

Order of Worship
December 17, 2023
Third Week of Advent - Joy
Everyone Welcome!

Welcome and Announcements Janet Medows, Liturgist

Call to Worship – “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” UM Hymnal # 334
There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord. There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love. And for these blessings, we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

*Hymn of Praise and Lighting of Candles UM Hymnal # 89
“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Personal Sharing Janet Meadows

Lighting of the Advent Candle (Joy)

Concerns and Praises

Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, which 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

Offering
*Doxology UM Hymnal # 95

Hymn of Preparation UM Hymnal # 171
“There’s Something About That Name”

Presentation: The Great I AM
Joyful Noise...Directed by Don Johnson

*Hymn of Dedication UM Hymnal # 249
“There’s a Song in the Air”

OUR ALTAR IS ALWAYS OPEN!

*Benediction and Shalom Circle

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 24: 5:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
(No morning service).



The Poinsettias on the altar table are
In Memory of Peg and Mel

Last week’s plate offering: \$1,100.00
Weekly amount needed to be on budget: \$1,500.00
Attendance Last Sunday: 37
Online Views of Streaming Video: 99

Prayers & Concerns

Katherine Johnson - ongoing care
Tyler Stafford - transplant issues
Sue Matthews – health concerns
Maria Rakaska – health concerns
Steve Chapman – health concerns
Judy Denny – health concerns
David Bryant – cancer
Shirley Tayse – health concerns
Harold & Betty Martin – ongoing health issues
Ann Hart – Prayers
Tim Huffines – Prayers for Jaymon Loftis
Steve Neer – prayers!
Roger Borgmann – Prayers for Ida Reed
Tom Barlow – Prayers
Jim Eberly – Prayers
Jane Beavon – Prayers for friend, Sherry Halteman
Patrick Heinrich – Prayers for Dakota Bean, and for the people affected by the tornadoes. Brothers and nephews are safe.
Ann Hughes – Prayers Rosemary Henry

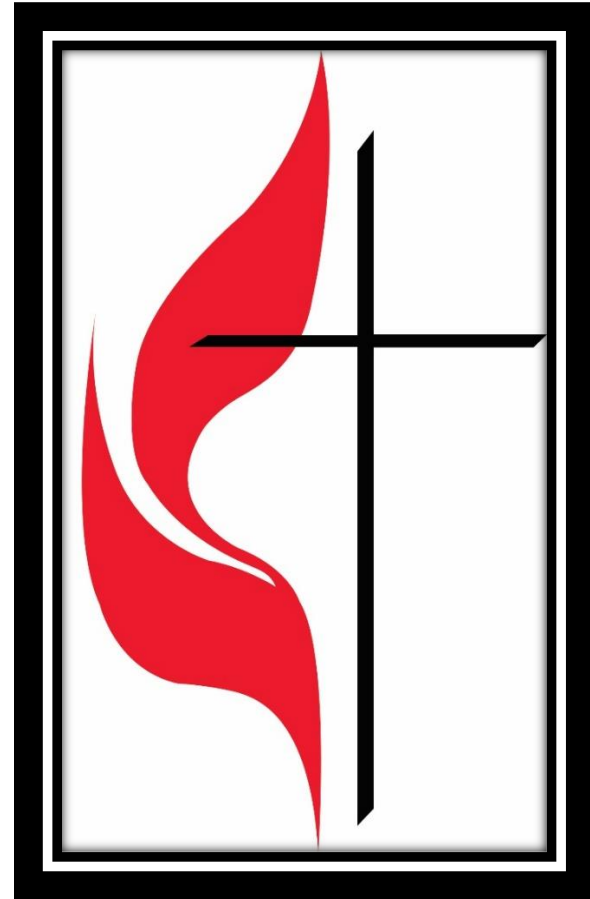
Praises

Pam Kilmon – Blessed to be a part of the United Women in Faith
Patrick Heinrich – Great fellowship at Logan’s for Christmas Party
Tim Huffines – Praise report for friend with cancer
Susan Huffines – Praise for Mom’s birthday

Email Prayer Request: gainesboromethodist@gmail.com

Merry Christmas

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