

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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† **HYMN OF DISCIPLESHP** “Just as I Am, Without One Plea” #357 UMH
(You are invited to pray at the Communion railing.)

† **CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

† **BENEDICTION**

† **CHORAL BENEDICTION**

† **POSTLUDE** “From Heaven Above to Earth I Come”/M. Burkhardt Nan Leggett, Organist

† Please stand if you are able.

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the glory of God, and
in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hobbs and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Hobbs,
by Sharonne Dutton, and Sabra Allen.*

<u>SERVING THIS MORNING</u>	
Greeters:	Tom Leggett, Brien Inman, and Rob Conway
Altar Committee:	Elizabeth Gibson, Celia Lynch, Margie Rabon, Kathy Simmons, Sandy Turner, and Gina Deans
Soundboard:	Lynne Inman
Music Director:	L. A. Cothorn
Organist:	Nan Leggett
Pianist:	Geneva Ashley
Acolyte:	Grace High

WHITEVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Second Sunday of Advent
December 6, 2020



Mission Statement of Whiteville United Methodist Church
As people of the body of Christ, we will gather for and be strengthened by
Word and Sacraments, participate in loving fellowship, grow in discipleship,
and serve our community and the world in Christ’s name.

Welcome to Whiteville United Methodist Church

Thank you for worshiping with us today! We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our worship, program, and ministry life here at Whiteville. We hope the worship will inspire and comfort you as we hear God's message proclaimed. During this time, now more than ever, may the grace and love of Christ surround you.

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SERVICE OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please use a microphone.)

Brien Inman

PRELUDE "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"/setting by R. Lau Nan Leggett, Organist (Entering the sanctuary and preparing for worship, you are invited to discover the theme of today's service by reading through this order of worship. Also, please pray for those on the prayer list and for all persecuted people around the world.)

Nursery care is available on request; please ask Suzanne Hall or Lynne Inman.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

Grace High

(Symbolizing the presence of the Spirit of the Lord in our service.)

GREETING

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Sauls Family

✠ **RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: Lift up your voice. Lift it up, do not fear.

People: Feeding, gathering, carrying, leading: This is how God will come.

Pastor: The old will pass away. A new world will dawn.

People: Love, faithfulness, righteousness, peace: These will mark God's new day.

Pastor: Love needs a path. Peace needs a highway.

People: Even as we wait, let us make a way for God: In our hearts and in our world.

All: Let us worship God.

✠ **HYMN OF PRAISE**

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

#211 UMH

✠ **UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

God, we are confident you are coming, bringing a world where all will be made right. Calm our anxiety, strengthen our patience, and keep our hope aflame, as we work towards, and wait for, your new day. Amen.

✠ **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

✠ **GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND RESPONSE

Pastor: God is patient. Think of this as salvation.

People: God speaks peace. All will be made well.

RECEIVING NEW MEMBER, Karen Cope Dawsey

PASTORAL CONCERNS AND PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"/arr. Mark Hayes

L. A. Cothorn, Baritone

Nan Leggett, Piano

✠ **PRESENTING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD** ("Praise God") #95 UMH

✠ **HYMN OF PREPARATION**

"I Love You, Lord"

#2068 TFWS

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:1-8

SERMON

"Shout to the Lord"

Rev. Terry Hunt

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
and order all things far and nigh;
to us the path of knowledge show
and cause us in her ways to go.

Refrain

3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times once gave the law
in cloud and majesty and awe.

Refrain

4. O come, thou Root of Jesse's tree,
an ensign of thy people be;
before thee rulers silent fall;
all peoples on thy mercy call.

Refrain

I LOVE YOU, LORD

I love you, Lord
and I lift my voice
To worship You
oh, my soul, rejoice
Take joy my King
in what You hear
Let it be a sweet, sweet sound
in Your ear

JUST AS I AM

1. Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
2. Just as I am, and waiting not
to rid my soul of one dark blot,
to thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
3. Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
4. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
5. Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
6. Just as I am, thy love unknown
hath broken every barrier down;
now, to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Whiteville United Methodist Church on this Second Sunday of Advent. Visitors, please complete a Visitor's Card, which can be found in a pew rack, and place it in the offertory basket in the Narthex. Thank you.

To ensure the health and safety of our church family, an advisory team, that includes healthcare professionals, has been assembled to develop guidelines for re-gathering who will also implement and monitor these guidelines.

Twice per week our sanctuary is sanitized. This includes wiping down pews, doors, knobs, and handles, and hymnals. Our air conditioning system filters are being replaced frequently to help purify the air quality in the Worship space. Some pews are roped off to allow for social distancing. Masks are available in the Narthex as well as hand sanitizer at all entrances. In addition, an offertory basket will be in the Narthex each Sunday morning to place your contributions in as you enter the Sanctuary, eliminating the passing of offering plates. Also, the microphone used for announcements will be sanitized between each person using it.

Drive-thru Holy Communion will be offered after today's Worship Service from 11:30 a.m. until 12 noon (first Sunday of each month), at the half-circle driveway in front of the Church Office for those who are not yet comfortable attending church services in person.

The United Methodist Women will meet tomorrow, Monday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Florence Marlowe has the program.

Holy Communion will be celebrated and followed by a 30 minute Bible Study on "Because of Bethlehem", by Max Lucado on Wednesday, December 9, at 6:00 p.m.

The Handbell Choir will rehearse on Wednesday, December 9 at 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee will meet on Thursday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

This Service of Worship is broadcast on WTXY 1540 AM and 103.9 FM from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. Also it is available online at www.Kool1039radio.com Click on the "Web Audio Player" applet and go to <https://lynx.prostreaming.net:2199/start/unitedmethodist/> and click on the Web Audio Player applet. For either choice, you may need to enable Adobe Flash. There is also a link to the radio station on our church webpage www.whiteville.org. Click on "Stream Live Service Sundays at 10:00 a.m." Also, you may go to YouTube and search for WUMC to see a video that will show a thumbnail image when we are live streaming.

Prayer Concerns: The family of Jean Cope Sexton (Karen Dawsey's aunt), Lewellyn David, Marty Ward, Michael Brandwein, Brenda Branson, Herb Hoback, the family of Greg Worthington, the family of Cindy Stanley (Vickie Sasser's cousin), Betty and Gary Faircloth, Jane Bullard, Shelia Lanier, Jimmy and Nancy Oakley, and Bill and Sara Brooks.

Adult Sunday School: Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m.

Children's Sunday School (ages 3-12): Upstairs classroom at 9:00 a.m.

Christians Under Construction Sunday School: Via Zoom at 9:00 a.m. (Receive a link to join by emailing Carolyn Hankins at carolynjhankins@msn.com)

Boy Scouts: Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Choir Rehearsals: Chancel Choir/Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Temporarily canceled.

Handbells/Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Cub Scouts: Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Fifty-Plus Exercise Class: Canceled due to Covid 19.

Prayer Requests: Via email to Kathy Graham at wumc@whitevilleumc.org.

Sunshine Circle: Third Mondays at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Canceled due to Covid 19.

United Methodist Men: Canceled due to Covid 19.

United Methodist Women: First Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in the Parlor.

United Methodist Youth Fellowship: Canceled due to Covid 19.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study/Holy Communion Service: Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

WOW Meal: Occasional Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

2020 Church Budget	\$309,207.00
As of 11/29, Needed	\$279,462.00
As of 11/29, Received	\$244,432.49
Needed Each Sunday	\$5,946.00
Received on 11/29	\$3,927.00
Attendance 11/29	58

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