



WE CENTER OURSELVES ON GOD Welcome to a time of Sabbath, rest, and renewal December 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent/Hanging of the Greens

Glade Matters

Shared moments of information and inspiration about our church family

Prelude "Wachet Auf, ruft uns die Stimme"

*Opening Hymn "Keep Awake, Be Always Ready"

J.S. Bach #112

Lighting the Candle of Hope

(Shannon & Lisa Jordre)

Reading and lighting of the advent candle Isaiah 60:1-2

Lighting the candle of Hope

O Come, Advent (Sung to the tune of O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)

O come and be the hope in all our lives Though chaos and confusion still survive We know the path of hate all too well We need our God with us, Emmanuel! Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to us And all things shall be well

Anthem "An Advent Alleluia"

Douglas E. Wagner

Hanging of the Greens

- L: How can we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, the King?
- P: With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.
- L: How will we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, the eternal Christ?
- P: With garlands and wreaths of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.
- L: How will we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, our savior?
- P: With arrangements of holly and ivy, symbolizing His passion, death and resurrection.
- L: How will we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, the Son of God?
- P: By hearing again the words of the prophets who foretold the saving work of God. 2

The Cedar Branch Jeremiah 33: 14-16 Reflection *Hymn " <i>Come, O Long-Expected Jesus</i> "	Bonnie Ogg #122	
The Evergreen Wreath Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7 Reflection	Bob Watson	
*Hymn "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" The Holly and Ivy Isaiah 53: 1-6 Reflection Musical Reflection "The Holly and the Ivy"	#127 Irene Weddle	
The Chrismon Tree John 1: 1-5, 9-14 Reflection *Hymn "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" Stanzas 1 and 2	Patty Green #116	
Sharing our Joys and Concerns Leader : The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Leader: Let us pray		
Prayer		
Invitation to the Offering		
Offertory "O Come O Come Emmanuel"	David Lasky	
*Doxology		
Prayer of Dedication		
Service of Communion		

Follow communion service beginning on the bottom of page 5 in The New Century Hymnal

*Seraphic Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy"	#795
*Closing Hymn "Watcher, Tell Us of the Night"	#103
*Benediction	

- L: We have prepared this house for the coming of Jesus, the King, with branches of cedar.
- P: We have prepared this house for the coming of Jesus, the eternal Christ with evergreen wreaths.
- L: We have prepared this house for the coming of Jesus, our savior with holly and ivy.

P: We have prepared our hearts for the coming of our Lord.

L: Now go out into the world with the love of God, the peace of Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

P: To bring hope to a world that waits in darkness.

Postlude "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"

Michael Burkhardt

*Please stand as able in body or spirit

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Worship Participants

Pastor: Music Director: Participant's: Chad Weddle Dr. William Powell, III Shannon & Lisa Jordre, Bonnie Ogg, Bob Watson Irene Weddle & Patty Green

The flowers today are given in memory of my son Bradley, who would be celebrating his birthday on December 6th.

Given by: Frances Cecil

A special **thank you** to all who dedicated their time and effort last Sunday to help decorate the church with the spirit of Christmas.



The Second Mile Giving for December Religious Coalition

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.

Food Bank Items 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. The food bank is also distributing personal care items and would appreciate donations of toothpaste & shampoo.

All non-perishable food items are welcome. Clean plastic grocery bags are always needed. As well as food donations, cash donations are also

accepted by the Glade Valley Community Services at P. O. Box 655, Walkersville, MD.

Most needed items at this time are:

Congregational Meeting & 2024 Proposed Budget

On **Sunday**, **December 17th** there will be a congregational meeting to approve the 2024 budget, update to the By-Laws and to vote on the new consistory members for 2024. The budget was presented and approved by the consistory during their November meeting.

Copies of the budget are on the table in the back of the sanctuary for your review. Please only take 1 copy per family.

Town of Walkersville Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

Will take place on Wednesday, December 7th, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at Creamery Park. Our Glade Tower Handbell Choir will be performing along with other local churches. The ceremony will include brief remarks by Town officials, a community sing-along, and a special visit from Santa Claus.





Glade UCC Lottery Raffle

29 Chances to Win! These tickets make great Christmas gifts.

We will be having our 3rd Annual MD Lottery Raffle again in February. The raffle will be held the entire month of February 2023. The daily winner will be determined by the MD Evening Pick 3 Straight Lottery Number. Winners will be notified by Phone. \$10 per ticket there will only be 1000 tickets sold.



Contact Ron Rough, 301-639-3834 if you would like to help sell tickets or if you are interested in purchasing tickets.

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Jim Ball, health issues *Marlene Turner, Lorijean Turner's aunt, health issues *Wayne Duncan, Leo Duncan's brother, health issues *Roxie Underwood, Frances Cecil's sister, brain surgery *Rod Baumert, Bill Powell's father-in-law, health issues *Ruth Ann Engel, health issues

*Sandy Miller, friend of Bonnie Ogg, cancer

*Lynn Stevenson, Marsha Bruchey's cousin, neurological health issues

*Lisa Andercyk, Lorijean Turner's college roommate, neurological issues

*Becky Duncan, recovery from hip replacement surgery

Firs nday a Sun., December 3 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 a.m. Worship/Hanging of the Greens Service LDM, Sanctuary, classrooms, nursery 3:30 p.m. Mon., December 4 8:00 a.m. FEC Homeschool Co-Op, SH, FS, Classrooms Wed., December 6 8:00 a.m. FEC Homeschool Co-Op, SH, FS, Classrooms 6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Activity (SH) 7:00 p.m. Walkersville Tree Lighting Thur., December 7 6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop Meeting (FS) Fri., December 8 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Girl Scout Troop Meeting (SH) 6:00 p.m. Sat., December 9 8:00 a.m. Girl Scout Activity (SH, Classrooms) LDM Band Practice (Sanctuary) 5:00 p.m. Sun., December 10 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Consistory Meeting (SH) 3:30 p.m. LDM, Sanctuary, classrooms, nursery

- *David O'Planick, health issues
- *Beverly Shoemaker, health issues
- *Ralph Whitmore, health issues
- *Nancy Sweet, health issues



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