



SHARE THE

JOY

LUKE 2:10-11

## December Circuit Writer

Dear Church Family,

Greetings in the wonderful and mighty name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are entering into one of the most exciting and busiest seasons of the year. It is the season of Advent. The word advent comes from a Latin word Adventus which means, coming and arrival. It is a season of preparing our hearts for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ and for the second coming of Jesus. As I was in prayer last week in preparation for the sermon for last Sunday the Holy Spirit inspired me to preach on the subject PREPARE. Just wanted to share with you seven practical ways we can spiritually prepare our hearts for this wonderful season.

### Pause and Pray

- Prayer connects us with God
- Making intentional time of prayer throughout the day to communicate with God.
- Psalms 46:10- "Be still and know that I am God."

### Read the Christmas Story

- As we read the story we are refreshed and reminded of why Christ came into this world.
- The word of God inspires and builds our faith.
- Psalm 119:105- "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."

### Examine our hearts

- Lord please remove every hindrance, every sin, everything in my life that will keep me from encountering and experiencing your presence fully this season.
- Psalm 139:23-24- "Search me O God--- "Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting."

**Place your burdens, struggles, and weaknesses in to the Hands of the Lord Almighty**

- **God is always there to comfort and hear the deepest concerns of our hearts.**
- **1 Peter 5:7- “Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.”**

#### **Advance God’s Mission**

- **Lord wants to use us during this season to share Hope, Love, Peace, and Joy.**
- **Matthew 28:17-20- “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”**

#### **Renew our passion for God**

- **Lord awaken us and ignite in us to seek more and more of Your presence in our lives.**
- **Romans 12:2- “And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.**

#### **Expect to hear a word from the Lord**

- **Word from the Lord for our personal lives and a word for someone else.**
- **Jeremiah 33:3- “Call to me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.”**

**We wish each one of you a blessed Christmas Season. We love you all and always praying for you. Please keep us in your prayers always. Come Holy Spirit Come.**

**Amen**

**All for Jesus**

**Pastor Andrew and Arpita**



**LUKE 2:10-11**

*But the angel said to them,  
“Do not be afraid. I bring you good news  
that will cause great joy for all the people.  
Today in the town of David  
a Savior has been born to you;  
he is the Messiah, the Lord.*





## *Reminisce*

### *WE SING THE MEMORIES*

Linda and I established our group in November of 2011 to sing the old favorites most of us, the congregation, grew up with. Over the years our original members have changed from time to time, however our focus has not changed. We continue to be encouraged by the reception we receive each time we are a part of the worship service.

Currently, our members are Rev. Gene Barbour, Ralph Doyle, Tom Marshall, myself and Rev. Andrew Singh. Additionally Eloise Mulligan joins us from time to time.

Linda has been our musical leader and group advisor since day one. Her leadership is invaluable.

Blessings, Bob Martin

## Operation Christmas Child 2018



**Our church family collected 105 Operation Christmas Child boxes this year to be sent all over the world to bring the hope and love of Jesus in the hearts of children. Thank you Emily Markey for your leadership in this important outreach ministry of our church.**

**Nehemiah 8:10- "for the joy of the Lord is your strength."**

# December

Sat	1 <sup>st</sup>	8:15 a	UMM Devotional Lesson
		9:00 a	UMM Meeting
		10:00 a	Decorate Church for Christmas
Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent	
		9:00 a	Communion / Chapel
		9:15 a	Sunday School
		10:30 a	Worship
		5:30 p	Youth Ministries
Tue	4 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p	Bible Study
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 p	Caring Team
		7:00 p	Choir Practice
		7:00 p	Manna Mission Meeting
Thu	6 <sup>th</sup>	11:30 a	WIM – Christmas Party
Fri	7 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p	GE CDC Christmas Program
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	
		9:00 a	Communion / Chapel
		9:15 a	Sunday School
		10:30 a	Worship
		5:30 p	Youth Ministries
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p	Council On Ministries
Tue	11 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a	Children Chapel
Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p	Choir Practice
Thur	13 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p	Prayer Group
Sat	15 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 a	Community Kindness
		5:00 p	Manna Mission Meal
Sun	16 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent	
		9:00 a	Communion / Chapel
		9:15 a	Sunday School
		10:30 a	Worship—Children's Program
		5:30 p	Youth Ministries
Mon	17 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 p	Trustee
		7:00 p	Open Dialogue
Wed	19 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p	Choir Practice
Sat	22 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00 p	Emmaus Class Party
Sun	23 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent	
		9:00 a	Communion / Chapel
		9:15 a	Sunday School
		10:30 a	Worship
		5:30 p	Youth Ministries
Mon	24	Christmas Eve – Office Closed	
		5:00 p	Christmas Eve Service
		11:00 p	Christmas Eve Service
Tue	25	Christmas Day – Office Closed	
Wed	26	Office Closed	

