

# Hope



*Nations will come to your light and kings  
to your dawning radiance. —ISAIAH 60:3*



**WE CENTER OURSELVES ON GOD**  
*Welcome to a time of Sabbath, rest, and renewal*  
**December 2, 2018**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

Glade Matters

*Shared moments of information and inspiration about our church family*

Prelude "*Wachet, Auf!*"

J.S. Bach

**Lighting the Candle of Hope**

(Carol & Stuart Clark)

L: The darkness has long been upon us. We long for the light—the fulfillment of God’s promise of salvation.

**P: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light!**

L: The light has not yet come. We wait and watch for the dawning of God’s glory. This one candle casts its light into the darkness. It reminds us to stay awake and watchful, for the Promised One will come to us at an unexpected hour!

Lighting the *Hope* Candle

Congregational Response

*Come surely, Lord Jesus, as dawn follows night,  
our hearts long to greet you, as roses, the light.  
Salvation, draw near us, our vision engage.  
One candle is lit for the hope of the age.*

\*Processional Hymn "*Keep Awake, Be Always Ready*" #112

\*Call to Worship

One/Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**All/People: O my God, in you I trust. Do not let me be put to shame, or let my enemies triumph over me.**

One: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**All: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame. Let the wantonly treacherous be ashamed.**

One: Good and upright is the Lord, who instructs sinners in the way.

**All: He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.**

Prayer of Confession (Offered by all)

**Almighty and Holy One, we cannot begin to count all our possessions. We have things in our closets, our attics, and our basements. We have things tucked away in boxes we haven't opened in years, and still we acquire more. We have so much stuff and yet, there are those in our communities who can fit all their worldly possessions in a shopping cart. We know that you, O God, will defend the poor and come to them in their need. But we, O God, need your forgiveness for we are more attached to our things than we willingly acknowledge. Help us confront our attachment to possessions and things more honestly so we can share our own abundance more equitably. Amen.**

Time With The Children

Scripture Reading: Jeramiah 33: 14-16, 1 Thessalonian 3: 9-13, Luke 21:25-36

L: The Word of God, for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God!**

Anthem *"Waiting, Watching, Wondering"*

Lee/Wagner

Sermon *"Get Ready"*

Rev. Guy S. Johnson

\*Hymn *"Come, O Long Expected Jesus"*

#122

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray...

*Silent Prayer*

Prayer

The Prayer Jesus taught Us

***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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.***

***And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,***

***For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,***

***forever. Amen.***

**WE GIVE OURSELVES TO GOD’S WILL AND CARE**

Invitation to Joyful Giving

Offertory “*Come, O Long Expected Jesus*”

David Cherwien

\* Doxology

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Please follow service found on page 5 of Hymnal “Invitation”

Sanctus “Holy, Holy, Holy” #793

Distribution of the Elements

*(Communion will be served in the pews. Please take each element as it is passed to you and wait for all others to be served. The pastor will indicate when to receive the given element. Gluten free bread is in the center dish of the bread trays for any who have allergies or health concerns).*

Recessional Hymn “*Now Is the Time Approaching*” #609

\* Benediction

Postlude “*Wake, Awake, For Night is Flying*”

Michael Burkhardt

**Worship Participants**

<b>Pastor:</b>	Rev. Guy S. Johnson
<b>Music Director:</b>	Dr. William Powell, III
<b>Ushers:</b>	Jordre’s
<b>Greeters:</b>	TBD
<b>Lay Reader:</b>	Carol & Stewart Clark
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Mason Saylor
<b>Nursery:</b>	Carol Kreimer & Ellie Stevens
<b>Communion:</b>	Ray Hummer, Ellen Garst, Lorijean Turner

**Welcome Pastor Guy & Bob to the Glade UCC Family!!**



The altar flowers today are given in memory of my son Bradley's birthday,  
Frances Cecil

### **The Second Mile Giving for December**



The Religious Coalition for Emergency Needs is a Frederick County non-profit that has been providing residents of Frederick County with emergency financial assistance for over 30 years. The Religious Coalition is the primary provider of emergency services on the basis of human needs, such as shelter, food, medical & dental calls, as well as prescription medications. Coalition networking programs also assist our neighbors in need to avoid eviction, prevent utility cutoffs, as well as funding the eight food banks. The Coalition also manages the Alan P. Linton, Jr. Emergency Shelter, which is the largest and only year-round shelter for the homeless in Frederick.

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### **Food Bank Suggestions for December**

Let's help our neighbors chase away the chill of winter with donations of coffee, low-fat/low-sugar instant creamers, hot chocolate, tea bags, canned soups, and oatmeal. As well as food donations, cash donations are also accepted by the Glade Valley Community Services at P. O. Box 655, Walkersville, MD 21793.



