

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
2ND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
JANUARY 1ST, 2023

ENTRANCE

GATHERING, WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

✠ *PRELUDE (J.S. Bach)* *Good Christian Men Rejoice*

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!

For with thee is the fountain of life; in thy light do we see light.

Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised!

*HYMN UMH 219 *What Child Is This*

*OPENING PRAYER

O God our Father, give to the Church a new vision and a new charity, new wisdom and fresh understanding, the revival of her brightness and the renewal of her unity; that the eternal message of thy Son, undefiled by the traditions of men, may be hailed as the good news of the new age; through him who maketh all things new, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ *DOXOLOGY UMH 95

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you,
And also with you.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 148:1-14*

✠ CHILDREN'S TIME

NEW TESTAMENT READING *Matthew 2:13-23*

MESSAGE *The Journey Begins*

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN UMH 240 *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*

*BENEDICTION

*FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

✠ *POSTLUDE (*Nicolai*) *How Brightly Shines the Morning Star*

Welcome! We are so glad you chose to worship with us today and we are excited about all the great work God is doing in and through our congregation! The power of God changes lives, and we are all part of that change. When we choose to allow the Lord to lead and guide us, the amazing happens. We invite you to join us in the ongoing journey of faith that yields amazing things.

***Those who are able, please stand**

⊙ = 8:45 am service, ✠ = 11:00 am service

Facilities:

Bristol Glen: Ethel Klingenberg Harmony: Dan Wilson
Hundley Center: Jo Carol Cole
Petersburg Home for Ladies: Marjorie Grammar, Doris Peters, Ann Carter
Pineview: Ann Nichols, Jerry Reynolds
Missionaries: Guthrie Family and Annie Judd Wall

KNOWN PRAYER CONCERNS

| Members at Home: | Loved Ones and Community: |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Shirley Carrillo | Afghan Refugees |
| Anne Cole | First Responders |
| Paul, Nancy & Peggy Conner | Hospital Workers |
| Donald Curtis | Our Leaders & Our Nation |
| Ann Hardin | Russian & Ukraine Conflict |
| Lynn Haskins | Storm victims |
| Barbara Hudson | Teachers and students |
| Billy Judd | Royall Boswell |
| Evelyn Lambert | Christopher Brack |
| Sam Moore | Clarence Daniel |
| Lewis Nichols | Shelby Gill |
| Sarah Reynolds | Nina Hofler |
| Roger Tanner | Faye Matthews |
| Herbert & Deborah Tuck | Erin Hofler Pearce |
| Martin & Shirley Wetherbee | Marsha R. Smith |
| Dylan Willis | |

NOTES OF INTEREST:



Please note the church office is closed
Monday Jan. 2, 2023
in observance of New Year's Day.

Church Office Hours This Week

Tuesday – Thursday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Office phone: 434-447-4761

THIS WEEK

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| Today: | 8:45 am | Worship |
| | 9:45 am | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 am | Worship |
| Monday: | All Day | Office Closed |
| Tuesday: | 1:00 pm | Upper Room |
| | 7:30 pm | Synago |
| Wednesday: | 8:00 pm | AA Group |
| Friday: | 8:00 pm | Friday Sobriety Group |

Next Week's Sermon:
Go and Search
Matthew 2:1-12

UPCOMING

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| January 9 | UWF Meeting 10:00am |
| January 10 | Finance Committee 5:30pm |
| January 11 | Prayer Shawl Ministry |
| January 15 | UMM Breakfast 8:00am |
| January 15 | Church Council Meeting 12:30pm |
| January 25 | Prayer Shawl Ministry |

TODAY

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| Liturgist: | Nancy Merrel |
| Teller: | Anne Cole |
| Music Director/Organist: | Jimmie Crowder, Jr. |
| Worship Technician: | Glenn Johnson |
| Children's Message: | Kathy Reese |
| Bishop: | Sharma D. Lewis |
| District Superintendent: | James H. Carey, Jr. |



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