

Welcome to Burkhead United Methodist Church!

It is our prayer that this worship service will enhance your faith so that you can have the assurance of God's eternal care.

It is the mission of Burkhead United Methodist Church to be an open, committed, caring community of followers of Jesus Christ who...

- *Witness to the faith by offering God's love and grace to all people*
 - *Nurture people in their growth as Christian disciples in a place of safety and refuge where everyone is accepted and respected, and*
 - *Empower persons to reach out to the world through service in mission*
- ...all to the glorification of God.***

As of December 14, 2021, our Bishop and Cabinet remain committed to our biblical mandate to “love our neighbors as ourselves” and our Wesleyan call to “do no harm” by **strongly recommending wearing masks at ALL indoor ministry activities**, including worship. Following this and other protocols serves as the best protection for the most vulnerable in our community.

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Burkhead United Methodist Church

December 19, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent



Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Chiming of the Beginning of Worship

Lighting of the Advent Candle: **Love**

*Musical Response UMH 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Verse 1

*Call to Worship

Come, joy, lighten our spirits.

Come, hope, lift us from despair.

Come, peace, ease our frantic worry.

Come, love, shine in all we do.

Come, Jesus, be born in us.

Come, Lord, set us free.

Come, God,

Rule in our hearts

and teach us to sing with joy!

*Congregational Hymn UMH 221

In the Bleak Midwinter

Old Testament Reading **Micah 5:2-5a**

The Word of God for the people of God; Thanks be to God!

Special Music arranged by Richard Waters

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

Gospel Lesson **Luke 1:39-56**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon **The Blessing of Home**

Announcements and Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*Doxology and Offertory Prayer UMH 95

*Advent Creed by Lisa Frenz

We believe in one God, who is Creator,
maker of all we see and all we don't see.
Who is Ruler of the universe: Source of all creation!

We believe in one God, who is Jesus Christ,
God from God, Light from Light, true God and true human.
He is one with the Creator;
the Word made flesh, our Messiah: Savior of all creation!

We believe in one God, who is Holy Spirit,
Breath of God moving among us;
Who is one with the Creator; one with the Christ;
our Comforter and our Guide: Mentor of all creation!

*Dismissal with Blessing

Lectionary Readings

Lector: *starred passage, Sermon: underlined passage

Today, December 19	Next Week, December 26
*Micah 5:2-5a <u>Luke 1:46b-55</u> Hebrews 10:5-10 <u>Luke 1:39-45</u>	1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 Psalm 148 Colossians 3:12-17 Luke 2:41-52

Serving in Worship

Today: Ushers - David & Susan Disher; Lector - Becky DuBois; Readers - John & Shirley Hedrick; Financial Officer - Durwood Howell; Trustee - Betty Bewley

Next Sunday: Ushers - Rick Mende & Brenda Raker; Lector - Kathy Lisle; Financial Officer - Durwood Howell; Trustee - Betty Bewley



*We are so glad that you joined us today at
Burkhead United Methodist Church.
Please contact the pastor, Julie O'Neal,
at 336-929-6001, if you desire a visit.*

Weekly Announcements

Thank you for purchasing and sharing the **beautiful poinsettias** with us. Please take your flowers home today. We appreciate you leaving the water trays for future use. Thank you for brightening our sanctuary!

Join us for our **Christmas Eve Communion Worship Service THIS Friday, December 24th at 1:00 pm.**

Invite your friends and neighbors to share this special time of celebration with us.

Address Updates:

- Ralph & Bobbie Futrell -
1199 Hayes Forest Dr, Winston-Salem, NC 27106
Ralph is in room 744. Bobbie is in room 742.
Please send all mail to Bobbie's room.
- Randy & Kathie Clontz Sherrill -
613 Carolina Holly Way, Fletcher, NC 28732

*As days and nights melt into
Devotional harmony within the
Vivid images of our Lord's
Everlasting love and salvation
Nestling our hearts in
The glow of Jesus*

- Steven S. Walsky, December 2013

This Week at Burkhead UMC

Sunday, December 19th

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:15 am - Advent Bible Study

10:15 am - Fellowship Time

10:30 am - Worship Service

Monday, December 20th

6:00 pm - Girl Scout Troop 1929

Friday, December 24th

1:00 pm - Christmas Eve Communion
Worship Service

Sunday, December 26th

10:15 am - Fellowship Time

10:30 am - Worship Service

Concerns shared the week of December 12th

Prayers: Larry's family, Vicki, Bonnie Flynn,
Daryl White & family, Ross O'Neal,
Richard Randall, Lynne & Ed Jones,
Stephen, Brenda Raker

Concerns shared the week of December 5th

Prayers: Larry, Sarah & Tammy; Spencer Willard;
Jeannette Aldrich; Nancy White; Richard, David
& Michael Lisle; David Davis
Praises: Mitch Mende & Allie

Concerns shared the week of November 28th

Prayers: Sarah Howell

Concerns shared the week of November 21st

Prayers: Aaron Shough

Names will remain on our prayer list for one month.