

**2NDSUNDAY
OF ADVENT
"O HOLY NIGHT: THE
THRILL OF PEACE"
DECEMBER 7, 2025
10:00 AM**

PRELUDE

Ann Farthing

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Erin East

LIGHTING THE 2ND ADVENT CANDLE Bill & Jane Beeding

L: Everlasting Father, we dream of a world of peace

P: Where enemies are reconciled, and children play in safety;

L: Where the poor and powerless find justice.

P: We remember God's promise of a Ruler of Peace.

L: Filled with the Spirit of God, of wisdom and understanding,

P: Of counsel and might, of justice and faithfulness.

L: As we light this advent candle, and we pray:

P: Come Lord Jesus! Open our lives to the Peace which you bring; let us turn to you, and get ready! In the name of the Prince of Peace we pray. Amen.

OPENING HYMN: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" VS. 1-3 #203
Words: James Montgomery (1821) & Music: W. H. Monk (1868) (1
CCL#1163854

1.) Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
He come to break oppression, to set the captive free
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.

2.) He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong;
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in his sight.

3.) He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth.
Before him, on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go,
And righteousness, in fountain, from hill to valley flow.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Josh Lineberry

OPENING PRAYER

Brenda Walburn

O Lord Our God,
You are the God who makes all things possible. We can trust You at
Your Word for nothing that comes from Your Word will ever fail. As
we prepare for this Advent season and the coming of Christ, we
remember Your servant Mary, the mother of our Lord. We stand
amazed at how You kept Your promise to send us a Savior, by
pouring out Your Spirit on Mary to bear forth Your only begotten

Son. We marvel at the love Jesus has for the world by leaving His
throne of heaven to become one of us and bear the burden of our
sin and guilt so that we might be made right with You once and for
all. As we reflect on the miraculous conception and birth of Jesus,
help us see the miracle that You want to birth in all of us not in the
flesh but in the Spirit. Help us to receive Your gift of grace. Give us
a heart and desire to be obedient. Teach us to pray the prayer Mary
prayed, "Let it be according to Your Word." Show us how to say
"here am I, your servant," without pretense, and with a spirit of sacri-
ficial love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Peace on Earth" #431 CCL#1163854

THE DOXOLOGY

#95

GREET ONE ANOTHER

HYMN CHORUS: "Emmanuel" #204
Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel

SCRIPTURE: Luke 1:26-38 Pastor Mary Miller

SERMON: "O Holy Night: The Thrill of Peace" Pastor Mary Miller

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION #12
COMMUNION SOLO:

CLOSING HYMN: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" #240
Words: Charles Wesley (1734) Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1840)
CCL#1163854

1.) Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

2.) Christ by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord;
Late in time behold him come, offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.

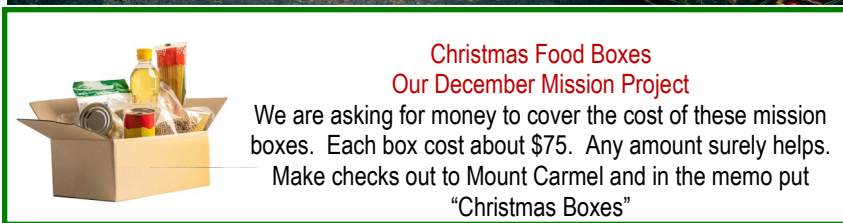
3.) Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings, risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
Born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.

BENEDICTION



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Sun. Dec. 7 = NO Men's Breakfast
 Sun. Dec. 7 = 8:45 am = Adult Sunday School, 9:30 am = Kids Church, 10:00 am = Worship (S) w/Holy Communion, 11:30 am = Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adults
 Sun. Dec. 7 = 1:00 pm = SPRC (D)
 Sun. Dec. 7 = 2:00 pm = Communion Visitation Team
 Wed. Dec. 10 = 10:30 am = Bible Study/Prayer Group (P)
 Thurs. Dec. 11 = 4:30 pm = Cantata Dress Rehearsal (S)
 Sat. Dec. 13 = 4:00 pm = Children & Youth Outing to Tanglewood (Meet at the bus)
 Sun. Dec. 14 = 8:45 am = Adult Sunday School, 9:30 am = Kids Church, 10:00 am = Worship (S), 11:30 am = Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adults (P)
 Sun. Dec. 14 = 10:00 am = Annual Christmas Cantata (S)
 Sun. Dec. 14 = 3:00 pm = Evangelism Committee Mtg. (D)
 Wed. Dec. 17 = 5:30 pm = Annual Christmas Dinner Church (FLC) Menu: Ham, turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, veggie, roll and dessert ~ Bring canned goods to go to Crisis Control
 Thurs. Dec. 18 = 3:00 pm = Praise Band Rehearsal (S)
 Thurs. Dec. 18 = 6:30 pm = Griffith Fire Dept.. Dinner (FLC)
 Sun. Dec. 24 = 7:00 pm = Candlelight and Communion Christmas Service (S)
 Sun. Dec. 28 = 10:00 am = Worship (S) ~ Love Feast

Our Weekly Giving November 30, 2025

Weekly Budget	\$	4,904
Offering	\$	2,615
On-line giving	\$	545
Budget Yr. to Date	\$	237,408
Received Yr. to Date	\$	181,325
(above is corrected amount)		
Behind Budget	\$	-56,083

*Thank you for your faithful gifts.
 Please remember you can give on-line
 while you are away. See information below.*

Our Weekly Attendance

Sunday School: 17 Kids Church: 4
 Youth & Young Adults 13
 Worship Attendance (in person): 58
 Worship Attendance (on-line): 5

Dec. 7 Pauline Mbae
 Dec. 9 Alexandria Bowman
 Dec. 10 Nia Dunson
 Dec. 11 Sue Ayers
 Alex O'Shields
 Dec. 12 Keith Starling
 Shon Saunders



You can now give your tithes and offerings to our missions fund through Vanco on our web-site at www.mountcarmelmethodist.org.



PRAYER LIST (MEMBERS)

Members in Nursing Homes/Assisted Living

Hilda Hege (Heritage Woods)
 Bob & Elizabeth Kuyper (Heritage Woods)

Others with Prayer Needs:

June Carroll (homebound)
 LouAnn Whitlow (homebound)
 Richard Long (homebound)
 L.A. & Jean Topping (homebound)
 Joe Chucci (homebound)
 Wanda Gordon (homebound)
 Gabriel Norman

Mitch Proctor (cancer)~ (Home)
 Rev. Jim Stalnaker (cancer)
 Bobby Darnell
 Jason Gentry (cancer)
 Larry Essex
 Vivian Pursell
 George Glass
 Jim Wheeler
 Kenny Misenheimer
 Kathy Stallard (Upcoming surgery)
 Candice White (upcoming surgery)

WORLD/COMMUNITY PRAYER NEEDS

Mt. Carmel—witness, vision, salvation, joy!
 Uganda GMC
 Ukraine & Israel (protection/end of war)
 Iran, the US and Israel
 Persecuted Church around the world
 Forsyth County Prison Ministries
 Those who are homeless esp. children
 Traveling mercies
 Christians persecuted in Nigeria

