

Worship Service - December 10, 2023

RENEW - 9:00 am

Welcome and Announcements

Advent Reading

Offertory

Light of the World
CORE Cantata

Light of the World

The Heart of Christmas

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

He Has Come For Us
(God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen)

Noel
This is Jesus

Joy to the World/Unspeakable Joy

A Christmas Offering

Hark the Herald/King of Heaven

Prayer

Benediction

Reprise: *Hark the Herald*

Traditional - 11:00 am

Welcome

Prelude
Angel's Peal/Stille, Stille, Stille
arranged by Hodges/Moats

Advent Reading

Hymn of Praise
Joy to the World
UMH 246

Concerns/Prayers/Gratitude

Offering

**The PUMC Chancel Choir
Presents:**

Sing a Song of Christmas
A Cantata by
Michael Barrett & Joseph Martin

Prelude of Joy
A Song of Christmas
Come, Emmanuel
Sleep, Little Lamb
Come, Hear the Music
In Bethlehem
Christmas Songs of Joy

Accompanied by:
Chris Graham/Clarinet
Denise Harding/Piano
Keenan Harmon/Trumpet
Carrie Hodges/Flute


**We're so glad to have you
worshipping with us today!**

We invite you to stop by our
WELCOME CENTER
which is located to the left as you
exit the Sanctuary.

Narrator
Jim Price

Blessing

The flowers in the sanctuary are to the Glory of God and for the birth of the baby Jesus and in honor of all those that keep our church moving forward by Linda Honeycutt

 **High School Lockout
12/15**

Join us to celebrate Christmas with a night full of surprises! Contact Jessica Inman for more details.

**Middle School Christmas Party
12/17**

Enjoy ice skating and illuminated trails at the Whitewater Center. Contact jessica@pumcfortmill.org to RSVP.

**Christmas Eve Services
Sunday, December 24th**

 **11:00 am** Worship Service
4:00 pm Children's Christmas Eve service

Candlelight Christmas Eve Services

6:00 pm A Candlelight & Communion Service

Families are asked to bring a dozen wrapped cookies to this service as a love offering to the community.

11:00 pm A Candlelight & Communion Service

Nursery will be provided for 4:00 and 6:00 pm services.

**Christmas Eve Cookie Offering
6 pm Christmas Eve Service**

Please bring cookies (packaged in zip lock type bags—12 /bag) to help us offer a gift to those working on Christmas Eve. Worshippers will be invited to distribute these cookies to surrounding businesses after the service.

**How to prepare
for Advent**



**Children,
How Do You
Prepare for
Advent?**


It's Advent!
It's Christmas!
It's the Holy-Day season where we celebrate the birth of Jesus. Whether you're setting up a Nativity scene or decorating your home, send us a short video of your Advent preparation and we'll include it with our PUMC Children's Ministry Festivities.

Send your video or questions to Nicolas@pumcfortmill.org

 **Today Annual UWF
Cookie Sale
Sunday, December 10th
Before and after
each Cantata
\$5/doz**

Bakers Needed!

Bring cookies to church Saturday, December 9th 10am-Noon Please package 6 to a bag. Label with type and if they contain nuts. Bags available in the Coffee Connections Room.


 **End of
Year Giving**

As 2023 ends, we express our heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support throughout the year. Your generosity enables us to navigate financial hurdles and continue fulfilling our mission. Every contribution makes a meaningful impact. To ensure your contributions are counted for 2023, please make your gifts on or before December 31st.

**Christmas Cantata
Today, December 10th**

9:00 am CORE
11:00 am Chancel Choir
Join us as we celebrate Advent through music and narration.

**"An Unlikely Advent"
Every Thursday,
November 30th through December 21st
700 PM - 830 PM**


 Toni and I will be leading an Advent Book and Bible Study by Zoom based on "An Unlikely Advent" by Rachel Billups. You may purchase a copy of this book from Amazon, Cokesbury, or Thrift Books.

Registration is required. This QR code will take you to Zoom Registration. We look forward to growing with you during this Advent season as we explore "An Unlikely Advent."



