December 7, 2025

2nd Sunday of Advent

Rehoboth
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Gallatin, Tennessee

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

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10:15 am Service **2nd Sunday of Advent** **December 7, 2025**

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS		Bob Green
***PASSING OF THE PEACE**		
OPENING PRAYER		Bob Green
PRELUDE	*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent*	Gayle Graening
***OPENING HYMN**	*Angels We Have Heard on High*	UMH 238
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE		Kat Prince, Chris, Thomas and Francis George

Leader: Our Advent Wreath reminds us of the approaching celebration of Jesus' birth. The evergreen leaves remind us that God's love is everlasting. The round wreath symbolizes God's eternal love. The light of the candles stands for the light which Jesus brought into a dark world. Today we relight the candle of HOPE. And light the candle for the second Sunday of Advent, the candle of PEACE. As we prepare for the coming of Jesus, we remember that Jesus is our hope and our peace. May we hear the words of the prophet Isaiah from Isaiah chapter 9 verses 6 and 7, "For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

All: Gracious God, grant that we may find peace as we prepare for our Lord's birth. May divisions in ourselves, in our families, our nation and around the world be peacefully resolved. May there be peace in our cities and in the countries of our world. Help us to see the paths of peace in our lives and then give us the courage to follow them. Lord, let us remember that you only are the giver of lasting peace and that you are always with us. Amen!

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON	UMH 12	Rev. Felicia Kumar
SONGS OF REFLECTION	*Glory (Let There Be Peace)*	Praise Team
	I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day	
***SCRIPTURE READING**	Micah 5:2-5a	Rev. Felicia Kumar
WITNESS TO THE WORD	The Gift of Peace	Rev. Felicia Kumar
OFFERTORY		
MUSICAL OFFERING	A Christmas Proclamation	Chancel Choir
RECEIVING OF GOD'S TITHES and OUR OFFERING		
***DOXOLOGY**		UMH 94
CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION		Rev. Felicia Kumar
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER		Bob Green
***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**	*Angels from the Realms of Glory*	UMH 220
***BENEDICTION**		Rev. Felicia Kumar
***POSTLUDE**		Gayle Graening

(Please remain standing as the Acolyte brings the Light of Christ.)

*Please stand as you are able

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Weekly Monday Morning
Virtual Guided Prayer Session
6:30 am via Zoom or Telephone

For Zoom Link and/or Telephone Number, please contact Pastor Felicia or the Church Office.

Come and be a part of Prayer Time Wednesdays at 9:30 am in the Chapel.

The trip to "Christmas at Beersheba" on Monday, December 8, 2025, will not be proceeding as previously scheduled.

We look forward to the possibility of scheduling a trip to Beersheba Springs Assembly next year.

Lunch at
Demos Restaurant
(161 Indian Lake Blvd., Hendersonville)
Tuesday, December 9

Meeting at the restaurant at 11:00 am
If you need a ride, please contact
Norm Kranz (615-400-5767)
Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

Card Creation & Fellowship
Join with others to create greeting cards
Wednesday, December 10
10:00 am - RUMC Library

Please remember to complete the attendance sheet located in the pew card holders, and drop it in the offering plate. Thank you.

Join Us in the Gallatin Christmas Parade

Rehoboth UMC will be joining the Gallatin Christmas Parade on **Saturday, December 13, at noon**.

If you are interested in participating, please meet in the Fellowship Hall following the service today for a brief instructional meeting.

Hosting Baby Jesus

Through Monday, December 22, Rehoboth families will have the opportunity to **Host Baby Jesus** in their home. This figurine of Jesus in a manger serves as a reminder of the anticipation of Jesus' birth and, hopefully, gives a deeper awareness of Christ in the Christmas Season.

Congregation members interested in hosting Baby Jesus for a 24-hour time frame, are asked to contact the church office to schedule a time to pick up the figurine. We encourage 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, as well as invite participants to share photos via email with the church office. Once your overnight experience with Hosting Baby Jesus is complete, simply return the box containing the figurine to the church office.

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)

Linda Busby (Grinder)
Jean Cage
Lindsay Dina (Hasch)
Edith Hardy
Sara Kennedy (B. Miller)
Helena Ludwig
Michael Mayernick (Dorris)
Sylvia McGinty (Hart)
Jackson Murtha (Shumate)
Richard Powell (Ludwig)
Jack Schlenker (Hanson)
Candy Smith (Hart)
Elijah Sturdivant (Shumate)
Betty Warren (T. Cage)
Richard Warren (T. Cage)
Betty Woods (Woods)

Health Concerns

A. J. (Grinder)
Ann Love Ayre
Shirley Barbee (McGuiere)
Jack Bradley (Dorris)
Pam Broeckelmann
Phil Byrum
Phyllis Campbell (Roberts)
Brayden Cook (L. Mason)
Lynn D'Angelo (D'Angelo)
Ava Dickey (Ayre)
Jon Dorris (Dorris)
Christy Elrod-Church (Shumate)
Robert Esmer (Esmer)
Amanda Garner (Mott)
Chuck Hanes (A. Ayre)
Pam Hanes (A. Ayre)
Lisa Hanson
Betty Hayes (T. Cage)
Stormie Hill
Mike Jones (Aldridge)
Pat Lincoln
Gina Mascio (Esmer)
Maureen McLean (Roberts)
Denis McNeal (D'Angelo)
Josh Patterson (Shumate)
Larry Pippin (Woodrich)
Roela Rivera
Bill Ross
Cathy Rupley (Blinder)
Shannon Sisseck (Mott)
Dale Sloan
Barbara Smith
Tim Taylor (Grinder)
Glen Thomason (Woodrich)

Other Concerns

Hunter Anderson (Grinder)
Family of Pam Espey
Hanson Family
Family of Janet Picken (Kumar)

Sympathy To

Kay Brainerd and family in the passing of Kay's nephew Brad Kroeze
Rick Sims and family in the passing of Rick's sister Margrett Morton

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.)

