



Hollywood

Knowing Jesus and Making Jesus Known

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



SECOND
SUNDAY
OF
ADVENT

December 7, 2025

The graphic features five advent candles of varying heights and colors (purple, pink, and white) with yellow flames. The text "SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT" is written in a large, stylized purple font, and "December 7, 2025" is written in a bold purple font below it.

Welcome to WORSHIP at HUMC

PRELUDE Ray Belcher & Mary Jane Seanor
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
Sunday School Dismissal for pre-K through 5th grade

* **OPENING HYMN** UMH #211
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" v1-4

* **ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING**

Choral Intro: "Light of Light"

Reader: Advent is a time to turn away *from* meaningless distractions.

People: Prince of Peace, clear our minds and calm our hearts.

Reader: Advent is a time to notice and count our many blessings.

People: Prince of Peace, help us recognize all that is good in our lives.

Reader: Advent is a time to let go of bitterness and resentment.

People: Prince of Peace, make us slow to anger and quick to forgive.

Reader: Advent is a time to spread peace to the world around us.

People: Prince of Peace, open our eyes to the needs of others.

Reader: Today, we light two candles - the candle of hope and the candle of peace. This second candle reminds us that in sending Christ, God sent us peace that passes all understanding. Peace of heart and mind, because through God's grace, we were given a Savior. Because of Christ we can live our lives with a sense of calm assurance, and we can be instruments that spread that peace into the world.

People: God of light, we thank you for the sacrifice you made in sending your Son, and we pray today that you will fill us with a deep sense of peace. Lighten our anxious moments. Help us keep our minds focused on your love and take away our feelings of hopelessness and despair. May we remember that we are your instruments of peace and help us spread that peace to the world around us. Amen.

LIGHT OF LIGHT by Joel Raney



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 11:1-10

SPECIAL MUSIC Ray Belcher & Mary Jane Seanor
"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

A COMMUNITY IN PRAYER
Joys & Concerns ~ Pastoral Prayer ~ The Lord's Prayer

* **HYMN OF PREPARATION** TFWs #2089
"Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice"

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 3:1-12

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

COMMUNION

* **HYMN OF CELEBRATION** UMH #211
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" v5-7

* **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



Matthew 3:2 NRSV

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Linda Coppage & Fam **Don Peeling** (11/10)
 Lailon Dorsey (12/2) **Brenda Pogany** (12/2)
 Estelle Elmore (12/2) **William Pugh** (12/2)
 Johnny Gatton (8/15) **Tom Rothwell** (11/5)
 Jim & Carole Lupis (12/2) Macie Shumpert (8/8)

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 Zsak

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.

Pray for those who are grieving, including the family & friends of Emory Jones.

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.

MOVING HELP

THANK YOU to everyone who helped this week move things Galilee Hall, the Kitchen, and the Youth Room in preparation for this week's floor replacement! As was solidly proven a few weeks ago, many hands make light—and quick—work! THANKS again!! We will need help again Sunday, December 21, to move things in the office and preschool area for the final phase, because that's how we roll! See Brian Getty for more info!

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, December 7	Second Sunday of Advent Solomons Mission Center Collection
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 8:00 AM Breakfast with Santa (HVFD) During Worship <i>He Shall Reign Forevermore</i> Cantata 3:00 PM Cosmic Symphony's <i>Gloria</i> (Dodge Ctr) 6:00 PM Youth Group Christmas Party
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 After Worship Office/Preschool Moveapalooza
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
Sunday, December 28	After Worship Office/Preschool Moveapalooza/Reset
Wednesday, December 31, New Year's Eve	
Thursday, January 1	New Year's Day—Office Closed
Sunday, January 4	Solomons Mission Center Collection Epiphany Stars Service

DECEMBER

Read one chapter of **LUKE** each day of December thru Christmas Eve.

Tune in each day and listen as Pastor Matthew reads and discusses that day's chapter.

HOLLYWOOD YOUTH GROUP

Join us this evening from 6 to 8! Our Christmas Party is next Sunday, December 14! Bring a wrapped "White Elephant" gift of around \$10 and wear a festive outfit! Bring some friends! Mark your calendars for our Youth Event on Saturday, January 18! We'll be together from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM!

WREATHS — across — AMERICA

★ KEEP MOVING FORWARD ★

The wreath-laying ceremony is **THIS Saturday, December 13**, at noon, at Joy Chapel. Come and help us place a wreath on every veteran's grave!

GIVING ENVELOPES

Numbered envelopes for next year are available in the narthex. If you would like to receive a box of envelopes, email Gail at hepp44@md.metrocast.net.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

This year's Christmas Offering will go to the HUMC Needy Fund and Solomons Mission Center. 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](#).

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

*Silent night,
hold on tight.*

Hollywood Nazarene
THIS Friday, December 12
6:00 PM

YOU are invited!



Bring in 2026 **WALL** calendars and place them in the **Amen Corner** or in the box on the shelves outside Pastor Matthew's office by Dec 28. NO desk or pocket calendars! **ONLY WALL CALENDARS**. They will be given to Charlotte Hall Veterans Home.



PJ CONNECTION

Tags for needy children are available on the tree in the Amen Corner. 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 before next Sunday, December 14. See Danielle for more info.



Filling Empty Little Tummies

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

Chicken Cans

Cans of Soup

Thanks for supporting this great ministry to kids in need!

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

Ways to Support

✚ 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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