

Hilton United Methodist Church
3rd Sunday of Advent ~ December 11, 2016, 10:00 am
“The Remembrance of Christmas Present: Look Upon Me”

WE GATHER

Music for Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Threshold Moment

* Opening Hymn “Love Came Down at Christmas” UMH #242

Passing the Peace

*Please turn to those around you and offer words of love:
“May you know that you are loved.”*

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

A Blessing of the Children

Children ages 6-12 may now be dismissed for Jr. Church in the Youth Room

Scripture Readings:

The Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 15: 7-11 p 136 lp 297

* The Gospel Reading: Matthew 2: 1-18 p 68l lp 1497

L: For the Word of God in scripture,
for the Word of God among us.
for the Word of God within us:

P: Thanks be to God

* Carol “O Come, All Ye Faithful” vs 1-3 UMH # 234

Dramatic Reading

Carol “O Come, All Ye Faithful” vs 5 UMH # 234

The Word in Music “Arise, Shine” *arr. Crawford R. Thoburn*

The Message: “The Greatest Gift” Rev. Jennifer Green

WE RESPOND

Prayers of the People

Music selection by the Choir and Bell Choir:
“Ring Out Your Truth”

*Lord what do you
want me to let go of
this Advent Season?*

Offering

Offering our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

* Doxology #95

Praise God who blesses everyone!

Praise Jesus Christ, who is to come!

Praise Spirit, making Three-in-One!

All praise the miracle begun!

Prayer of Dedication:

Generous God

We give you thanks for all you have given us

and we offer our gifts

for the sake of being your hands and feet as the Body of Christ.

Open us to even more ways to give

so that we might look upon the world with compassion. Amen.

WE GO FORTH

* Closing Hymn “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” UMH # 213

Benediction

Benediction Song

Postlude

* Stand in body or spirit P = Bible page number, LP = Large Print Bible page
TFWS # = The Faith We Sing Hymnal; UMH # or # = The United Methodist Hymnal



Welcome to worship. We pray you feel God's presence in this place.

- If you need hearing assistance, please see an usher for a hearing loop device.
- Please sign the attendance pad so we may get to know you and pray for you and your family.
- Please consider joining us for refreshments and fellowship immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall, which is located down the stairs near the entrances

PRAYER CONCERNS: Persecuted Christians around the world; **The Hand to Plow Process;** **Our Mission Outreach Children:** Marbelly and Ariel Velasquez Alvarado. **Residents of Care Facilities:** Bob Hall; Gloria Hamm; Eleanor Harrington; Betty Schultz. **Ongoing Health Concerns:** Bob Comstock; Ann Cook; Ron Davies; Alea Floyd; Troy Green; Andrew Hardy; Michele List; Lauren Slagle; John Sweeney; Chris Wanjon. **Service people:** Sgt. Michael T. Bigley; Gen. James Blackburn; GYSgt. Jason Brackley; Sgt. FC David Colucci; Msgr. Matthew Emerson; Pvt Alex Joss-Forbes; Capt Scott Fuller; Pvt Annika Moody; Maj. Jathan Payne; Maj Nathan Thompson; Sr Airman Steven Trembley; Sgt. Cody Wise.

* If you know of anyone that should be added to this list please let us know.

This Week Today: **Worship @ 10am**
Coffee hour and fellowship time
Adult Sunday School today

Monday: Prayer Group at 9:15am

Tuesday: **Cookie Exchange 7:00pm – Multipurpose Room**
GS Troop # 939 6:00pm Fellowship Hall

Wednesday: Friendly Quilters - 9am Fellowship Hall
Community Council 12p Community Center
GriefShare Group – 1pm – Multipurpose Room
Choir – 7p

