



For a child will be born to us, a Son given to us; and the government
will rest on His shoulders; and His name will be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace!
~Isaiah 9:6

December 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent



We exist to welcome ALL people by sharing the Love of Christ!

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WELCOME and OPENING PRAYER

Karen Shrode

PASSING OF THE PEACE*PRELUDE**

Gayle Graening

*(As the music begins, we invite you to prayerfully prepare for this time of worship.)***LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

Laura Hayes & Karen Shrode

Leader: When the people of God were taken into exile long ago, they were no longer able to worship together in the temple. They lost the center of their faith. They had to learn to understand that God was with them in a new way.

Congregation: Many people have left their churches and houses of worship, some of them leaving painful memories, some leaving a place that did not feed them spiritually. In this season of Advent, may the Holy Spirit continue to shine in us, so that others may find the light.

Leader: Today we light the candle of LOVE!

*(The second purple candle is lit.)**(Pause for Candle Lighting)*

Congregation: Mighty God, help us to share your love with all of your children, that we may seek and find the lost, so that all may find a home in you. Amen!

HYMN OF PRAISEAngels We Have Heard on High*

UMH 238

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory Be to the Father

UMH 70

MUSICAL OFFERING*He Is Born*

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Carrie Neblett

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kay Brainerd

HYMN OF PREPARATIONEmmanuel, Emmanuel*

UMH 204

***SCRIPTURE**

Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 95:3-7

Rev. Felicia Kumar

SERMON

Mighty God

Rev. Felicia Kumar

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP***HYMN OF COMMITMENT***O Come, All Ye Faithful*

UMH 234

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Felicia Kumar

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Go, Tell It on the Mountain
(v 1 & 2 with refrain)

UMH 251

POSTLUDE

Gayle Graening

WELCOME and OPENING PRAYER

Matt D'Angelo

PASSING OF THE PEACE*LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

Christin, David, Connor, Declan & Connelly Ayre

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***SONGS OF PRAISE**

Go Tell It on the Mountain
The First Noel

Praise Team

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Carrie Neblett

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matt D'Angelo

***MUSICAL OFFERING**

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Praise Team

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Rev. Felicia Kumar

SERMON

Mighty God

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INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**HOLY COMMUNION**

Rev. Felicia Kumar

Communion Servers: Rose and Jack Plause

***SONG OF COMMITMENT**

Great Are You Lord

Praise Team

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Felicia Kumar

BENEDICTION SONG

Praise Team

*Please stand as you are able

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Rehoboth's Prayer Requests

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2

Long-Term

(hospice care or long-term medical treatments, diagnosis or rehab)

Maria Avila-Raspel (J. Miller)	Hanson family	Helena Ludwig	Donna Stephens (J. Miller)
Al Burzo (J. Miller)	Edith Hardy	Michael Mayernick (Dorris)	Sylvia Street (Walker)
Jean Cage	Tom Harned (M. Miller)	John McIntosh	Bobbie Sullins (T. Cage)
Frances Catron (Catron)	Sara Kennedy (B. Miller)	Jackson Murtha (Shumate)	Barbara Vaughn (Walker)

Health Concerns

Matthew Bautula (Lehmann)	Danny Ellis (J. Miller)	Laura Hayes	Keaton Sharpe (Woodrich)
Shan Boone	Jason Erlewine	Russ Holt	Nana Sheradin (Woodrich)
Jack Bradley (Dorris)	Gerald Esmer (Esmer)	Maxine Jones (Jones)	Melissa Slone
Lucretia Brinkley (Ayre)	Adeline Floyd (Calabro)	Ruby Love (Calabro)	Jack Smedley (A. Ayre)
Shasta Brown (Brown)	Diane Gagliardi (Cundiff)	Jan Mapes (Plause)	Pat Thacker (Shumate)
Melvin Burke (A. Mason)	Nancy Garrison (J. Miller)	Ray Mason (A. Mason)	Wilburn Thacker (Shumate)
Phil Byrum	Ernie Grinder	Scott McCarthy (Shumate)	Larry Thompson (Hanson)
Sister Shawn Conrad (Plause)	Elizabeth Hamilton (A. Mason)	Becky Miller	Nick Umbarger (Murphy)
Lynn D'Angelo (D'Angelo)	Chuck Hanes (A. Ayre)	Kent Pepper (Woodrich)	Todd Willbanks (Willbanks)
Kathy Denny (Jones)	Pam Hanes (A. Ayre)	Janet & Bob Plause (Plause)	
Anne Dorris	Jo Hardison (A. Ayre)	Caroline Rudy (A. Ayre)	
Jon Dorris (Dorris)	Jennifer Harrison (Kranz)	Rebecca Savage (Savage)	

