



December 16, 2018

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WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

Bear fruits worthy of repentance.

Luke 3:8

Luke 3:7-18

⁷ John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸ Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ⁹ Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

¹⁰ And the crowds asked him, “What then should we do?” ¹¹ In reply he said to them, “Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.” ¹² Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, “Teacher, what should we do?” ¹³ He said to them, “Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.” ¹⁴ Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what should we do?” He said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.”

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸ So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH

Third Sunday of Advent
December 16, 2018

PRELUDE “Christmas Joy” Helman
AMC Handbell Choir

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

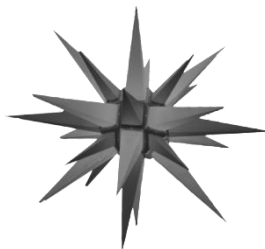
CALL TO WORSHIP “Sing Noel” Carswell & O’Brien

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

WORSHIP IN OUR GIVING

OFFERTORY “Angels We Have Heard On High” Arr. Geschke



“10,000 Reasons”

Chorus: Bless the Lord oh my soul,
Oh my soul; Worship His Holy name.
Sing like never before,
Oh my soul; I'll worship Your Holy name.

The sun comes up, It's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.
(Chorus)

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.
(Chorus)

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years, and then forever more!
(Chorus 2 times)

Worship Your holy name Lord, Lord I'll worship Your holy name.

“How Great Is Our God”

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide,
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

How great is our God. Sing with me; How great is our God.
And all will see how great, how great, is our God.

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

How great is our God. Sing with me; How great is our God.
And all will see how great, how great is our God.

Name above all names, worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing: How great is our God. (repeat)

(Voices only) How great is our God. Sing with me; How great is our
God. And all will see how great, how great is our God.

The Advent Wreath is given to the glory of God in loving memory of Ira Kiger and Rita Kiger by Beth Kiger Mabe.

The White Candles are provided by Ann Barefield in memory of her mother, Ruth Duggins Lee, a longtime member of our congregation.

The lovely poinsettias are placed in the sanctuary this morning to the glory of God:

In Honor of:

Kaye Brookshire

Ann Cranford

Joann Goodson

Janice Irwin

Janice Irwin

Clint and Lisa Redding Saint,

& Richard William Redding III

Her Grandchildren

Our Children

Our Grandchildren

Charlene

Lee

By:

Secret Sister

James, John & Janie Martin

Clive Goodson

Daniel and Catie Irwin

Secret Sister

Leslie Redding

Kay Mansfield

Gerald & Frances Walker

Gerald & Frances Walker

Mom

Mom

In Memory Of:

Joshua Conrad
Jim Cranford
Lindy Johnson
Dr.&Mrs. C. Spurgeon Paschall
Mr.&Mrs. Robert Peery
D.D. Phelps, Jr.
Stella Phelps
Betty Powell
Cotton Powell
Richard and Lillian Redding
& Richard Redding Junior

By:

The Family
James, John & Janie Martin
Priscilla Johnson
Charlie & Betty Paschall
Charlie & Betty Paschall
Tuta Phelps
Tuta Phelps
The Family
The Family

Leslie Redding

Serving Today

Elder Greeter: Alan McFadden **Trustee Greeter:** Peggy Crouse
Elder Greeter for December 23rd: Vic Eckard
Trustee Greeter for December 23rd: Michael Gwyn
Nursery Worker for Today, December 16th: Kaye Brookshire
Nursery Worker for December 23rd: Tracie Marshall

People for Whom We are Praying

Members: Marie Adams; Annie Boyd; Amanda Bowles;
Cindy Culverhouse; Ruth Long; Alice Pierce; Bett Warner;
Connie Wester; Jim Brookshire; Priscilla Johnson; Bob Burton
Home Bound Members: Peggy Gimmon



Friends: Emily Burge; Olive Moore, Cheryl Bain friends of Ruth Long and MaryAlice Adams; Rosemary Stewart; Jake Williams, Donna Williams's son; Judy West, friend of Beth Mabe.

Flowers

If you would like to put flowers in the sanctuary in 2019, please let Pat know. **Dates available: January, February, and March.** Pat can be reached at 336-775-1134 or pabenelson@aol.com

AMC Opportunities for the Week

Sunday, December 16 Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM	Prayer in Prayer Room
9:15 AM	Joyful Voices
9:30 AM	Sunday School
10:30 AM	Worship Service

Wednesday, December 19

*10:00 AM	Cr. #3 Meeting and Lunch at Joann Goodson's Home
5:30 PM	Prayer in Prayer Room
6:00 PM	Family Oasis Supper
6:30 PM	Handbell Rehearsal
6:45 PM	Bible Study
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, December 23 Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM	Prayer in Prayer Room
9:15 AM	Joyful Voices
9:30 AM	Sunday School
10:30 AM	Worship Service

2019 DAILY TEXTS ARE HERE!
Paperback: \$9 / Large Print: \$11
See an usher for your copy.

Members, please pick up your 20-19 Offering Envelopes.
They are located in the Lovefeast Kitchen. Thanks.

On Monday evening, December 3, forty church members and guests (men, women and children) trimmed Lovefeast candles to be given out at the Christmas Eve Lovefeast services.

Officers for Women's Fellowship, 2019-2020, were installed on the same evening:

President Beth Kiger Mabe
Vice President Janice Irwin
Secretary Betsy Annese
Treasurer Joyce Leonard
Chaplin Carol Ann Bowles

December 24 – Lovefeast Services – 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM, 8:00 PM



IMPORTANT MUSIC NOTE:

: Morning Star Singers needed! Please contact Brian Haskell at 336-655-5937 if your child would like to be one of the Morning Star Singers for Christmas Eve. Thanks!

Welcome to Ardmore Moravian Church
“Where Communion and Community Come Together”

We are a Christ-centered fellowship of people bound by love of Jesus and one another. Our greatest hope is that God will be glorified through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We have gathered to worship; celebrating the eternal life won for us by Christ through His death and resurrection as promised in the Bible.

God has created and called us into relationship with Himself (communion) and with one another (community). We need the Lord, and we need each other. As you draw close to God, may you also grow in friendship with those around you. We believe God has gifted people in every age. So our worship is marked by a variety of styles and expressions of music, liturgy, prayer and proclamation. We seek to blend these expressions in a way that pleases God and edifies one another.

The Moravian Church, while unfamiliar to many, is actually one of the oldest Protestant denominations in the world. Our roots and heritage run deep, even one hundred years prior to the Great Reformation. Yet our sense of mission is alive and active *today* as we serve the Lord in ministry together.

Jesus said to His disciples, “...you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.” At Ardmore Moravian we sincerely strive to live that promise. We worship, study the Holy Scriptures, fellowship and grow as Disciples of Christ together here at the corner of Hawthorne and Academy. We ask the Lord then to send us out and employ us for His glory as we share the Gospel - the Good News of Christ - locally, regionally and globally.

If you are searching for a meaningful relationship with God and productive friendships with other people, you’ve come to the right place, “Where Communion and Community Come Together”.



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