

West Bend United Methodist Church
Order of Worship
Sunday, December 19, 2021
4th Sunday in Advent

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Handbells

*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (UMH 211, verse 4)

*OPENING PRAYER

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

(In Unison)

*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 who 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.*

*HYMNS OF PRAISE

O Come All Ye Faithful (UMH 234)
Away In A Manger (UMH 217)

*A CHRISTMAS CREED

(In Unison)

*I believe in Jesus Christ and in the beauty of the gospel begun
in Bethlehem. I believe in the one whose spirit glorified a
little town; and whose spirit still brings music to persons all
over the world, in towns both large and small. I believe in the
one for whom the crowded inn could find no room, and I
confess that my heart still sometimes wants to exclude Christ
from my life today. I believe in the one who the rulers of the
earth ignored and the proud could never understand; whose
life was among common people, whose welcome came from
persons of hungry heart. I believe in the one who proclaimed
the love of God to be invincible: I believe in the one whose
cradle was a mother's arms, whose modest home in Nazareth
had love for its only wealth, who looked at persons and made
them see what God's love saw in them, who by love brought
sinners back to purity, and lifted human weakness up to meet
the strength of God. I confess my ever-lasting need of God:
The need of forgiveness for our selfishness and greed, the
need of new life for empty souls, the need of love for hearts*

*grown cold. I believe in God who gives us the best of
himself. I believe in Jesus, the son of the living God, born in
Bethlehem, for me and for the world.*

(accessed from: <http://www.prayer-and-prayers.info/christmas-prayers/a-christmas-creed.htm>)

*THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Who Is He In Yonder Stall (UMH 190 verse 4)

SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 30:15-22

¹⁵ *This is what the Sovereign LORD, the Holy One of Israel,
says: 'In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness
and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it.*

¹⁶ *You said, "No, we will flee on horses." Therefore you will
flee! You said, "We will ride off on swift horses." Therefore
your pursuers will be swift! ¹⁷ A thousand will flee at the
threat of one; at the threat of five you will all flee away, till
you are left like a flagstaff on a mountaintop, like a banner
on a hill. ¹⁸ Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to
you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion. For
the LORD is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for
him! ¹⁹ People of Zion, who live in Jerusalem, you will weep
no more. How gracious he will be when you cry for help! As
soon as he hears, he will answer you.*

Luke 5:31-32 ³¹ *Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy
who need a doctor, but the sick. ³² I have not come to call
the righteous, but sinners to repentance."*

ANTHEM

Hark The Herald Angels Sing
In The Bleak Midwinter
O Come All Ye Faithful

Handbells

SERMON

The Rest of Repentance
Series: Why He Came

Rev. Kari L. Howard

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

Joy To The World (UMH 246)

*THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

*RECESSIONAL Joy To The World

Handbells

*Please stand as you are able

*Please place your offerings/tithes in the offerings and
tithes box on your way out. Thank you for your gifts.*

Join us this evening for the Cantata at 5 PM!

Message Notes:



The damage from these storms has been extensive & United Methodist Churches in these areas are already responding to the many needs of their communities as search and rescue continues and recovery efforts will soon begin.

One of our greatest assets and privileges as United Methodists is to know we are not alone in our ministries but are part of a greater connection. While conferences in the hardest-hit areas will work directly with UMCOR and established relief agencies like FEMA and the Red Cross, conferences in other states are raising funds to support these efforts.

Funds collected through this weekend's special offering will be presented as a gift from the Western North Carolina Conference to the affected conferences in the Southeastern Jurisdiction to aid the disaster response endeavors in their communities. It is our prayer that those impacted by these catastrophic storms will be blessed by the generosity, prayers, and support of our connection through the Western North Carolina Conference.

Individuals are encouraged to donate to this special offering through their churches. Please give above and beyond your regular tithes TODAY. Mark your envelope under special for Tornado Relief. Thank you.

Prayer List

Our Church Family

Bruce Burrow Susann Camp
 Thurman Coltrane Harry Cooper
 Jane Cox Peggy Foust
 Paul Foust Harold Hill
 Liz Johnson Dave McGowan
 Lovier Stephens Betty Sykes

Our Family & Friends

Lynn Cash (Pastor Kari's friend)
 Karen Davis (Doris Davidson's daughter)
 Elaine Freeman (Donna Robbins' mother)
 Vicki Freeman (Horace Lewallen's daughter)
 Rev. Billy Hunter
 Sig McCain (Kerri Beth's grandmother)
 Roger Sykes (Betty Sykes' son)
 Angie Toomes (Dare Campbell's daughter)

Assisted & Skilled Living Residents

*=Church Member

Alpine

*Juanita Porche
 Clapp's
 Coline Blake (Debbie Kinney's mother)
 *Daffie Branson
 Cross Roads
 Marie Caldwell (Carol Petty's sister)

Christian Sympathy to

- Lib Howell's family
- Sue Voncannon's family
- Toni Welch in the death of her brother, Bennie Todd Asbill and her mother, Margie Asbill

Our Military

Kasey Ingold Logan Morris

Other

Revival
 Students
 Those with Covid and other sickness

Prayer requests will be left for 2 weeks unless notified otherwise.

Thank You Note

Dear Friends of Hospice:

Thank you for your special contribution of desserts to our annual Hospice Auction & Barbeque. We are excited to share with you that this year's event was another great success for this organization.

On behalf of the patients and families we serve, thank you for your support through this very special event. We hope we can count on your assistance next year!

Trent Cockerham
 Hospice of the Piedmont

West Bend Handbells will be playing on Tuesday, 12/21, from 5:30PM until 8PM at the Sheriffs Department's Christmas Open House this year. Stop by and enjoy the music.