Other Concerns

Joseph Chaffins & family (Slone)
Rusty Jackson (Shumate)
Family of Jim Mason

Jun and Roela Rivera
Paul and Hazel Rivera

Individuals will remain on our list for up to 3 weeks. Please contact the church office to resubmit a praise and/or prayer request.
(Names in Bold have been newly added to the list.)



Church Family Christmas Potluck Brunch Sunday, December 17 - 10 am to 11 am

Bring your favorite breakfast or brunch item to share with everyone as we gather and fellowship in celebration of Christmas and the birth of Jesus on **Sunday, December 17**, from **10 am to 11 am** (during the Fellowship Time and Sunday School timeframes). Drinks will be provided by the church, and Sunday School classes will not be held this day.

To assist in planning for this event, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

Hosting Baby Jesus

We have begun Rehoboth's tradition of **Hosting Baby Jesus**...a figurine of Jesus in a manger that travels to a different Rehoboth home each day during Advent. This experience serves as a reminder of the anticipation of Jesus' birth. We invite each family who receives the figurine to reflect upon what the experience of hosting Baby Jesus has meant to them by journaling their reflections, prayers, poems or drawings in the included notebook. And, as part of our Christmas Eve Service, we will share reflections from Jesus' travels through our Rehoboth family. Upon receiving Baby Jesus please:

- ◆ Let the church office know you have received the figurine (615-757-3262 or churchum@gmail.com)
- ◆ Record your experience with Baby Jesus in the journal.
- ◆ If possible, email a photo to the church office at churchum@gmail.com.
- ◆ Pass the figurine on within 24 hours of receiving it.



Blue Christmas Service Thursday, December 21 7:00 pm in the Chapel

If you or someone you know is dealing with the death of a loved one, experiencing a broken relationship, coping with job loss, caring for someone with a terminal illness and/or facing any fearful situations, we invite you to our Blue Christmas worship service on Thursday, December 21, at 7:00 pm in the Chapel.

This service will provide a quiet and reflective time of worship as an alternative to the more traditional gatherings.

Come and join us as we seek hope, healing and wholeness that only comes from our Christ-child born in a manger!

YOUTH CHRISTMAS CARD POST OFFICE FUNDRAISER

If saving money on postage and helping Rehoboth's Youth program is for you, then the Youth would like to help deliver your Christmas Cards to Rehoboth UMC Parishioners

Now through Sunday (December 17), you may bring your cards to the Fellowship Hall for delivery. Please be sure to only include cards for parishioners of Rehoboth.

The Youth just ask for a small donation.



Christmas Treats for Fellowship Time

It's that time of the year where we are asking that you share your favorite Christmas cookie or Christmas delight with our congregation during Fellowship time. You may bring your treats to church before the Sunday service through December 17. If you have questions, please contact Bob Green at 615-482-4150.

Week of December 10, 2023

Today:

- 8:30 am Chancel Choir
- 9:00 am Traditional Worship Service
- 10:00 am Fellowship Time
- 10:30 am Sunday School
- 11:15 am Contemporary Worship Service

Monday:

- 7:00 pm Heaven & Earth Study (via Zoom)

Tuesday:

- 1:00 pm Heaven & Earth Study (Library)

Wednesday:

- 7:45 am Men's Breakfast at Panera
- 10:00 am Card Fellowship Group (Library)
- 1:00 pm Heaven & Earth Study (Library)
- 6:00 pm Children's Group
- 6:00 pm Youth Group
- 6:15 pm Chancel Choir
- 7:15 pm Hand Chimes



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