

ORDER OF SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
November 12, 2017
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT OF RECOGNITION OF OUR VETERANS

PRAYER CONCERNS

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Hear my teaching, O my people;
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
**People: That which we have heard and known;
what our ancestors have told us.**
Leader: We will not hide from their children.
**People: We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds,
All: The power of the LORD,
and the wonderful works he has done.**

* HYMN NO. 2236 "Gather Us In"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**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.**

OFFERTORY

* DOXOLOGY NO. 95

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

*† HYMN NO. 2233 "Where Children Belong"
*This, this is where Children belong, welcomed as part of
the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and
cup, prayer and song: this is where Children belong.*

† CHILDREN'S TIME Brittani Clayman

* HYMN NO. 730 "O Day of God, Draw Nigh"

SCRIPTURE

Joshua 24:19-24 Pew Bible p. 299
*Matthew 25:1-13 Pew Bible p. 1206

† ANTHEM

SERMON "The Wise"
(8:45) Glenn Patterson
(11:00) The Rev. Robert Countiss, D. Min.

TIME OF PRAYER

† Call to Prayer "Open My Eyes"
Intercessory Prayer
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 who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
AMEN.**

* HYMN NO. 369 "Blessed Assurance"

* BENEDICTION

* SONG OF BLESSING "Go Now in Peace" Price and Besig
Go now in peace; never be afraid. God will go with you each hour
of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know
He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love and show you
believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be
there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love.
Amen.

* POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able

Lectionary for November 19
Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 76:1-2, 4, 11;
1 Thessalonians 5:8-11; Matthew 25:14-30



*The flowers this morning
are given to the glory of God
in honor of all our Veterans
by Joyce Ferratt.*

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Sunday, November 12

8:45 a.m. Contemporary: Rev. Robert Countiss

8:45 a.m. Traditional: Glenn Patterson

11:00 a.m. Traditional: Rev. Robert Countiss

Greeters: Joe and Veita Lyle

Acolytes: Ainsley Richmond and Josie Thiessen

Ushers for Traditional Worship: Team B

Offering Stewards: Roger and Ellen Reynolds

Children's Church: Brittani Clayman

Flowers: Joyce Ferratt

Sound: Tanner Cook, Roger Edwards and Brent Treash

Photographer: Bobby Bolling

Communion is observed in the Contemporary Service

Sunday, November 19

8:45 a.m. Contemporary: Glenn Patterson

8:45 a.m. Traditional: Rev. Robert Countiss

11:00 a.m. Traditional: Rev. Robert Countiss

Greeters: Tony and Cindy Brewer

Acolytes: Elizabeth Nichols and Erin Johnson

Ushers for Traditional Worship: Team C

Offering Stewards: Kenneth and Deanna Reynolds

Children's Church: Brittani Clayman

Flowers: Needed

Communion is observed in the 8:45 a.m. Traditional Service

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Robert Countiss, D.Min., Pastor