Offering Counters Needed!

Your support means the world! We're looking for Offering Counters for 2024 - serve once a week, up to 2 months. Scan the QR code to sign up, and more details will follow by email. Questions? Contact Mayra at accounting@pumcfortmill.org. Thank you for considering this chance to serve PUMC!



Connection Card

**The Church Office will be closed
Monday, December 25th and
Tuesday, December 26th, for the
Christmas Holiday.**

**Church Council Meeting
Sunday, December 17th, 1:30 pm
All Members are Invited!**

Prayer Requests This Week

If you have updates about our members or prayer concerns, please contact the church office at 803.548.0102



Gene Baker	Lollie Rea
Diane Bell	Carolyn Ressler
Homer Bethea	Claudia Register
Phil Brigman	Alice Sumner
Doris Bevil	Dorothee Young
Barbara Chapman	
Eunice Faulkenbury	
Jesse Ford	
Fred Grohaan	
Gene Hoover	
Holly Johnson	
Jennifer Lare	
Polly Merritt	

Prayer Requests

Other information and/or prayer requests I would like to share with the church Staff or Senior Pastor.

Check here if you would like a call from the Pastor

Phone # _____

Angel Tree



Scan the QR code with your smart phone camera to sign up for clothing and toys for individual angels OR pull a tag from the tree to purchase a gift card for a family.

Important! Please wrap your gift and create a tag with the child's name, age and the family number and place it on the gift. All gifts and gift cards are to be returned no later than 11:00 am on Sunday, Dec. 17th. If you choose a gift card from the Angel Tree, return gift card to Linda Honeycutt or the church office.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCIAL REPORT

December 3, 2023

\$14,110 is needed each week to meet our annual budget of \$733,741, we received \$16,803 this week

\$522,373 has been received towards the General and Building Funds

\$564,925 has been spent from the General and Building Funds

\$25,133 Cash Available to Support Church Expenses, Missions & Ministries

\$772,635 Loan balance for Building

Ways to Give

Cash & Checks accepted every Sunday during Offering!
Visit us at www.pumcfortmill.org/give/
Via Zelle App - gifts@pumcfortmill.org
Transfer Stocks, Bonds, Brokerage Assets
Mail or Drop-off your gift during regular office hours

Have questions about giving?

Please contact PUMC's part-time Financial Associate, Mayra Leon at accounting@pumcfortmill.org