Don't know what to give someone for Christmas, consider giving to the church budget in memory or in honor of someone special.

We will send a beautiful Christmas letter as the acknowledgement.

Memorial Gifts

In Memory of Bill & Norva Paisley by Robert Paisley

In Memory of Bill Lassiter by Will Glover

In Memory of Sue Voncannon by West Bend Church

In Memory of Lib Howell by West Bend Church

CUOC Item for Dec.: Vienna Sausages

Items may be left in the handbell room. Sign up to take items to CUOC on the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary.

TOG will be closed Dec. 28 & Jan. 4.

TABLE OF GRACE

West Bend Church
 Delivering Grace on Wheels & Delicious Meals

Provided 88 meals this past week.



The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.
 Deut 14:23

Tithes and Offerings Update

Offering Needed Each Week: \$2,529.20
 Received 12/12: \$7,914.53

You can give in person or by mail to P.O. Box 1845, Asheboro, NC 27204 or by PayPal Link:

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=GEAUNSMH5HM9L&source=url

The ministry of the church is ongoing. Thank you for your generosity.

Church Calendar

Sunday, December 19

10 AM Worship
 5 PM Cantata

Tuesday, December 21

11 AM TOG Deliveries
 11 AM Bulletin Deadline
 5:30 PM-8PM Handbells at Sheriff's Dept. Open House

Thursday, December 23

Church Office Closed for Holiday
 6 PM Choir Practice

Friday, December 24

Church Office Closed
 5 PM Christmas Eve Service

Saturday, December 25

Merry Christmas!

Sunday, December 26

10 AM Worship

Monday, December 27

Church Office Closed for Holiday

Tuesday, December 28

TOG Closed
 Church Office Closed for Holiday

Wednesday, December 29

Church Office Closed for Holiday

Thursday, December 30

Church Office Open

Friday, December 31

Church Office Open

Worship Associates

Live Streaming:

Laurie Hunt, Rita Lanier

Ushers:

Mike Brown, Bill Burrow, Richard Lanier

Musicians: April Brown,

Kerri Beth Frazier, Choir

Counting/Attendance/Sound:

Richard Lanier

Opening/Closing/Trash Detail:

Mike Brown

Please remember to get someone to take your place if you can't be here.

Come Celebrate the Advent Season

with West Bend Church

Starting November 28 join us on Sunday mornings at 10 AM to explore "Why He Came."

Our handbells will be playing and blessing us during our services.

Additional Services:

- Christmas Cantata, "Christ Was Born For This" Sunday, December 19, at 5 PM.
- Christmas Eve Service, Friday, December 24, at 5 PM.

We hope to see you as we celebrate the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

Ministry Staff

Ministers	Every Member
Pastor	Rev. Kari L. Howard
Office Manager	Mrs. Debra Y. Rogers
Lay Leader	Mrs. Laurie Hunt
Janitor	Mr. Tim Burrow

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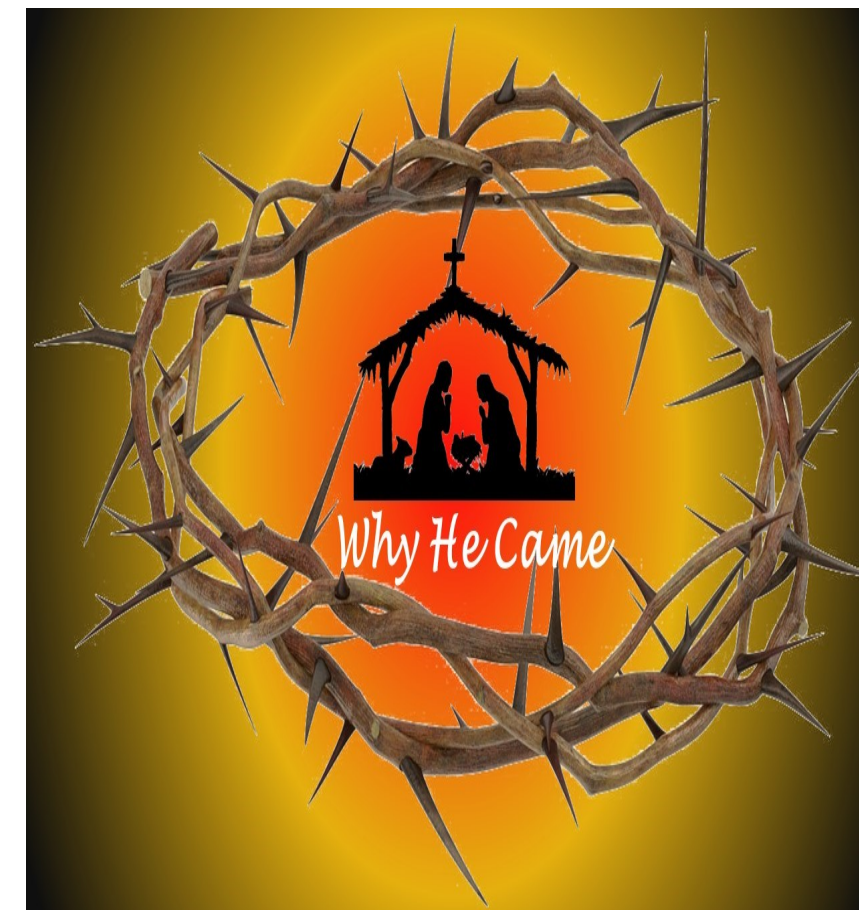
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We want to welcome you to our worship service today!

If you are a visitor, please fill out one of the Connection Cards which the ushers will hand you. Completed cards may be placed in the tithes and offerings box.

If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer request card which is on the other side of the Connection Cards and place in the tithes and offerings box. Extra cards are beside the box.