

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ADVENT ~ WORSHIP & EVENTS

Advent Sermon Series The Polar Express – Join us at 9am or 11am for worship!

Advent Bible Study – The Christmas Story – 10:30am – Jeremiah’s Retreat

STARS (Seniors Together and Rejoicing Strong) Christmas Luncheon – Saturday, December 13th- 12 pm – FLC

A time of food, fun and fellowship! Please Join us! Sign up with Bob/Cathy Harris at cathyharris911@gmail.com

Christmas Parade/ “Cocoa on the Lawn” – Sunday, December 14th – 2:30pm in front of the church, Parade begins at 3:00pm. Bring a blanket, chair... and enjoy watching the Christmas Parade together!!!

Christmas Cantata – Sunday, December 21st – Worship – 10am – Family Life Center – One Service Only

Christmas Eve-Family Nativity Service – 3pm – Family Life Center

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services – 7pm – Family Life Center – 9pm – Church Sanctuary

Lessons & Carols Service – Sunday, December 28th – Worship – 10am – Church Sanctuary – One Service Only

MISSION OPPORTUNITES

CORA Project – Collection **December–Reverse Advent Calendar-Help those in hunger this Christmas Season!** Daily items in the (Weekly Digest) Bring your items to the Family Life Center-Sundays: 8:30am-12pm

Winter Weather Clothing & Accessories Collection – Help those in need get warm! Bring coats, blankets, hats, scarves, gloves, socks, etc. Bring items to the Family Life Center through December Sundays: 8:30am-12pm

Join our Chuckwagon Team – Feed our community! Sign up (Weekly Digest) Bob Johnston-bobjohnston2@icloud.com

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday

Coffee/Fellowship Hour – 10am – FLC Atrium

Chuckwagon – 2pm – FLC Kitchen

Kids Choir – 3:30-4:15pm – Choir Room (Kids in grades Pre-K - 4th)

Youth–Faith Building, Fellowship, Fun – Questions: Kelly Boyd at pumckidsministry@gmail.com

Group for Middle School (6th-8th)-5pm-6:15pm–**Dinner**-6:15pm-6:45pm–**Group for High School** (9th-12th)–6:45pm-8pm

Monday

Knit & Crochet Ministry – 2pm – Room 107

SPRC Meeting – 6pm – Johnson Room

Tuesday

Bible Study – The Christmas Story – 10:30am – Jeremiah’s Retreat

Chuckwagon Packaging – 2pm – FLC Kitchen

Church & Society Meeting – 6:30pm – Johnson Room

Wednesday

Handbell Choir – 6pm – FLC

Choir – 7pm – Choir Room

Saturday

STARS (Seniors Together and Rejoicing Strong) Christmas Luncheon– 12 pm – FLC

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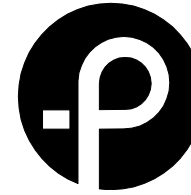
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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Second Sunday of Advent
December 7th
Worship
9am & 11am

December 7th, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent

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Prelude

As the prelude begins, let us center our hearts on worship.

Welcome

Chiming of the Trinity

Choral Introit

The Advent of Our God

by Aaron Williams

*Call to Worship

Advent calls us to travel toward peace –
to believe there’s more than the noise and hurry around us.
We come to listen for that still, steady voice that says, “All is well.”
On this journey, every act of kindness is a step toward God’s peace.
We’re learning to slow down, to trust that peace is already on the way.
The bell of salvation still rings for all who truly believe.
And we believe – Christ is coming, and peace will find us here.

*Hymn #203

Hail to the Lord’s Anointed

ELLACOMBE

*Opening Prayer

**Laboring God, with an axe and winnowing fork you clear a holy space
where hurt and destruction have no place, and a little child holds sway.
Clear our lives of hatred and despair, sow seeds of joy and peace, that
new growth of hope may spring forth and we may live in harmony with
one another now and forevermore. Amen.**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Anthem

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

by Marshall McDonald
Linda Hodorowicz & Tony Contino

*Scripture

Matthew 3:1-12

Sermon

The Polar Express: *Peace in the Unexpected*

Pastor Lucas

*Apostle’s Creed

UMH 881

*Gloria Patri

UMH 71

Announcements

Prayers of the People

If you have prayer requests to share, please let us know at our website: www.pittsborounitedmethodist.org

Offertory

*Doxology

Veni Emmanuel

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Holy Communion

UMH 17

The Lord’s Prayer

*Hymn #230

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

*Benediction

*Chiming of the Trinity

*Postlude

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(*all who are able please stand)

Prayers



Offering

