

# Order of Worship

*We are blessed when you are!*

December 23, 2018	4th Sunday of Advent	10:30 a.m.
Prelude		William Elliott
<i>The prelude is an invitation to begin to focus our hearts on worship.</i>		
Welcome and Announcements		
*Choral Call to Worship	"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"	Chancel Choir
*Bringing in the Light of Christ		
*Hymn	"Angels from the Realms of Glory"	UMH 220
Psalter	Psalm 80	UMH 801
Response - "Shine on Us"		
Lighting of the Advent Candle		
Dismissal to Children's Church (Pre-K to Grade 5)		
Receiving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings		
Offertory		William Elliott
*Doxology	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	UMH 95
Anthem	"Waiting" (From the Cantata – JOY!)	Chancel Choir
Scripture	John 1:1-12	
Sermon	"Salvation"	Rev. Dr. Jay Ferguson
Invitation to Follow Jesus		
*Hymn	"Joy to the World"	UMH 246
*Dismissal with Blessing		
*Choral Benediction	"Go Tell It On the Mountain"	Chancel Choir
*Taking out the Light of Christ		
*Postlude		William Elliott
*People Stand as Able		

## Prayer Requests

### IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Abby Bailey, 4 yr. old with cancer  
 Jane Baker, Friend of Dean Coon  
 Rhandy Barnett  
 Alice Bone, Marsha Houchins' Sister-in-law  
 Diane Brown, Friend of Sue Young  
 Mike Clark, Liver Cancer—Neighbor of Vera Lee Austin  
 Jared Cregar – Cancer - Friend of Josh Spencer  
 John Frost – Stroke – Danny Frost's Brother  
 Tom Giffen  
 Sue Godwin – Cancer  
 Thelma Halsey  
 Judy Harmon  
 Beth Hayes - Cancer  
 Jerry Hickman  
 Nancy Wilkinson Hodges  
 Brenda Horn, Wife of Rev. Jimmy Horn  
 Al Hutchison  
 Susan Jarrell  
 Barbara Keene  
 Kathy Kennedy  
 Jason Koen  
 Trish McGuire  
 Ann Overby  
 Pepper Sharp  
 Roger Stacy, Family of Ben and Sue Young  
 Penny Witt  
 Charlotte Woolwine, 3 yr. old with cancer

### LONG TERM ILLNESS

Marie **Anderson**, Rudy **Austin** (Vera Lee Austin's Brother), Barbara **Bailey**, Bobbie **Bellamy** (Margaret Elam's Sister), Dennis **Bennett**, (Husband of Rita Bennett), Pauline **Brown**, E. C. **Browning**, Doug **Coon**, Joe **Davidson**, Leon **Devor**, Ethel **Earls**, Syd **Ellison**, Margaret **Farmer**, Russell **Garrett**, Tom **Hodge** (Shelby Clendenen's Brother), Mary **Martin**, Gerrie **Porter**, Wilma **Shay**, Marguerite **Smith**, Roger **Shutt** (Charlie Thomason's Nephew), Nancy **Trenton**, Irma **Webb**

### OUR MILITARY

Ryan Shott  
 Lucas Graham  
 Artem Rich  
 Jeremy Woody  
 Austin Brown  
 All those serving our Country

If you wish to place a name on the prayer list or take off a name, please call the church office.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, December 23

First Light Service	8:30 a.m.
Fellowship in Palmer Hall	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10:30 a.m.

### Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve Service	6:00 p.m.
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### Monday, December 31

Watch Night Service (Ebenezer UMC)	11:30 p.m.
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*I hope that you have shared the lamb ornament already. But if you haven't then use it as a way to invite someone to our Christmas Eve Service. Dress warm because we hope to circle our town Christmas tree and sing "Silent Night."  
Pastor Jay*

#### RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS December 2018

2018 Monthly Budget	\$23,567.00
Monthly Tithes & Offerings to Date	\$15,005.20
Monthly Unbudgeted Receipts to Date	\$ 9,853.00
<b>ATTENDANCE: December 16</b>	
First Light Service	26
Worship, 10:30 a.m.	139
Total Worship	165
Sunday School	55

**2019 CALENDARS** are available in the Narthex.

Compliments of Dudley Funeral Home and Rodriguez Funeral Home  
**UPPER ROOMS** for January/February have been placed at each entrance.

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## *December 23, 2018*

### *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent*



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