Luke 21:25-36

²⁵ "And there will be strange signs in the sun, moon, and stars. And here on earth the nations will be in turmoil, perplexed by the roaring seas and strange tides. ²⁶ People will be terrified at what they see coming upon the earth, for the powers in the heavens will be shaken.²⁷ Then everyone will see the Son of Man coming on a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ So when all these things begin to happen, stand and look up, for your salvation is near!"

²⁹ Then he gave them this illustration: "Notice the fig tree, or any other tree. ³⁰ When the leaves come out, you know without being told that summer is near. ³¹ In the same way, when you see all these things taking place, you can know that the Kingdom of God is near. ³² I tell you the truth, this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things have taken place. ³³ Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear.

³⁴ "Watch out! Don't let your hearts be dulled by carousing and drunkenness, and by the worries of this life. Don't let that day catch you unaware, ³⁵ like a trap. For that day will come upon everyone living on the earth. ³⁶ Keep alert at all times. And pray that you might be strong enough to escape these coming horrors and stand before the Son of Man." (NLT)

Playschool Christmas Program and Spaghetti Dinner: On Tuesday, December 17 at 6:00 P.M., our playschool will present a short Christmas program followed by a spaghetti dinner. Volunteers are needed to help with the dinner. See sign up sheets in The Commons area to help.

Main Street Church Calendar

Sunday, December 1, 2024 9:30 A.M. Sunday School - Fellowship Hall 10:30 A.M. Sunday Worship

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

6:00 P.M. Bible Study -7:00 P.M. Choir Practice - Choir Room

Sunday, December 8, 2024

9:30 A.M. Sunday School - Fellowship Hall

10:30 A.M. Sunday Worship - Lessons & Carols

11:30 A.M. Advent Ham Banquet - Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 9, 2024

6:00 P.M. Women's Meeting - Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 16, 2024

6:30 P.M. SPRC Committee Meeting - Edna Watt RM



Candlelight Worship & Communion Christmas Eve—5:00 P.M.

Main Street **United Methodist Church**



First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2024

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MAIN STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 1, 2024 Come Let Us Adore Him Prelude

Prayer 201

Blessing of the Crismon Tree Titus 3:4-7

Holy Lord, we come with joy to celebrate the birth of your Son, who rescued us from the darkness of sin by making the cross a tree of life and light. May this tree, arrayed in splendor, remind us of the life giving cross of Christ, that we may always rejoice in the new life that shines in our hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 211	O Come, O Come, Em	manuel (vs.1)
Advent Wreath Re	ading	Isaiah 60:2-3

We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope. May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvation. O come, O come, Emmanuel.

Hymn 211	O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs.2)

Psalter 756

Children's Message

Hymn 196 *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Congregational Life

Offering

Advent

Psalm 25:1-10

Hymn 70	Glory Be to the Father
Scripture	Luke 21:25-36
Sermon	Preparations
Holy Communio	Pg. 17 (A)
Hymn 206	Want to Talk as a Child of the Light

Sending

Postlude

Sunday Next: Second Sunday of Advent -Lessons and Carols & Advent Ham Banquet December 8, 2024 || Luke 3: 1-6

Prayer List: Homebound Members, Emma McGinnis, J.D. Paschal, Aaron Griffith, Barry Williams, Tommy Hicks, Johnny Glover, Jesse Sigmon, Joe Alexander, Joanna Gibbs, Dennis Irving, Shannon French, Wanda Poole, Mitch Mason, Regina Hampshire, Ray Gibson, Rebecca Filibey, John Noell, Donna Snoufer, John Rush, Kennedy Kollesar, Mary Lynn Somers, Steven, Latoyia, and Lee Rakestraw. **Please call the church office to be added/removed from Prayer List*. 3

Titus 3:4-7

⁴ But—When God our Savior revealed his kindness and love, ⁵ he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit. ⁶ He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior. ⁷ Because of his grace he made us right in his sight and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life.

Isaiah 60:2-3

² Darkness as black as night covers all the nations of the earth,

but the glory of the Lord rises and appears over you.

³ All nations will come to your light; mighty kings will come to see your radiance.

Angel Tree: The Salvation Army Angel Tree we adopted has a couple more "ANGELS" to be adopted. Each individual has an **information card** about their needs, wishes, favorite toys, and different clothing sizes. If you are interested in being a child's Angel this Christmas, please grab one of the additional "ANGELS" *from the tree in the Common Area.* Angel Tree gifts need to be delivered to **The Salvations Army by Dec 6th.**

Bell Ringers Wanted: The people of Main Street Church have been asked by the Salvation Army to cover December 11 'Kettle Duty' at Roses of Reidsville from 10:00 A.M. to 4 P.M. Please add your name to the sign up list in The Commons.

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