

## Second Sunday Of Advent

Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Chiming of the Beginning of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Second Advent Candle

\*Call to Worship

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

**And also with you**

One is coming who will judge God's people in righteousness, his afflicted ones with justice.

**The mountains will bring prosperity to the people,  
the hills the fruit of righteousness.**

He will endure as long as the sun. He will be like rain falling on a mown field like showers watering the earth.

**He will rule from sea to sea and from the river to  
the ends of the earth.**

All nations will be blessed through him and they will call him blessed.

**Amen.**

\*Congregational Hymn

UMH 185

***When Morning Gilds the Skies***

Old Testament Reading **Deuteronomy 16:16-17**

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

Special Music ***The Coventry Carol*** arr. Mark Hayes

New Testament Reading **Matthew 6:25-34**

Prayer for Illumination

Homily **The Pyramid of Needs** Dr. Terry Blumenthal

\*Advent Statement of Faith Rev. Rebecca F. Harrison

**We are an Advent people,  
a people of hope.**

**For us, Advent is a time of waiting,  
and so we wait.**

**We wait for the coming of the One  
who is the fulfillment of God's promise,  
the fulfillment of hope,  
the declaration that we have been redeemed.**

**Even so, we are not a naïve people.  
We know that the world in which we live  
will continue to be filled with pain and sorrow.**

**We know that hatred and violence will continue to exist.  
We know that death and separation will continue to be a  
part of our lives.**

**But because we are an Advent people,  
we know that none of these things will win in the end.**

**The Holy One is coming,  
to make holy once again  
all that was, is, and ever will be.**

**And in our waiting and our hoping,  
we work and worship,**

**pray and play,  
in all things hoping that peace, love and joy will reign  
in our lives and in our world,  
now and forever.**

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

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*An offering plate is located on the table near the entrance of the sanctuary.*

\*Doxology UMH 95

\*Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn ***Blessed Be the God of Israel*** UMH 209

\*Dismissal with Blessing

\*Threefold Amen

### Prayer Concerns and Praises

Shared the week of November 27: *Harriet Lassing's family, Kathy & Greg Lisle, Julie O'Neal, Jake O'Neal, Tammy, Terry & Lynn Blumenthal, Johnny Hedrick, Doug Glass, Jane Burns, Claudia Kairoff, Laine Bullard*

November 20: *Thanksgiving travel, SPARK, child killed in Raleigh, Diane Womack, David Lowman, Allen Burrell, families of slain VA football players, China Moore*

November 13: *David Arnold, Wayne Linville, China Moore, Debbie Canter, Diane Womack*

November 6: *Zoe Ruhl, Bob & Elaine Opoulos, Imogene Tucker, prayers for Veterans Day, God's guidance on Election Day*

*Prayer concerns lifted during our worship service will be listed for four weeks.*



## **Burkhead United Methodist Church**

**December 4, 2022**

**Today:** Ushers—John Hedrick, Shirley Hedrick, Murray Sink; Lector—Durwood Howell; Financial Officer—Durwood Howell; Trustee—Mike Price  
**Next Sunday:** Ushers—Taylor Crane, Terry Blumenthal, Lynn Blumenthal; Lector—Mike Price; Financial Officer—Durwood Howell; Trustee—Mike Price

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## This Week at Burkhead United Methodist Church

Church Office is open Tuesday – Thursday, 10 am – 2 pm

Sunday, December 4	<b>Second Sunday of Advent and Commitment Sunday</b>
9:15 am	Advent Bible Study
10:15 am	Fellowship Time
10:30 am	Worship Service
4:00 pm	Church Council meets
Monday, December 5	
8:00 am-5:00 pm	Life Line Health Screening
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Salvation Army Warehouse volunteer event at 4303 Idlewild Industrial Drive, Suite 101
Tuesday, December 6	
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 911
Wednesday, December 7	
10:00 am	Knitting Group
Saturday, December 10	
10:30 am-12:00 pm	Cozy Bundle Event with SPARK at New Light Baptist Church
1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Boy Scout Eagle Project Work Day
Sunday, December 11	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>
9:15 am	Advent Bible Study
10:15 am	Fellowship Time
10:30 am	Worship Service
	<b><u>Upcoming Events</u></b>
Tuesday, December 13	
10:30 am	Outreach Committee meeting at Gale Sink's home
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 911 Potluck Dinner
Wednesday, December 14	
10:00 am	Knitting Group
Friday, December 16	
6:00 pm	Burkhead Christmas Party at Little Richard's Bar-N-Que ( <b>please sign up to attend</b> )

More information is available at [www.burkheadumc.org](http://www.burkheadumc.org).

## **BUMC will celebrate a WHITE CHRISTMAS next Sunday, December 11th**

Snow is not a requirement for the Burkhead White Christmas; what we are imagining is something completely different. This year instead of buying white poinsettias for ourselves to decorate the altar area, we are encouraging everyone to buy and wrap nonperishable food items in white paper or bags which we will give to Crisis Control and Catholic Charities for their distribution to our neighbors who are experience hunger.

Please bring your **non-perishable food items** to the church **next Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** wrapped in white, and place before the altar. For those who forget their food or would rather donate money, plain white envelopes will be made available for your use. Checks can be made to Burkhead with "food drive" on the info line. This is just another way that we can help others have food to celebrate the holidays, and do as Jesus asked of us, "*Feed my sheep*".

## **Annual Christmas Party Planned**

The Annual Burkhead Christmas Party will be **Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at Little Richard's BBQ on Stratford Rd.** This is our chance to socialize and laugh and eat some good food.

It will be a buffet dinner for \$18.50 + tax, tip, and drinks. Plenty of good food will be followed by our usual gift exchange. Everyone is asked to bring a small, wrapped gift costing in the vicinity of \$5. Numbers will be given out and choosing gifts will be in that order so you always want a HIGH number so you can have a bigger choice of gifts.

A sign-up sheet is located on the Information Table.

**EVERYONE is invited** and needs to be there for *guaranteed* fun!