Hollywood UMC





PRELUDE

Ray Belcher & Mary Jane Seanor

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Church Dismissal

OPENING HYMN

UMH #202

"People, Look East"

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Choral Intro "Advent's Holy Light"

Leader: Our Advent journey begins today with the lighting of the first candle, the candle of

Hope. Like the flame of a candle, may hope be ignited in our hearts, reminding us that

brighter days are ahead. For those of us facing difficult challenges.

Ignite our hearts with hope. People:

Leader: For the end of wars wreaking havoc and pain in our world.

Ignite our hearts with hope. People:

For safety for those fleeing the tyranny of oppression. Leader:

People: Ignite our hearts with hope.

Leader:

in our hearts.

People: Ignite our hearts with hope.

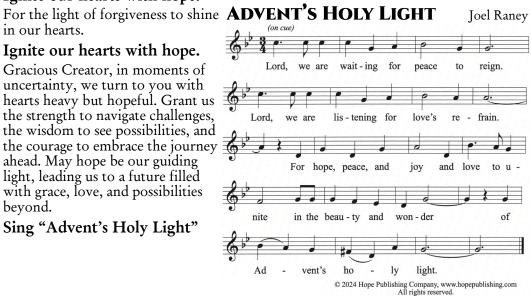
Leader: Gracious Creator, in moments of

uncertainty, we turn to you with hearts heavy but hopeful. Grant us the strength to navigate challenges, the wisdom to see possibilities, and the courage to embrace the journey

ahead. May hope be our guiding light, leading us to a future filled with grace, love, and possibilities

beyond.

People: Sing "Advent's Holy Light"



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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

SPECIAL MUSIC

Ray Belcher & Mary Jane Seanor

"Carol Medley"

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH #368

"My Hope is Built"

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 21:25-36

SERMON

"Preparing for the Light: HOPE"

Rev. Matthew Tate

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH #882

The Apostle's Creed

OFFERINGS

See the back page for a variety of ways to give.

Offertory

Mary Jane Seanor

Doxology

UMH #95

Prayer of Thanksgiving

COMMUNION

UMH #12

HYMN OF CELEBRATION

UMH #196

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Mary Jane Seanor

* We stand in body or in spirit to give glory to God.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS = The Faith We Sing

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for the healing of our church family, friends & relatives

Pat Brown
Linda Coppage (9/23)
Estelle Elmore (10/15)
Brian Frounfelker (9/12)
Johnny Gatton (10/15)
Nelson Houchens (10/9)
Jim & Carole Lupis (6/20)

Kyle Reed (9/23) Sue Rehder (9/26) David Roberts (10/8) Keith Southworth (8/7) Rev. Harry Spear (7/2) Douglas Tucker (10/3) Richard Williams (10/9)

REJOICE ALWAYS, PRAY WITHOUT CEASING, GIVE THANKS IN ALL

Pray for those who are battling cancer

Mike Britt
Tim Buckheit
Christine Clontz
AJ Davis
Melvin Dean
Sandy Denison
Jason Duke
Connie Evans
John Felicitas

Pam Grace
Curtis Graves
Nathan Gray
Harold Insley
Gene Keller, Jr.
Mike Knight
Lance Lupis
Bob Napier
Steven Nourse

Leanne Riley
Lorena Stiefel
Rob Sutor
Yvonne Tabor
Janet Taylor
Denny Woodruff
Sarah Zsak

Pray for Pastor Matthew & Danielle, and Amelia, Simon, and Ambrose

Pray for our Homebound

Robert & Sharon Hayes John Porter

Connie Langford CD & Judy Wood

To request prayer, fill out a Keeping in Touch card or call or email the office.

Please keep us updated on the status of your prayer requests.

Names in bold indicate new prayer requests or those who need extra prayer this week.

DECEMBER

Begin today reading one chapter of the Gospel of Luke each day in December until Christmas Eve. Tune in to Facebook or YouTube each day and join with Pastor Matthew as he reads and discusses that day's chapter. Our youth participated in the creation of Pastor Matthew's discussion outlines! You want to catch each video! If you miss a video, you can catch previous videos on either our YouTube channel or Facebook page.

HUMC mugs are available on the counter in the narthex.

Take a mug.

Place some money
in the jar. Give the mug
as a Christmas gift. Use the mug
during your devotional time.

Use them as your guest mugs. Coffee! Hot chocolate! Hot tea! Soup! Enjoy!







Order poinsettias for Christmas now! There are several ways to submit your order: Use an offering envelope and write your information in the format below; **OR** Scan the QR code and submit your order online (be sure to hit **SUBMIT** once you have entered your info or we will not receive your submission); **OR** call or email the office to place or confirm your order. Poinsettias are \$10 each. Make your check payable to the church **OR** give online; either way, mark it "Flower Fund."

