

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| Today | Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Service | 5:00pm |
| Tues 12/26 | Men's Coffee | 7:30 am |
| Sat 1/20 | Fish Fry | 11:00am |

Ushers/Greeters: Libby Morgan & Mary Rudig

Our Faithfulness Week of December 17, 2023

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| Attendance: | 60 |
| Contributions | |
| Offering | \$ 2,757.00 |
| Embrace | 150.00 |
| Upper Room | 6.00 |

MERRY CHRISTMAS! The church office will be closed this week in honor of the birth of Jesus. Normal office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

SISTERS IN CHRIST will not meet this week. Their next meeting is January 2, 2024. All women are invited to join this Bible study group.

WELCOME VISITORS: If you are visiting with us today, WELCOME! We are happy to have you with us! We have a small welcome gift for you. If you have not already received it, please see one of the greeters. Also, please fill out the visitor card and place it in the offering plate.

POINSETTIAS are again adorning the chancel area today. Thank you to all who purchased these. You may take your poinsettia home after tonight's Christmas Eve service.

EMBRACE ALABAMA KIDS: At this time each year we remember children throughout Alabama who are served by Embrace Alabama Kids. They have been offering **Homes, Healing and Hope** to Alabama children for 130 years. There are brochures and envelopes in the vestibule. You may mark your donation for "EMBRACE" and put it in the offering plate. Thank you for supporting this vital mission of the United Methodist Church.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Linda Walter

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Responsive Reading

On Screen

*HYMN

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing vs 1-3

UMH 240

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 12:2; Isaiah 43:2; Psalm 46:7

Mark Walter

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Laura DeRoche

*HYMN

What Child is This? vs 1-3

UMH 291

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 1:18-25

SERMON

God Is With Us!

David L. Cook

*AFFIRMATION

A Christmas Affirmation

On Screen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

*HYMN OF SENDING FORTH

Joy to the World, vs 1-4

UMH 246

*BENEDICTION

Please stand as you are able