowder, Karen Lowder, Lavaughn Lowder, Roger Lowder.

Bethany Mabry, Richard Moore family, Dean Morgan family, Roe Nash, Alice Rothe, JoNell Rowland, Shut-ins, Petey Smith, Danny Thompson, Those who lost loved ones this past year, Bonnie Sue Ward, Kayla Welch's son and Troy Winkleman & wife.

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 tomorrow in the Fellowship Hut. Please support them and enjoy some good food and wonderful fellowship.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR JANUARY 7

Worship Leader – Pastor Steve

Head Usher – Dan Baucom

Greeters –

Acolytes – Peyton & Emerson Plowman

Children's Sermon – Pastor Steve

Children's Church – Beth Plowman & Kristen Herlocker

Communion Servers – Pat Blankenship, Betsy Godwin & Randy Almond

Counters – Gary Hatley & Stan Bowers

Outdoor Sign – Allen & Jennifer Hatley

Flowers – Betty Deisher

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES – January 12th

A form to buy Girl Scout Cookies is on the bulletin board beside the Church Office. Orders and money are due by January 12th and may be given to BreiAnn Lowder or left at the Church Office.

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

Volunteers are needed 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.

NEW FELLOWSHIP BUILDING PLEDGES

Please mark the envelope or check "NFBF Pledge" when paying on the 3-year pledge for the New Fellowship Building.