Sun	30	9:00 a	Communion / Chapel
		9:15 a	Sunday School
		10:30 a	Worship
		5:30 p	Youth Ministries
Mon	31	New Year's Eve	
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Tue	1 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Day – office closed	
Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7:00 p	Choir Practice
Thu	3 <sup>rd</sup>	11:00 a	WIM
Sat	5 <sup>th</sup>	8:15 a	UMM Devotional Lesson
		9:00 a	UMM Meeting
		10:00 a	Calendar Meeting
Sun	6 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a	Communion / Chapel
		9:15 a	Sunday School
		10:30 a	Worship
		5:30 p	Youth Ministries
Mon	7 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p	SPRC
Tue	8 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a	Children's Chapel
Wed	9 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p	Choir Practice
Sun	13 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a	Communion / Chapel
		9:15 a	Sunday School
		10:30 a	Worship
		5:30 p	Youth Ministries
Mon	14 <sup>th</sup>	6:15 p	Finance Committee
		7:00 p	Administrative Board





# NOVEMBER 2018 TALLY SHEET

## Budget Total

Tithes Offering	\$17,895.50
Sunday School	\$54.50
Loose Plate	\$304.00
GECDC	\$7,532.48
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$25,789.48</b>

## Special Giving

Charge Conference	
NKY Disaster Relief	\$310.00
Christmas Child	\$383.00
Emmaus - Emergency	\$37.50
Emmaus - Special Offering	\$61.00
Emmaus - Zimmerman	\$71.00
Flowers	\$230.00
Good Samaritan	\$72.00
Ida Spence	\$170.00
Ida Spence - Pastor's Cake	\$327.50
Methodist Men	\$165.00
Mission	\$75.00
Mission - City BBQ	\$49.62
Reimbursements	\$125.25
Spiritual Formation	\$25.00
UMCOR	\$10.00
Women In Mission	\$165.00
Youth	\$38.00
<b>Total Special</b>	<b>\$2,314.87</b>

**Sub Total** \$28,104.35

**Building Fund** \$130.00

**Grand Total** \$28,234.35

## December

### Birthday

Peggy Sawyer	12/02
John Lambert	12/03
Wilanne Stangel	12/04
Nancy Doyle	12/04
Mimi Evans	12/05
Mike Mulligan	12/05
Glenn Wells	12/06
Roger Wilson	12/06
Doris Doyle	12/10
Haley Doyle	12/11
Wanda Hill	12/12
Doris Butler	12/17
Gay Love	12/21
Charles Love	12/26
Phyllis Ford	12/28

### Anniversary

Pastor Andrew & Arpita Singh 12/30/10

## January

Mike Markey	01/07
Greg Steenken	01/07
Patrick McMahon	01/09
Mary Sharp	01/10
Sue Wells	01/13
Sue Lambert	01/22
Tiffany Herbers	01/23
Wanda Ballmer	01/26
John Gillespie	01/26
Brenda Herbers	01/26
Grace Herrmann	01/26
Ryan McCarty	01/28
Connie Evans	01/29
Chuck Love	01/29



Welcome to the Family. We had three new people join church today. Arpita Singh, Rhoda Russell, and Don Cassidy. Standing next to Don on the left is his wife Vicki Cassidy who is a long time member of our church. Come Holy Spirit Come. Amen



Thank you one and all for donating and praying for the Ida Spence Cake Fund. We had a great turn out and donated \$2,502.00, to help the Light on the Hill. God Bless, Adult Ministries - Joy



Our Christmas offering is going to Community Kindness & Chelsea Ryann's Festival of Hope



## Tuesday Night Bible Study









