

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Second Sunday of Advent, December 8, 2019

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE "Carol of the Bells" **Leontovich**

THE LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE
Jean Young and Family

GOOD NEWS FOR CHILDREN **Carrie Hamilton**

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Children age three and under may go to the nursery

Children age four through 6th grade (2nd floor)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: **And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is PEACE.**

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: **And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is HOPE.**

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: **And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is JOY.**

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: **And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is LOVE.**

Leader: There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in the place.

ALL: **And we know that it's the Spirit of the Lord!**

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
Verses 1, 4, 7 **UMH #211**

SCRIPTURE "Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72; Romans 15:4-13;
Matthew 3:1-12" **Jeanne Murphy**

ANTHEM "In The Stillness" **Purfoy**

THE MESSAGE "Finding Hope in the Desert" **Pastor Paul**

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" **UMH #349**

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY "Sussex Carol"
Traditional English Melody

***THE DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
UMH #95

SENDING FORTH

***THE SENDING HYMN** "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" **UMH #204**

***BENEDICTION** "Go In Peace"

POSTLUDE "Carol Medley"

PRAYER REQUESTS

Dale and Natalie Browning

Jackie Leppelminer

June Perdue

Jackie and Louise Case

Daniel Stewart

Kevin and Angie Austin

Michael Warden and Family

Karen Rose Osborne

Scott Neff

Tina Proctor

Jane Jarrett and Family

Donna Stewart

*These names will be moved to our on-going prayer list after two weeks.

Ministry of Worship

The Ushers: Jim Snyder, Danny Murphy, George Russell, Larry Wolfe, Roy, Spencer and Taylor Fultineer, Bob Judge, Andrew Byrd, Jerry, Wesley, Cody Buckley, Don Barnard and Gary Anderson

Acolytes: Rachel Bostic, Lillian Hamilton, Reagan McLeary and Amaya Young

Christian Education Director: Carrie Hamilton

WOW: Wednesday, Dec. 11

Director of Music: William Holbrook

Administrative Assistant: Linda Nehr
Deadline for submitting items for Sunday Worship bulletin is

Noon on Wednesday.

Custodian: Janice Pauley

Tape Ministry: Gary Good, Ed King and Mike Cidor

Tech Today: Greg Young

Newsletter: Barbara Brown

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Articles due monthly on the 20th

Please remember to sign the registration pad located in the side of the pew.
Please greet our visitors and pass the registration pad to them.

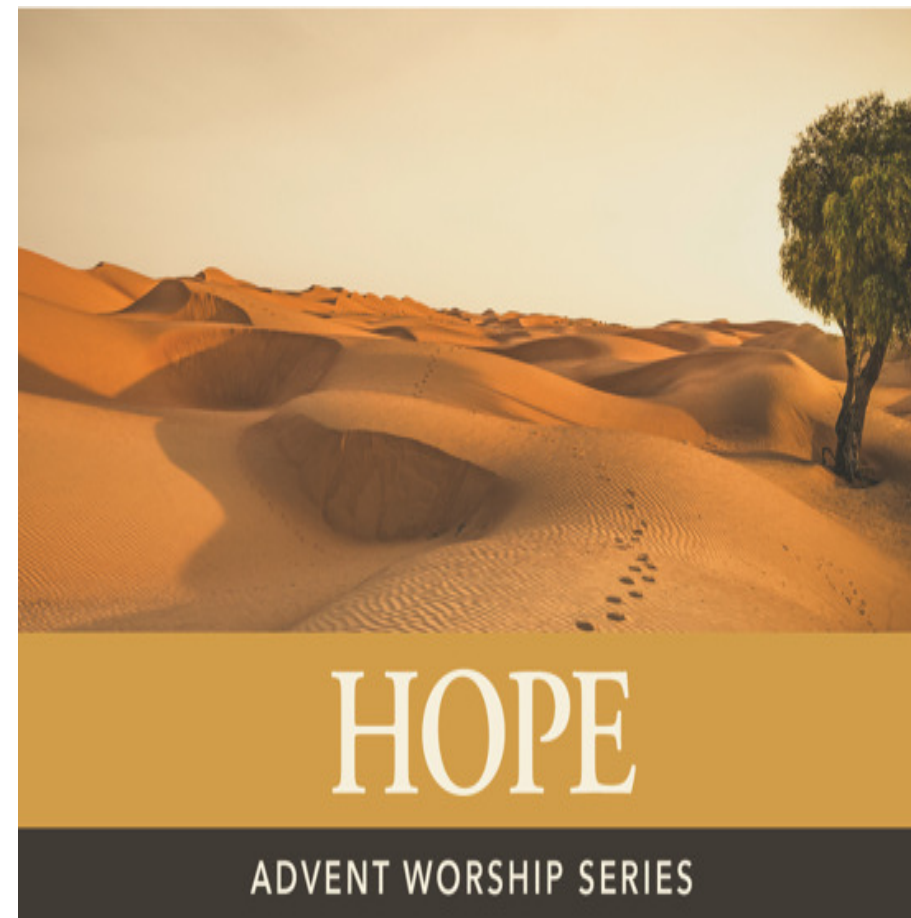
What Is Happening This Week at First Church December 8 through December 15, 2019