Glenn Patterson, Director of Music

Lindsey Blackwell, Music Ministry Assistant

Lisa Withers, Organist/Accompanist

Sean Collier, Music Intern

Suzanne Rankin, Program Director

Brittani Clayman, Director of Students

Michele Carpenter, Office Manager

Bill Gibson, Contemporary Music Director

Moises Martinez, Student Intern

Kitty McCormick, Infant Nursery Worker

Jessica Hawks, Infant Nursery Worker

Wendy Long, Toddler Nursery Worker

Laken Price, Toddler Nursery Worker

Butch and Peggy Jones, Custodians

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

- Sun.** Nov. 12 8:45 a.m. Contemporary Service
- 8:45 a.m. Traditional Service
- 9:45 a.m. Kidstuff
- 9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m. Youth Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service
- 11:00 a.m. Children’s Church
- 6:00 p.m. Youth
- Mon.** Nov. 13 7:10 a.m. Youth Breakfast Club at McDonald’s
- 9:30 a.m. Lake Perry Wesley at Feeding America
- Tues.** Nov. 14 10:00 a.m. Response Circle Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Lake Perry Wesley Circle Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Scouts
- 7:00 p.m. Lillian Bondurant Circle Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. WOW Circle at the home of Sherri Sprinkle
- Wed.** Nov. 15 6:30 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast JMH
- 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer with Communion-Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Faith Lift
- 5:15 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Dinner
- 6:10 p.m. Handbells
- 6:15 p.m. Music for Kids/Youth Activity
- 6:45 p.m. Music for Youth/Activity for Children
- 7:00 p.m. Choir
- Thurs.** Nov. 16 6:45 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Sunday, November 19 at 6:00 p.m.

St. John Lutheran Church, Host

with AUMC, St. Thomas and Sinking Spring in leadership

COMING SOON TO WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY

Nov. 15: Healthy Eating for the Holidays led by Carrie Alexander.

Nov. 29: Advent Study “Faithful”

Don’t forget we have a great meal each week starting at 5:15 p.m.

Program for all ages starts at 6:15 p.m.

**WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY DINNER
RESERVATION FORM**

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Number Attending: _____

Would you like to have a standing Reservation?: Yes

**MENU: Chicken and Dressing Casserole, sweet potato casserole,
green beans, salad, bread, dessert. Krew #2**

Please return to church office by Tuesday at Noon.

PRAYER LIST

In an effort to keep the Prayer List updated and current, requests will be removed from the Prayer List after 4 weeks. Please let us know of any corrections, updates or additions you may have.

New Requests:

Prayer List: Rusty Cline, Bill Graves, Wanda Miller, Sue Ann Morris, Jewel Rhea (Martha Little), June Smith

Treatment Pending/Continuing: Conner Bartz (Sandra Jonas), VT Carr, Rusty Cline, Dorothy DeBord, Marsha Demase, June Donch (Marsha Demase), Mike Ferrell, Gary Kimbrell, Ellee Large (Becky Matney), Ann Johnson (Kendall Johnson), French Moore, Jr., Audrey Salazar (Roger and Alta Edwards)

Homebound, Independent Living/Retirement, Assisted Care and Rehab Facilities: Harry Arnold, John and Phyllis Deadmore, Peggy Donaldson, Carol Hearl, Bob Johnson, Nancy Johnson, Annabelle Keener, Charlie Krum, Jan Thrasher, Mae Turner, Mary Ruth Vaught (Judy Casey’s mother), Madge Via, Gene Widener, Millie Woody

POINSETTIAS OR CANNED FOOD FOR ADVENT

The first Sunday of Advent will be December 3 which is also the Hanging of the Greens Sunday. Hanging of the Greens is a special service when our Sanctuary will be decorated. To help us in decorating, you may purchase Poinsettias in memory or in honor of someone special. The Poinsettias will be displayed December 3-24 in the worship areas. If you would rather, you can also give money in memory or in honor of someone toward Faith in Action, the local food pantry, for the Advent Season. Envelopes for Poinsettias and/or Food Pantry orders are located in the sanctuary and around the church. Cost of the Poinsettias will be \$16.00. **Please note that orders for Poinsettias will only be taken from now until November 19, 2017.** Money for Faith in Action will be taken until December 17, 2017 and we ask for a minimum of \$15.00 per donation. On Sunday, December 24 we will list the Memoriams and/or Honorees selected for the Poinsettias and donations for Faith in Action.

NEW CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY FOR 2018

We will begin the process of collecting photos for our 2018 Church Directory. As we did the last time, we will ask for you to submit your favorite family photo that we will collect now through the end of December. If you do not have a photo to submit, starting in December, we will have time designated during Sunday School that you can stop by the Fellowship Hall to have your photo taken by a staff member. Submitted photos should be recent and it would be preferred that they be digital photos that can be emailed to suzannerankin@abingdonumc.org. You can also submit a photo that we can scan.

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