

## Opportunities to Worship, Learn and Serve

**Today:** You are invited to join us after church to decorate the tree and set up the nativity scene.

### Wednesday, December 6

Pineview Rest Home worship, come and join us bring some holiday spirit to our elderly neighbors. We will be there at 10am, hope you can join us.

**Choir Rehearsal** on Wednesday December 6 at 7p.m.

### Angel Tree

Friendly reminder all gifts are due by Dec. 10

### UMW

This month the UMW will meet on December 19 at 7:30p.m. at Susan Moseley's home. The program is Christmas/Incarnation: The Sacred Space of God with us/in us presented by Barbara Callis, all women are invited to join us!

### Message from MeriAgnes Dalton:

"Thank you so much for the care package! So sweet of everyone to sign the card, it really means a lot!"

### Serving Next Week, December 10

Greeters - Wanda & Jimmy Chumney

Acolyte - Carter Gee

Nursery - Shirley Hite, Lori McDaniel, Sara Hite

Worship Leader - Dawn Bacon

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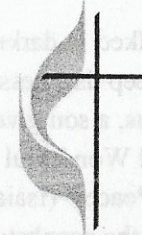
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# ANTIOCH

## United Methodist Church



*Loving God*

*Loving People*

*It's What We Do*

December 3, 2017

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

### Serving Today

Acolyte - Reed Hite

Worship Leader - Shirley Hite

Nursery Team - Chris & Jenna Bacon

Greeters - Katy & Josh Overby

Rev. Sharma Lewis, Richmond Area Bishop

Rev. Bob Parks, Farmville District Superintendent

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## PRAYER LIST

Allen Reid	Martha G. White
Angela Walton	Mary Mills
Ashby Murray	May West
Bereaved and grieving families	Military away from families
Bernard and Polly Carnes	Mrs. Hancock
Betty Thompson	Nannie Sue Dawson
Carolyn West	Pastor Eddie & Katie
Carrie Hostetter	Roger Reese
Christine Ancell	Roger Tanner
D. C. Keeter	Sheryl Burgay
Destiny Hostetter	Thelma Fallen
Diane Bacon	Tom Tanner
Dorothy Driskill	Unspoken
Family of Lealon Vassar	Wendy Ripberger
Family of Ray Wallace	Will Lewis
Frances Bacon	William and Kim Bacon
Gary Newcomb	Zach Ripberger
Gene Evans	
Georgia Lewis	
Hosa Allen	
Jack Ancell	
Jean Keeling	
Jennifer Ledbetter	
Jerry and Peggy Davidson	
Joe Coleman	
Johnny Eastwood	
Kathy McHenry	
Keith Purvis	
Kelly and Joel Meeks	
Kelly Moseley	
Lunenburg Charge	
Lydia, Mike, Natalie Pearson	
Mae Overby	



## GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Today is the start of Advent, let us wait in hope.

### Choir Special

\*The Gathering

#### First Sunday in Advent

**Reader:** "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness -- on them light has shined... 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." (Isaiah 9:2, 6)

**Reader:** Today we remember the prophets of old, who demanded to be heard, who dared to speak of a child to come, unexpected liberator of the people, vulnerable incarnation of the Holiest of Holies, a new name for God.

**People:** Today we give thanks for the prophets among us, who bring to us surprising new visions of hope, who challenge us to think outside the box, who show us a future we never anticipated.

**Reader:** On this first Sunday of Advent, we light this candle as a symbol of the prophets who renew our faith and remind us of what may be.

*(Light a purple candle.)*

\*Song of Praise

*My Hope is Built*

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\*Prayer for Christ's Presence

**O God, we thank you that Jesus brought hope into our world. By the Good News of the Bible you are still bringing hope to people. Help us to be ready to welcome Jesus Christ so that we may be a people of hope in your world, Amen.**

## THE MESSAGE

Children's Time

**Chrismon Tree**

Old Testament Lesson

**Isaiah 64:1-9**

The Message

**Waiting in Expectation**

## THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

\*Song of Grace

*There's Something About that Name* # 171

\*The Invitation

\*Prayer of Confession and Pardon

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Moment of Gratitude

Giving Our Gifts for Kingdom Building

\*Praising God

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### Choir Special

The Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

Giving the Bread and Cup

## SENDING INTO THE WORLD

\*Sending Song

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

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\*Blessing