SUN:	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship
	5:30 PM	UM Youth in Youth Room
MON:	11:00 AM	Anna King Circle at Karen Johnston's House
	5:00 PM	Zumba in youth room
	5:00 PM	Montrose Musical in Sanctuary
TUES:	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts in Scout Room
	5:00 PM	Zumba
	6:00 PM	TOPS
WED:	6:45 PM	Cub Scouts in Scout Room
	5:30 PM	WOW! for Children in Social Hall
	THUR:	5:00 PM
FRI:	5:00 PM	Montrose Musical in Social Hall
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
		Church Office Closed
SUN:	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11.00 AM	Worship
	5:30 PM	Youth in Youth Room



The Altar Flowers are to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Joe Mayes' 81st birthday, given by his wife, Lil Mayes.

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Morning Worship
December 8, 2019
Pastor Paul Helmick
First United Methodist Church
South Charleston

We will be taking a special offering today for the Christmas Food Baskets.

This special offering will be in lieu of Conscientious Coins.

Caryle Snyder would like to thank the United Methodist Women for honoring her on Sunday, November 24th by presenting her with the Lifetime Membership Award. She feels honored to have been nominated for this award. Caryle received the award for her endless hours of volunteering at Heart + Hand. In addition to those hours, she gives many hours keeping the church grounds so beautiful and the church is truly blessed by her.

Kathy Judge has volunteered to take over the Prayer Ministries. If you have a prayer request, you can email Kathy at corljudge@aol.com or call her cell phone at 304-550-2172. If you would like to receive the prayer requests and your name is not currently on her list, please email Kathy with your contact information.

Poinsettias for Christmas will be placed in the Sanctuary on Sunday, December 22. If you would like to place a Poinsettia in memory or honor of a loved one or friend, **write your request on the registration pad or call the church office by Monday, December 9.** If you leave a note in the collection plate to order a Poinsettia, please let Linda know to make sure the note is received. The cost is \$10 per Poinsettia. **Poinsettias will be ordered on Tuesday, December 10, so payment needs to be received in the church office by Monday, December 9,** as the garden center requires payment at the time the Poinsettias are ordered.

The church is looking to purchase 100 padded folding chairs for Wesley (Fellowship) Hall. You can give a chair in memory or honor of someone.

For a donation of \$25.00 per chair, a gold foil permanent label will be placed on the back of the chair. An example of the chair will be in the church narthex, along with forms for you to complete for each chair you purchase. Turn the forms in to the church office along with your \$25.00.

Our December Newsletter was emailed out this week. If you did not receive it, please contact Barbara Brown at 304-542-6197 or cbpnuts@aol.com. Printed copies are available in the Narthex. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, please give Barbara your email address. If you would like a copy mailed to you, call the church office.

Altar Flowers Open Dates: January 5, 19, February 9, and March 22, 29, 2020. Please call the church office if you would like to place flowers on the altar. The cost is \$30.00.