The poinsettias will be displayed on Sunday, December 22, and Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24. You may take your poinsettias home following the 7:00 Christmas Eve service.

The poinsettias will be listed in the bulletin like the examples below. Select "In Memory of" for loved ones who have passed away. Select "In Honor of" for those who are still living. <u>Ask Wade</u> why understanding this distinction is important.

If you have any questions, contact April Benham at 240-256-5818 or missippigirl97@gmail.com.

Permelia Jones In Memory of Her Husband, Miley Jones

James & Mary Joy In Honor of Their Children







PAJAMA CONNECTION

Select a tag off of the tree in the Amen Corner and help provide Christmas presents for local children in need. Contact Danielle if you need more info.



CHRISTMAS OFFERING

This year's Christmas Offering will go to local ministries soon to be announced. All offerings received during the Christmas Eve services will be directed to the Christmas Offering. You can also use the Christmas Offering envelope from your numbered box or give online to the Christmas Offering all month long.



Filling Empty Little Tummies

Thank you so much for supporting this ministry! These are the items we currently need in our pantry for local school children who need food during weekends of the schoolyear.

- ♥ Pudding Cups
- ♥ Fruit Juice Boxes/Pouches

SMTWTFS

Bring in 2024 <u>WALL</u> calendars and place them in the Amen Corner or in the box on the shelves outside Pastor Matthew's office. They will be given to Charlotte Hall Veterans Home.



Stay tuned for January

HOLLYWOOD YOUTH GROUP TONIGHT5:00 PM-NOOM ROOM

We'll be talking about HOPE and playing a fun game tonight!

THANK YOU to all who have donated snacks! Our Christmas Party is on December 15; bring a wrapped \$10-15 present for our white elephant gift exchange! Talk with Ryan if you are interested in sharing a testimony or providing dinner with the teens at one of our monthly Taste-imony nights!



4:00 PM Family Service—Your whole family will enjoy this service!

7:00 PM Candlelight Service—Bring the whole family to this service featuring carols, choral music, special music, and candles.

11:00 PM Vigil—Featuring candles, carols, prayer, and communion.

LIVE ★ WITH ★ PURPOSE

We have reached our goal! Thanks to everyone who sponsored wreaths! Any extra sponsorships will carry over to next year. We hope you'll join us for the wreath-laying ceremony will be at noon on Saturday, December 14 at Joy Chapel, followed by Galilee Cemetery.







WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays Morning Worship Service (In-Person/YouTube) 10:00 AM 6:00 PM Youth Group Tuesdays 9:00 AM Jazzercise (GH) Wednesdays 10:00 AM Wednesday Bible Study (Youth Room) 6:30-8:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Thursdays Jazzercise (GH) Deadline for Bulletin Info for Next Sunday 10:00 AM Fridays Pastor's Sabbath

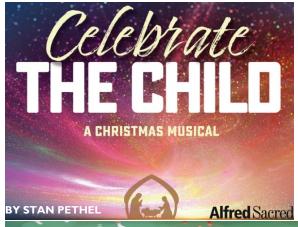
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Jazzercise (GH)

9:00 AM

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Sunday, December 1	4:00 PM	First Sunday of Advent Solomons Mission Center Collection HVFD Christmas Tree Lighting
Tuesday, December 3		Giving Tuesday (Support OUR Preschool!)
Saturday, December 7	10:00 AM	Hospice of St. Mary's Festival of Trees (UMDSMD)
Sunday, December 8	4:00 PM	Second Sunday of Advent Encore Chorale Winter Concert (Pax Pres)
Wednesday, December 11	6:30 PM	HUB Meeting (GH)
Saturday, December 14	Noon 1:00 PM	Wreaths Across America Ceremony (Joy Chapel) Tuba Christmas (Our Lady Star of the Sea)
Sunday, December 15		Third Sunday of Advent Poinsettia Order Deadline
Monday, December 16	7:00 PM	Blue Christmas Service
Saturday, December 21		First Day of Winter
December 21-January 5		SMCPS Winter Break
Sunday, December 22	7:00 AM Noon	Fourth Sunday of Advent—CANTATA! All You Can Eat Breakfast w/Santa! (HVFD) Calendars for Charlotte Hall Donation Deadline
Tuesday, December 24	4:00 PM 7:00 PM 11:00 PM	Christmas Eve Kid Friendly Christmas Eve Service Christmas Eve Service Christmas Eve Vigil



Invite your friends and family to join us on Sunday, December 22, at 10:00 AM to hear our choir present our first Christmas Cantata in several years!

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AYS TO SUPPORT HUA

- The Mail a check to us at the address above!
- The Click here to give online or scan the QR Code. We incur a smaller fee when you give directly from your bank account versus a credit card.
- The You can give indirectly to HUMC through iGive as you shop online!

