Order of Worship December 8, 2024

Second Sunday in Advent - Peace Everyone Welcome!

Welcome and Announcements

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 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" UM Hymnal # 218

Lighting the Advent Candle of PEACE Patrick & Sandy Heinrich

Prayers of the People

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

Offering *Doxology

power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Hymn of Preparation "Let There Be Peace on Earth" UM Hymnal # 431

Scripture – Philippians 4:2-9

Sermon Joe Beavon

Personal Sharing Janet Meadows

*Hymn of Dedication "This is My Song" UM Hymnal # 437

OUR ALTAR IS ALWAYS OPEN!

*Benediction and Shalom Circle

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursdays, December 12 & 19: 5:00pm "Joyful Noise" Practice

<u>Sunday, December 22:</u> Our annual Christmas Lunch and Gift Exchange at the Bull & Thistle immediately after service.

<u>Tuesday, December 24:</u> 4:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Sunday, **December 29**: We have postponed our 5th Sunday Dinner due to the holidays.

Pantry food item: Mac & Cheese

The Poinsettias and Christmas wreaths were donated by Tommy Willmore from the Flower Mart of Nashville. Thank you!

We raised \$500. For UMCOR/Hurricane Helene!
Thank you for your generosity!

Last week's plate offering: \$1,400.00

Weekly amount needed to be on budget: \$1,500.00

Attendance Last Sunday: 32

Prayers & Concerns

Steve Chapman - health concerns

David Bryant - cancer

Jaymon Loftis - Prayers

Bonnie Flatt - Prayers Stage 3 liver cancer

Maria Rakaska - Prayers for health issues

Frances Knight - Prayers for health concerns

Ann Hart - Prayers for cancer

Howard & Carla Khouri - Prayers for health concerns

Stella Cain - Prayers

Kathie Bowles - Health concerns

Harold & Betty Martin - ongoing health issues

Prayers for Jim & Karen Eberly

Prayers for hurricanes, floods & tornados victims

Mike Tippit - Prayers for upcoming open-heart surgery on

January 6

Curt Long - Prayers for health concerns

Grief

Prayers for Stella Cain's family, her son-in-law, Tim has

passed

Patrick Heinrich - Prayers for the family of Ronny We



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