**Clang Buckets
Received
\$274. 24
from both services**
For the month of
December
for
Operation Christmas
Child .

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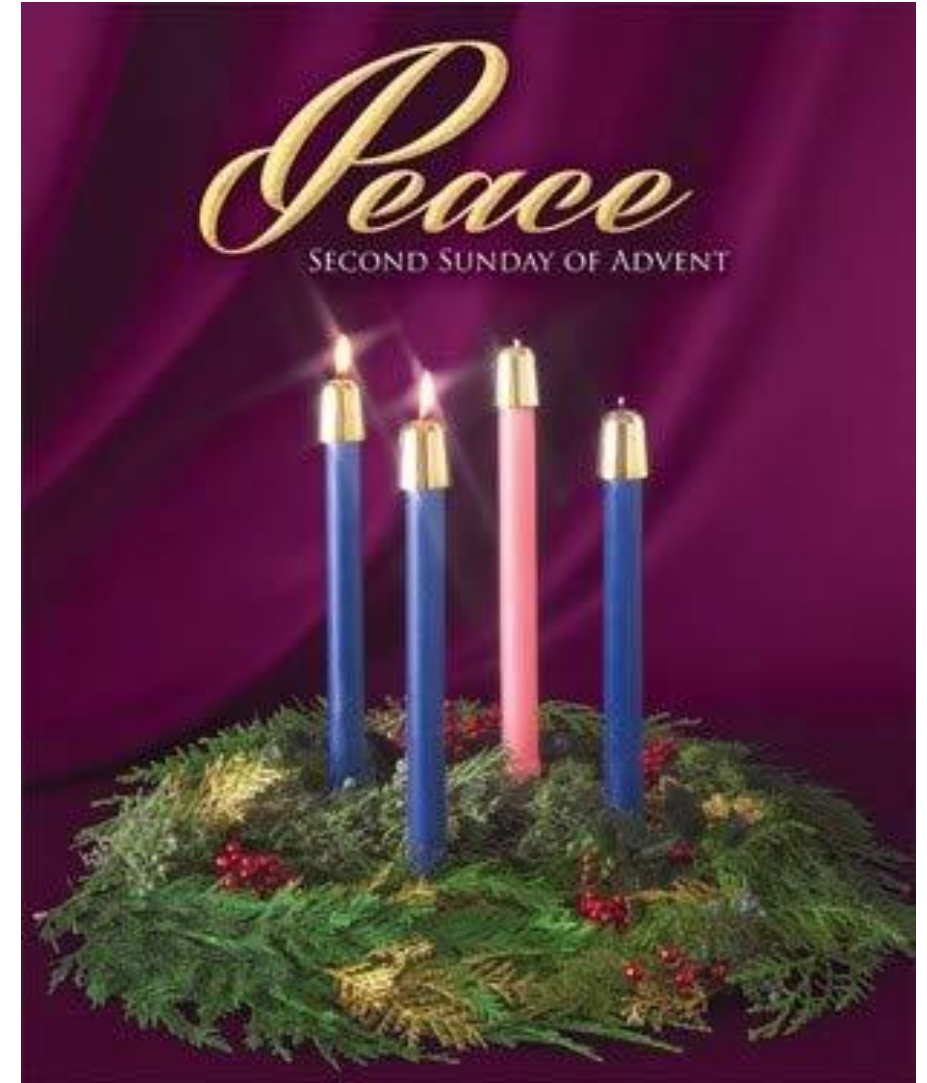
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Christmas Poinsettias 2023

In Honor Of:

Jesus' Birthday
Pastor David & Toni Taylor
Our Daughters, Summer & Brandi
Our Mothers, Macie McElhaney &
Margaret Kiggins
Charlotte, Caroline & Marshall David Burns
Bobby and Beverly Burgess
Eunice Falkenbury
Our Wonderful Family
Ms. Jessica
Staff & Leadership

In Memory of:

Steve Brigman
Glenn Brigman
Lillian Burns, our 1st daughter
Thelma Butler
Norma Hodges, Willie Hodges &
Lucy Hodges
Mutt Hartsoe & Aaron Hartsoe
Laura Honeycutt & Gene Honeycutt
Otis Blankenship & Mildred Blankenship
Dennis Honeycutt & Charlie Maner

Loved Ones
Jackie Reynolds,
beloved sister & great aunt

Gary Miller
Norm Schaefer
George & Lola Shugart
Joe & Marilyn Sams
Betty & Carroll Taylor

Given By:

Gene & Clara Baker
Don & Pam Brenwald (Mom & Dad)

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Marshall & Amanda Burns
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The Disciple Class
Charles & Molli Moon
PYG
Toni & David Taylor

Jane Brigman & Phil Brigman
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Marshall & Amanda Burns
Buster & Linda Hill

Seth Hodges
Ronald & Linda Honeycutt
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Windy Honeycutt &
Ronald & Linda Honeycutt
Dan & Cathy Kraft

Linda LaRocque, Michelle, Nathan
& Cooper
Lois Miller & Family
Donna & Family

Billy & Joelyn Shugart
Toni & David Taylor

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023

Reader: In days when God's people longed for peace, Isaiah declared, "Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins" (Isaiah 40:1).

Reader: We who gather today also seek comfort and peace, yet we are unsatisfied with ideas of peace that tell us to keep quiet and go with the flow. We long for real peace, true peace, just peace.

Congregation: We wait as people who yearn for peace that bears the fruit of community, equity, and flourishing for all.

Reader: We light these candles as signs of God's shocking hope and just peace. May they be beacons calling us to repent and to live the good news of Jesus Christ as we wait and watch and labor for the day when all people can gather together to worship and glorify God. Amen.