Please join us after worship this morning for a welcome reception in the Social Hall for Pastor Guy and his husband Bob. Light refreshments will be served.



The Walkersville United Methodist Church  
Blood Drive is scheduled for:

**Monday, December 3, 2018, 2:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.**  
in their Fellowship Hall

Call Donna at 301-845-6024 to schedule your life saving  
donation or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter:  
Walkersville UMC Walkersville to schedule an appointment.

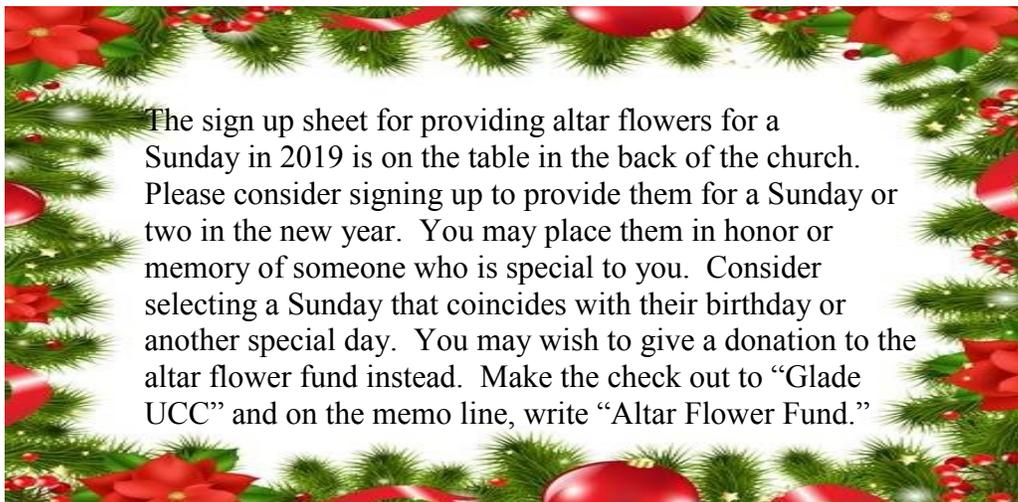
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### **Town of Walkersville Annual Christmas Tree Lighting**

Will take place on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at  
Creamery Park. Choirs from local churches will perform, and light  
refreshments will be served.



The gifts from the mitten tree for the GVCS Holiday Toy Shoppe are  
going to be delivered to the Walkersville Town Hall **TODAY**. Thank  
you for participating in this project .



The sign up sheet for providing altar flowers for a  
Sunday in 2019 is on the table in the back of the church.  
Please consider signing up to provide them for a Sunday or  
two in the new year. You may place them in honor or  
memory of someone who is special to you. Consider  
selecting a Sunday that coincides with their birthday or  
another special day. You may wish to give a donation to the  
altar flower fund instead. Make the check out to “Glade  
UCC” and on the memo line, write “Altar Flower Fund.”



We would like to welcome Reverend Guy S. Johnson as our interim pastor, while the call pastor committee continues their search for our call pastor. Pastor Johnson is a strong, spiritual leader.

Pastor Guy is an ordained minister with full standing in the United Church of Christ. Guy attended Dominican University in Illinois where he earned his BA degree in 2000. He received his Masters of Divinity from Lancaster Theological Seminary in 2014 and was ordained in June 2017. Pastor Guy has served most recently at Hummelstown United Church of Christ, as well as Mt. Pleasant Reformed United Church of Christ and Keysville Grace United Church of Christ. He shares his life with his husband, Bob Davis a career educator, and their All-American dog, Poppins.

He has volunteered his time at the Intelligence Community Pride Summit, Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs Homeless Shelter and the Loudoun Interfaith Alliance. Many describe Pastor Guy as open minded, passionate, supportive, enthusiastic, faithful and prayerful, authentic, sincere and a strong leader and excellent preacher.

Pastor Guy is an inspirational speaker who likes to bring riveting sermons that speak to issues people face today, affirmation for all people, leadership that is nurturing and welcoming, a covenantal relationship that is formed by being fully present, and relationships that are bonded through actively listening.

#### THIS WEEK AT GLADE

Sun., Dec. 2	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:30 a.m. Social Gathering to Welcome Pastor Guy (SH) 2:30 p.m. LDM, sanctuary, classrooms, nursery
Mon., Dec. 3	7:00 p.m. 4-H Club (SH)
Wed., Dec. 5	6:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice (SH) 7:45 p.m. Senior Choir Practice (FS) 7:45 p.m. LDM Activity (classrooms)
Sat., Dec. 1	10:00 a.m. Christkindlmarket SH & Sanctuary
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