

Welcome to Worship!

December 3, 2023

PRELUDE

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for signing the attendance pads.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Brenda Chapman, Liturgist

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

All: And also with you!

One: Christ has come! Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

All: This is the faith of the Church of Jesus Christ!

One: When we look at the world around us, we see the darkness of war, captivity, Greed, and broken relationships.

All: We long for Christ to come again and bring light to our world.

One: The Word of the Gospel is that Jesus Christ lives among us, bringing truth and light as a present reality.

All: We worship as those who have a glimpse of that reality, and we long for its fullness. We are those who labor to make Christ's light more visible on earth.

Let us praise God, that the light of Christ shines on in the darkness, which has never overcome it. To God be the glory in Jesus Christ and in the church forever and ever. Amen.

THE MEANING OF THE SERVICE

Brenda

***HYMN** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" (stanzas 1 & 2)

No. 196

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 9:2-7

Rev. Greg Markins

LESSONS OF CHRISTMAS

Chris Jarvis

***HYMN** "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!" (stanzas 1,2,3)

No. 240

CHILDREN'S STORY

THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Greg

THE CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA

Brenda

***HYMN** "O Come, O come, Emmanuel" (stanzas 1 & 2) No. 211

THE PARAMENTS AND ADVENT COLORS

Brenda

***HYMN** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (stanzas 3 & 4) No. 211

THE ADVENT CANDLES

Chris

CHORAL ANTHEM

Choir

THE NATIVITY

Brenda

***HYMN** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (stanzas 1 & 3) No. 230

INVITATION to the OFFERING with "Doxology"

No. 95

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Brenda

THE GIFTS OF CHRISTMAS

Greg

***HYMN** "We Three Kings" (stanzas 1 & 2)

No. 254

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Brenda

***HYMN** "Angels We Have Heard on High" (stanzas 1 & 3)

No. 238

THE CHRIST OF CHRISTMAS

Greg

HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

***HYMN** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (stanzas 1 & 3) No. 234

THE BLESSING & BENEDICTION

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CARNATION ON THE ALTAR is placed today in loving memory of Jack Black who passed away, Sunday November 26. Let's remember Jenny, Chris and Diane in our prayers during this season of loss.

THE ROSE ON THE ALTAR is placed in celebration of the birth of Benjamin Paul Anuszkiewicz who was born to Nick and Megan Anuszkiewicz on Wednesday, November 28th weighing 7lbs 6oz and 20" long. Benjamin's proud grandparents are Paul and Lorri Turman and his great-grandparents are the late Paul Turman and Karen Turman. Congratulations!

CARD SHOWER: Let's shower Clyde Asbury, a member of our church family who has moved to a retirement facility in Florida, with cards of encouragement. His address is: 16401 Good Hearth Blvd. Clermont, FL 34711-8511

HANGING OF THE GREENS/HOLIDAY DINNER: Immediately following worship **today** we will enjoy our church Holiday Dinner in the big Fellowship Hall.

ALL STARS 4 JESUS: Get back in the game and join All Stars 4 Jesus! We have exciting plans for the next few weeks. Come join us Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.-7:10 p.m. for choir, dinner, lessons and fun!
December 6th- Christmas Program Practice
December 10th- Christmas Program Performance
December 13th- All Star Christmas Party
December 20th and 27th- No All Stars

ECCHO NEEDS: Canned fruits and vegetables, cereal, mac and cheese, spaghetti, pinto beans, canned pasta, soup, and household items such as toilet paper, bar soap, shampoo, and toothpaste.

We especially need financial support to continue to purchase additional commodities. Donations may be placed in the ECCHO Closet in the Narthex.

DIRECTORY PHOTOS: There is still time to get your picture taken for our church directory. Sunday, December 10 will be make up day. The photo studio will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the church library located on the third floor.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Phyllis Argabrite
Eloise Baumgardner
Teresa Blake
Sandy Boggess
Dana Godfrey
Amy Herrenkohl
Mary Howard
Fred Huff
Monica Jackson
Virginia Keefer
Brenda Morning
Keith Ross
Chris Roy
Lois Silling
Karen Turman
Doris Wooten

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

SUNDAY-3

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Holiday Dinner: 12:00 p.m.
Prayer Warriors: 5:30 p.m.
SWAG (Concert): 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY-4

Scouts: 6:30 p.m.
Trustees Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY-5

Advent Study: 1:00 p.m.
Finance Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY-6

All Stars 4 Jesus: 5:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY-9

Renaissance Concert: 7:30 p.m.

WEEKLY REPORT – November 26, 2023

GIVING

Needed per Week: \$8,039.15

Received: \$5,216.30

Monthly financial statements available upon request.

ATTENDANCE

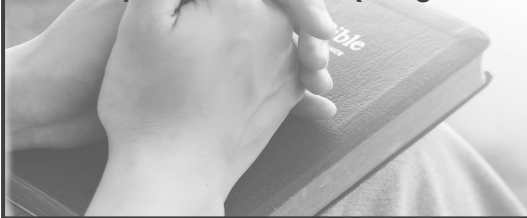
Present: 112

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FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN OUR PRAYERS

Bittner Ballard (Former Member of Steele)
John and Jill Chapman (Friend of Dick & Louetta Jimison)
Ed and Tina Kanias (Friends of Karen Canfield)
Darrell & Connie Shull (Parents of Rick Shull)
Kimberly Westerfield (Daughter of Jim & Nancy Allman)



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UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

10-All Stars 4 Jesus Program
11-Administrative Council Meeting
13-All Stars 4 Jesus Party
14-Singles & More Christmas Party
17-Youth (SWAG) Christmas Party
24-Christmas Eve Worship

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Greg Markins
Secretary: Lisa Rhoades
Youth Director: Ashlee Gallion
Music Minister: Johnna Adkins
Pianist: Lynette Call
Organist: Becky Chenoweth
Custodian: Rick Shull

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WELCOME

to Steele Memorial
United Methodist Church

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BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER

Almighty God, break through and open doors to your new hopes, dreams, and possibilities for Steele Memorial and in our individual lives, and as you do, we will surrender and faithfully follow Christ onto the open road adventure of your new and unknow future. (Ephesians 3:20) Amen.

