



November 30, 2025

Welcome to WORSHIP at HUMC

PRELUDE

Mary Jane Seanor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* OPENING HYMN

UMH #196

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

* ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Choral Intro: "Light of Light"

Reader: Advent is a time of reflection and renewal.

People: God of light, shine in our hearts and renew our hope.

Reader: Advent is a time of self-examination.

People: God of light, shine in our hearts and strengthen our resolve.

Reader: Advent is a time of joy and expectation.

People: God of light, shine in our hearts and renew our faith.

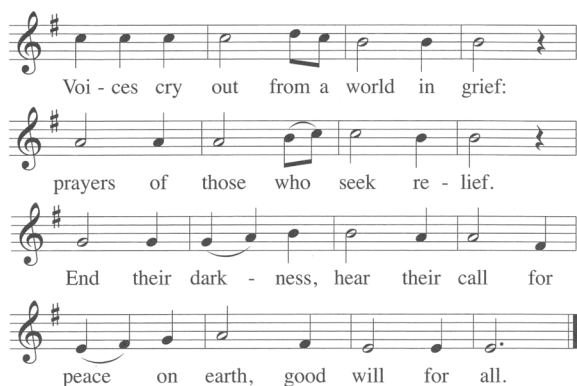
Reader: Advent is a time of service and searching.

People: God of light, shine in our hearts and ignite our compassion.

Reader: Today, we light the first candle—the candle of hope—reminding us that in sending Christ, God sent hope to the earth. Hope for a world free from war and pain, hope for a sense of purpose and belonging, and hope for peace and prosperity for our children and our children's children. When Christ came, he brought us the Light of Lights. Light that fills us with hope, illuminates our lives, and shines in our hearts.

LIGHT OF LIGHT

by Joel Raney



People: God of light, we pray today that you will fill us with hopeful expectation, and that you will cause us to become your children of light. Help us to spread your light into the world around us. Help us to recognize our opportunities to brighten the lives of others. Help us to live each day as beacons of love filled with joy, peace, and hope. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 2:1–5

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Children's Church Dismissal

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Advent Lullaby"

A COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Joys & Concerns ~ Pastoral Prayer ~ The Lord's Prayer

* HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH #213

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 24:36–44

SERMON

Rev. Matthew Tate

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

UMH #882

TITHES & OFFERINGS

See the back page for a variety of ways to support HUMC.

Offertory

Mary Jane Seanor

* Doxology

UMH #95

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

* HYMN OF CELEBRATION

UMH #206

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

* 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

Therefore you
also must
BE READY, for
the **SON OF MAN**
is coming
at an hour you
do not expect.

Matthew 24:44 NRSV

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Lailon Dorsey (10/09) Jonah Miller (7/21)
 Estelle Elmore (9/15) **Don Peeling** (11/10)
 James Fulkerson (5/27) **Tom Rothwell** (11/5)
 Johnny Gatton (8/15) Macie Shumpert (8/8)
 Jim & Carole Lupis (9/15)

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

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.

Pray for those who are battling cancer

Tim Buckheit Nathan Gray Leanne Riley
 Christine Clontz Elana Harris James Rothwell
Joan Compton Harold Insley **Pat Spear**
Janet Cook Joe Jones Yvonne Tabor
 AJ Davis Mike Knight Janet Taylor
 Sandy Denison Adam Martin Juniper van Vliet
 Bruce Dickinson Bob Napier **Rich Winford**
 Connie Evans Cathy Nash Gene Wood
 Curtis Graves **Dustin Plunkett** Sarah Zsack

Pray for our Homebound

Robert & Sharon Hayes
 David Roberts
 CD & Judy Wood

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

PRAYER SHAWLS & SQUARES

Pick up a prayer square in the Narthex. If you would like to receive or give a prayer shawl, please see Karen Melotti. Hobby Lobby or Michael's gift cards are a great way to support this ministry and will be used to purchase yarn. Cards can be given to Karen Melotti. Thanks!

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

You are invited and encouraged to check out one or all of our Bible Studies.

Good News TODAY

Tuesdays @ 7:00 PM
 Youth Room

Kathryn's Class

Adult Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 11:00 AM
 Galilee Hall

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We invite our kids, Pre-K through 5th Grade, to join our Children's Ministry Team for their own Sunday morning Bible exploration. Children begin the worship service with their parents and are generally dismissed after the pastor's children's moment.

Children will return to the sanctuary during the Benediction, or in time for communion. As always, children are more than welcome to remain with their parents throughout the service if you prefer.



SUPPORT OUR PRESCHOOL on GIVING TUESDAY

Tuesday, December 2

Scan or click the code, or include with your offering and write **PRESCHOOL**.



WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays	10:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Youth Group
Tuesdays	9:00 AM	Jazzercise (GH)
	3:30 PM	Ladies Bible Study (Youth Room)
	7:00 PM	Good News TODAY Bible Study (YR)
Wednesdays	11:00 AM	Kathryn's Class Bible Study (GH)
	6:30–7:15 PM	Choir Cantata Rehearsal
	7:15–8:00 PM	Regular Choir Rehearsal
Thursdays	9:00 AM	Jazzercise (GH)
	10:00 AM	Deadline for Next Sunday's Bulletin
Fridays		Pastor's Sabbath
	9:00 AM	Jazzercise (GH)

~~Event~~ indicates a weekly event that will not be held this week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 30	First Sunday of Advent Poinsettia Order Deadline No Youth Group
Monday, December 1	WAA Sponsorship Deadline
Tuesday, December 2	Giving Tuesday! Support OUR Preschool!
Sunday, December 7	Second Sunday of Advent Solomons Mission Center Collection GH/Youth Area Moveapalooza
After Worship	
Friday, December 12	
6:00 PM	<i>The Best Christmas Pageant Ever</i> at HNaz
Saturday, December 13	
Morning? Afternoon?	
Noon	GH/Youth Area Moveapalooza/Reset Wreath Ceremony (Joy Chapel)
Sunday, December 14	Third Sunday of Advent Breakfast with Santa (HVFD) <i>He Shall Reign Forevermore</i> Cantata Cosmic Symphony's <i>Gloria</i> (Dodge Ctr) Youth Group Christmas Party
8:00 AM	
During Worship	
3:00 PM	
6:00 PM	
Monday, December 15	
7:00 PM	St. Maries Choral Arts (First Saints L'town)
Tuesday, December 16	
7:00 PM	Blue Christmas Service
Thursday, December 18	
6:30 PM	HUB Meeting (GH)
December 20—Jan 4	SMCPS Winter Break
Sunday, December 21	Fourth Sunday of Advent First Day of Winter Office/Preschool Moveapalooza
After Worship	
Wednesday, December 24, Christmas Eve	
4:00 PM	Kid Friendly Christmas Eve Service
7:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service
11:00 PM	Christmas Eve Vigil
Thursday, December 25	Christmas Day—Office Closed

HOLLYWOOD YOUTH GROUP

There is no youth group tonight. We'll resume next Sunday, Dec. 7, and we will have our Christmas Party on December 14! Bring a "White Elephant" gift of around \$10 and wear a festive outfit!



Today is the **last day** to order your poinsettias. Use an offering envelope, scan or click the QR code, or email the office with your order info. Poinsettias are \$10 each, and may be picked up after the 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Service. Listings will be as follows

James & Mary Joy	Permelia Jones
In Honor of	In Memory of
Their Children	Her Husband,
	Miley Jones

NURSERY

Interested in volunteering in our nursery on Sunday mornings? We need two people each Sunday. Contact Janet or Tammy to sign up.

Janet McGovern

janetmcgovern88@gmail.com

Tammy Burr

tjburr00@gmail.com



Bring in 2026 **WALL** calendars and place them in the **Amen Corner** or in the box on the shelves outside Pastor Matthew's office. NO desk or pocket calendars! ONLY WALL CALENDARS. They will be given to Charlotte Hall Veterans Home.

WREATHS — across — AMERICA

★ KEEP MOVING FORWARD ★

Thanks! All of our wreaths have been sponsored! The wreath-laying ceremony will be at noon on Saturday, December 13, at Joy Chapel. We will then travel to Galilee Cemetery. Come and help us place a wreath on every veteran's grave!

PECANS

If you ordered pecans, you can pick them up from Louise after service by Galilee Hall today, or call her at 301-863-8359 to arrange a pickup.

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

Silent night,
hold on tight.

Hollywood Nazarene
Friday, December 12
6:00 PM

YOU are invited!



Thanks to YOU, we were able to provide 101+ shoeboxes filled with Christmas presents for children in need somewhere in the world.

MOVING HELP

Stay tuned for how and when you can help us move boxes and furniture as we continue our flooring project.



Filling Empty Little Tummies

HeartFELT needs the **single-serving** items below most of all.

Chicken Cans

Vienna Sausage Cans

Cans of Soup

Thanks for supporting this great ministry to kids in need!



PJ CONNECTION

Danielle is hoping to have tags for needy children available on Sunday morning. These tags will show the child's age and gender and an idea or two of what they need or want for Christmas. Take a tag, purchase those gifts, and bring the items to the church with the tag. Stay tuned for more info.

GIVING ENVELOPE BOXES

Numbered envelopes for next year will be available soon. If you would like to receive a box of envelopes, email Gail at hepp44@md.metrocast.net.

Ways to Support HUMC

✦ Place your tithes and offerings in the plate during worship or mail a check to us at the address below!

✦ [Click here to give online or scan the QR Code.](#)

We incur a lesser fee when you give directly from your bank account versus a credit card.



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