Gallatin Shalom Zone Last-Minute Toy Store

TOYS FOR TOTS Toy Collection

to benefit Sumner County Children and Teens

We will collect **new, unwrapped** toys and items for children and teens of Sumner County **thru December 12**.

The Most Needed Items Are:

Arts and Crafts
Balls and Sports Items
Blankets and Throws
Books and Board Games
Teen Gifts

Donations may be placed in the collection box in Fellowship Hall.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

Love Transcending

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Featuring members of the Chancel Choir and Praise Team

Christmas Card Post Office Youth 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. ***You may bring your cards to the Fellowship Hall for delivery through Sunday, December 21.***

Please be sure to only include cards for current Rehoboth UMC attendees and shut-ins.

The Youth just ask for a small donation in return.

Blue Christmas

SERVICE at 1:00 PM

REHOBOTH UMC CHAPEL

Sunday, December 21, 2025

Our Blue Christmas Service will provide a quiet and contemplative time of worship as an alternative to the more traditional gatherings to those who are dealing with the death of a loved one, a broken relationship, coping with the loss of a job, living with, or caring for someone with an ongoing illness and/or experiencing any other form of brokenness or situation.

If you, or someone you know, is going through a difficult time in their life and is in need of love, support, encouragement, and prayer, please join us in a unique worship service and experience the hope, love, joy, and peace that only our Lord Jesus can give us!

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 21**, after the worship service.

Christmas Treats During Fellowship Time

It's that time of the year where we are asking that you share your favorite Christmas cookie or Christmas treat with our congregation during Fellowship time **through Sunday, December 21.** If you have questions, please contact Bob Green at 615-482-4150.

Week of December 7, 2025

Today:
8:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
9:00 am Sunday School
9:45 am Fellowship Time (FH)
10:15 am Worship Service (Sanc)
11:30 am SPRT (Library)

Monday:
6:30 am Virtual Prayer Session (via Zoom)

Tuesday:
11:00am Young at Heart Lunch at Demos
6:30 pm Advent Bible Study (FH)

Wednesday:
7:45 am Men's Breakfast at Panera
9:30 am Prayer Time in the Chapel
10:00 am Card Fellowship Group (Library)
10:30 am Advent Bible Study (FH)
6:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday:
10:00 am Cantata Choir Rehearsal
12 noon Gallatin Christmas Parade

Birthdays

Dec 8 Bob Green

Birthday Blessings

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Rehoboth UMC Financial Position

Nov. 2025

	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2025	Oct 2025	Nov 2025	Total
Total Funds Received	$ 20,968	$ 24,780	$ 21,910	$ 31,463	$ 28,542	$ 39,856	$ 25,102	$ 24,319	$ 15,750	$ 24,017	$ 23,980	$280,687
Less: Total Expenses	27,078	22,075	21,979	28,826	21,617	22,924	25,794	22,229	23,043	27,041	20,561	263,167
Profit or (Loss)	$ (6,110)	$ 2,705	$ (69)	$ 2,637	$ 6,925	$ 16,932	$ (692)	$ 2,090	$ (7,293)	$ (3,024)	$ 3,419	$ 17,520

	Jan 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jul 2024	Aug 2024	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Total
Total Funds Received	$ 19,051	$ 22,287	$ 31,850	$ 34,321	$ 28,505	$ 24,378	$ 34,089	$ 21,930	$ 25,083	$ 24,422	$ 19,389	$285,306
Less: Total Expenses	33,592	32,375	29,424	33,386	25,458	25,624	33,925	21,316	20,257	30,118	20,385	305,861
Profit or (Loss)	$(14,541)	$(10,088)	$ 2,426	$ 934	$ 3,047	$ (1,246)	$ 163	$ 614	$ 4,826	$ (5,696)	$ (996)	$ (20,555)

Cash on Hand	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2025	Oct 2025	Nov 2025
Operating Checking Account	$ 74,919	$ 77,502	$ 77,281	$ 79,939	$ 86,854	$ 103,724	$ 105,449	$ 105,130	$ 97,819	$ 94,967	$ 97,455
Less: Restricted Accounts	6,545	6,423	6,271	6,292	6,283	6,221	8,638	6,229	6,210	6,381	5,451
Available Operating Funds	$ 68,374	$ 71,079	$ 71,010	$ 73,647	$ 80,571	$ 97,503	$ 96,811	$ 98,901	$ 91,609	$ 88,585	$ 92,004

Thank you for your continued donations.

You may make donations to Rehoboth UMC

in person
by dropping it in the offering plate

by dropping your check in our Locking Door Drop Box
located in the church office door.

through Online Giving
or
through Text Message
to 844-325-8129

Electronic Giving is Available to Assist with Your Donations

Rehoboth UMC offers an Online Electronic Giving option to make one-time gifts or set up recurring donations. Donations may be made through credit card, debit card or checking account withdrawals.

If you would like to use this convenient and secure option, you may sign up via the Online Giving tab at the top of our church website www.welcometorehoboth.com or use the QR code shown here to access our giving site. You may also download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app for free at the Apple App Store or Google Play. Once loaded, open the Vanco Mobile app and search for Rehoboth UMC.

We also offer text giving via our GivePlus Text number of 844-325-8129. Simply text the amount you wish to donate, then press send. First-time users will receive a registration link to enter contact and payment information. Previously registered GivePlus Text users may simply send a text with the amount they wish to give, and processing will be automatic.

If you have questions regarding utilizing any of these electronic giving options, please feel free to contact the church office at (615) 757-3262 or churchum@gmail.com.

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