December 10, 2023 Second Sunday in Advent Children's Christmas Program

Watchword for the Week – He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs in His arms and carry them in His blossom. Isaiah 40:11

Welcome to our service of worship on this second Sunday of Advent - a four-week season of the church year devoted to preparing for the coming of Christ. Today, we light the second candle in our Advent Wreath. This candle is sometimes referred to as the Bethlehem Candle, the Candle of Preparation, or the Candle of the Way. It reminds us that the One whose birth we celebrate this holy time of the year is so much more than the tiny baby of Bethlehem. He is the crucified and risen Savior of the world. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. He is the One who will return in glory as King of kings and Lord of lords. As we worship Him today may He fill us with His Spirit and empower us to live each day in joyful anticipation of His coming.

If you are visiting with us today we are especially glad you're here. Please take a moment to add your name, address and phone number to the blue Friendship Register as it is passed down the pew. We consider you an honored guest and hope you will return and worship with us often in the weeks to come. If you are looking for a church home – a place where you can share Christian fellowship, learn, serve and grow as a follower of Jesus – we would love to talk to you about joining the Friedberg church family.

Prelude	Cherub Choir	
Lighting of the Advent Wreath		
Hymn	Angels from the Realms of Glory (Verses 1,2 and 5)	
Joys and Concer	ns	
Pastoral Prayer		
Prayer	r Tithes and Offering	
Offertory	Mary and Joseph	

Prayer Offertory Mary and Joseph Youth Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Blue) # 817

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Benediction

The Advent Wreath is placed in the sanctuary in memory of Evva Hanes.

The Poinsettias in the sanctuary were given by David and Valerie Burchette in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on December 24.

The candles in the windows in the sanctuary are donated by Annie Rowe and her family in memory of Ralph Rowe.

This week in Friedberg's History: Did you know the Old Salem Candle Tea began in 1929? This has become a beloved tradition for thousands of people living in and around the Winston-Salem area. It all starts in the Single Brothers' house where people can witness candles being made, viewing the Moravian Putz, singing Christmas carols and taste delicious Moravian bread and coffee, among other things.

Morning Star Soloists will practice in the sanctuary immediately following our service today.

250th Anniversary Church Directory – There are still opportunities to have pictures taken for the 250th Anniversary Church Directory. Please make plans to have a picture made on the following Sundays- December 17, 24, and 31. Family and Individual photos will be taken before Sunday School from 9:00 am to 9:45 am and following the worship service. All photos will be taken in the Family Life Center. This directory is being produced internally so there is no cost to have your photo taken and included in the directory. Since this is our 250th Anniversary Directory, it is important that we have as many as possible of our members to be included in this directory. No appointments necessary, photos will be taken on a first-come first-serve basis.

On Thursday, December 14 Senior Friends Fellowship will have their annual Christmas party in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m. Please bring your favorite dish to share. Beverages will be provided. Also, bring a few prizes for our Bingo games. The more prizes we have the longer we can play. If you have a friend or neighbor who may enjoy our festivities, invite them to attend. Anyone over the age of 50 can be a part of our fellowship. At this event we will also discuss possible 2024 trips. Please call Carol if you have questions or if you need more information. 336-764-1353 or bcknouse@yahoo.com.

The Covenant Sunday School class has prepared treat bags for the children of the church. Please pick up the treat bags in the Fellowship Hall following our service today.

The 2024 Flower Calendar for sanctuary flowers is posted on the bulletin board behind the church office (across from the nursery). Please sign up if you would like to provide flowers in the sanctuary for our worship service.

Christmas Post Office – The boxes will be available again this year (in alphabetical order) in the hallway between the Parlor and Discovery classroom. Your Christmas cards may be placed in these boxes for pickup by the church members. Please contact the church office for addesses for our shut-ins.

Sunday, December 10 (Children's Christmas Program)

9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Children's Christmas Program-Family Life Center
12:15 p.m.	Morning Star Practice in the sanctuary
4:30 p.m.	Youth Christmas Party

Monday, December 11

6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts
6:30 p.m.	Friedberg White @ Faith
6:30 p.m.	Friedberg Gray Basketball @ Faith
7:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts
7:30 p.m.	Friedberg Middle School @ Faith

Wednesday, December 13

7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	News for January Folio Due
	(Early due to Holiday)

Thursday, December 14

9:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
11:30 a.m.	Senior Friends in Fellowship Hall
7:30 p.m.	Men's Basketball

Sunday, December 10 (Children's Christmas Program)9:15 a.m.Band Prelude9:25 a.m.Prayer Partners-Parlor9:45 a.m.Sunday School11:00 a.m.Children's Christmas Program in Family Life Center4:30 p.m.Youth Christmas Party

FRIEDBERG MORAVIAN CHURCH PRAYER CONCERNS

December 10, 2023

MEMBERS

William Boles Phil Carter Al Coleman Tim Conley Melissa Davis Brenda Dennis Emily Essick Jerry Evans Don Faust Mike Hampton J.T. Hopkins Debbie James Larry Jarvis Robbie Joyce Irv Keck Yvonne Lemons Rebecca Mickey Dan Nelson Reba Payne Kolton Pennell Mary Lou Pitts Martha Plyler Betty Sink Clay Sink Bob & Judy Smith Chris Snyder Larry Snyder Jerry & Gail Tolley

Family and Friends Prayer Concerns Submitted Since Last Sunday:

Mike Harrington, Ronnie Hicks, Eddie Johnson, Barbara Koonts, Spencer Parks, and Don Phillips

MEMBERS AND RELATIVES IN MILITARY

Dylan Bundy Dylan Coleman Ben Greeson Jennifer Greenwood Dakota Holtzclaw Alex KennedyJon Eric Spaar, Jr.Patrick MickeyRyan SpachDaniel RandlemanBrandon ThompsonColton ScottAidan Wheeler

MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES RECEIVING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM FRIEDBERG

ARMF (Armando Rusindo Mission Foundation) Safie Braima - Sierra Leone Charlie & Vicki Brent – CRU (Campus Crusade), Texas A & M University Michael and Brenda Brent – CRU (Campus Crusade), Croatia Anna Stewart Faircloth – Young Life Keith Graham - Cookies for Christ Dusty and Christin Harrison – Intervarsity, Clemson University Hoof and Paw Therapeutic Riding and Activity Center Phil III & Eunice Raiford, Commission to Every Nation (CTEN) - Mexico Michael and Ceci Tesh, Ray of Hope Orphanage – Kenya Friends of Moravian Prison Ministry Joey Yokely – Fellowship of Christian Athletes



The Children and Youth of Friedberg Moravian Church are proud to present

"Journey to the Manger"

Written by Heidi Everhart and Karen Hill

"Journey to the Manger" is a program written to help tell the story of Christmas which, never changes, but this year is told as Mary and Joseph journeys along the way to the manger. The experience from different points along the way, perspectives and even things hopefully will slow our thoughts, open our minds and refresh our hearts this Christmas season.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's program successful-our children, youth, parents, teachers, media/sound team, Ms. Debbie, leaders, and our congregation for coming to the service today. We hope you have felt the spirit move in you and will go spread the Good News of Jesus to all you see! Merry Christmas friends and family!



THE LIFE OF CHRIST