Thursday: Bible Study – 1pm - Library
Lighthouse Youth Group 6:30-8:00pm

Friday: **SLAM Youth Group 6:00-7:30pm**
AA – FH 7pm

Saturday: **Craft Circle 10:00am**

Sunday: **4th Sunday of Advent**
Worship @ 10am
Coffee hour/fellowship time
Adult Sunday School
Piano Recital 2pm Sanctuary
Longest Night Service 5:00pm Sanctuary

Staff at HUMC

Pastor: Rev. Jennifer Green
Office Mng: Patricia Van Vleck
Music Coord.: Karen Bernhardt Kuntz
Organist: Christy Sadecki
Custodian: Bill Schubert
Youth Coord.: Joe Neri
Nursery: Amy Quartieri

Disciples Active In Worship This Week

Head Usher: Dennis Sneddon
Greeters: Roxanne Zambito & Liz Gliszczynski
Guides: Pat Holenbeck & Nancy Manning
Nursery Ass't: Anna Miller
Sound Booth: Dan Van Vleck
Coffeehour: Wayne & Sharon Miller
Acolyte: Alexander Groth
Worship Coord.: Scott Campbell
Financial Sec.: Sally Lee
Ministers: The Whole Congregation
Advent Candles: Chris & Jeanne Wanjon
Lay Liturgist: Ray Perkins

Christmas Gift Idea – Janet LaBorie has TOPS Gift cards in \$50 (1) \$25 (8) \$10 (18). A good gift for someone who has everything or you just don't know what to get them. Always good to have one in your pocket for the quick run to the store. She also has \$100 Gift cards for your weekly shopping trips.

The Clothes Closet is in need of Mittens and Gloves. Any Donations can be dropped off at Hilton Baptist Church between 8:00 & 1:00 pm Monday-Friday.

Grief Share Group meets Wednesdays at 1:00pm – always open for people to join.

AFTER SERVICE GATHERING! Please stay after the service today for a very short gathering to hear about Church Council's approved sanctuary updates. Work starts on January 3rd with completion in late January or early February. All information will also be in the January Mouse. If you can't stay and have questions or concerns, please contact Trustees.

December 11, 2016 The Third Sunday of Advent Hilton United Methodist Church

Our Mission: "Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world"

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Following Christ ☆ Connecting Generations ☆ Transforming Communities

What's happening around Hilton UMC?

We have several ways for you to participate in in missions and ministry, watch for further information about:

- **Angel Tree Ministries** – Thank you to those who took Angels. Did you remember to bring your gifts back by today? If not, please let Evelyn Seeger know when they will be here.
- **Reverse Advent Calendar and activities** – Thank you to all who have been participating in our Reverse Advent Calendar. There is still time to join in. All items should be brought to church by next Sunday. Happy Giving for Advent!!!
- **Christmas Baskets and Food Shelf Assistance** – we need help packing Christmas boxes on Monday 12/19 at 7:00pm. We also need help delivering on Thursday 12/22. See Manuela Groth for more information.
- **Poinsettias** – Today is the last day to order poinsettias. Order forms are on the table in the Narthex.
- **Cookie Exchange** – Tuesday, December 13th at 7:00pm
- **Longest Night Service** – Sunday, December 18th at 5:00pm The Service of the Longest Night is scheduled around the winter solstice (the longest night of the calendar year). Not feeling very jolly this Christmas? Missing a loved one? Come be in the healing presence of God at this special worship service, designed for those whose heart are a little 'blue' this year.
- **Chums** – Senior gathering at luncheon – Monday, December 19th at 12:00pm
- **Children's Christmas Eve Service – 4:00pm**
2 Ampor Beach off Lighthouse Road – this will be outside, so dress warm
(Same place we had Easter sunrise service)
***Please park on Lighthouse Road only!!!
- **Traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – 8:00pm** at Hilton UMC
- **Christmas Day Worship Service** at 10:00am
- **Pastor's Open House** – The Green Family are inviting everyone to stop by their home at 10 Rolling Meadow Drive for a Christmas Open House on Wednesday, December 28th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.