

Peace



Prepare
the way
for the Lord;
make his paths
straight.

— MARK 1:3



WE CENTER OURSELVES ON GOD
Welcome to a time of Sabbath, rest, and renewal
December 10, 2023
Second Sunday of Advent

Glade Matters

Shared moments of information and inspiration about our church family

Prelude “*On Jordan’s Bank*”

Charles Callahan

*Opening Hymn “*Comfort, Comfort, O My People*”

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Lighting the Candle of Peace
(Lorijean Turner)

Reading & Lighting of the *Hope* and *Peace* Candles
Isaiah 9:6-7

Lighting the candles of Hope and Peace

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

O come and bring your peace upon the earth
That even now still longs for its rebirth
We seek to live and move in your ways
Guide us to peace and justice all our days
Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to us
And all things shall be well

*Call to Worship from Isaiah 40:1–11

L: Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

P: A voice cries out: “In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

L: Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

P: Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

L: See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.

P: He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Opening Prayer (Offered by all)

God of hope and peace, we come before you in worship with the hope found in you and seeking peace in our lives, in our communities, in the world around us that only you can provide. Forgive us for any ways that we have turned from your will and, during this season of Advent, enter into our lives once again. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8

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

P: Thanks be to God!

Anthem *“Prepare the Way”*

Hal. H. Hopson

Message

Chad Weddle

*Hymn *“There’s a Voice in the Wilderness Crying”*

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Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray...

Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *“Fughetta on “Come, O Long Expected Jesus””*

Charles Callahan

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn *“All Earth is Waiting”*

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*Benediction

Postlude *“Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland”*

J.S. Bach

*Please stand as able in body or spirit

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Worship Participants

Pastor: Chad Weddle
Music Director: Dr. William Powell, III
Worship Participant: Lorijean Turner



The flowers today are given in loving memory of
Shirley A. Wisner,
(7/4/1939—12/09/2016)
Wife, Mother, Grandmother and

A special thank you to Shannon & Lisa Jordre, Bonnie Ogg, Bob Watson, Irene Weddle & Patty Green for participating in our Advent Candle Lighting & “Hanging of the Greens” Service last Sunday. Your involvement and efforts have beautifully adorned our church, bringing in the spirit of the holidays



Congregational Meeting

NEXT 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.

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.

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.



Please join us for our
Annual Holiday Concert

“Go Tell It on the Mountain”

Wednesday, December 20, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.

21 Fulton Ave, Walkersville, MD

There will be light refreshments following the concert.

Please bring a food item to share with the Glade Valley Food Bank



The sign up sheet for providing altar flowers for a Sunday in 2024 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.”

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.

2024 Proposed Budget

There are copies of the 2024 proposed budget on the table in the back of the church. Be sure to pick up a copy to review before the congregational meeting **NEXT Sunday, December 17th**.

We will need donations of Christmas Cookies to serve after Bill's Christmas concert on Wednesday, December 20th.



With great sadness we announce the death of our beloved member and friend Beverly Shoemaker, Beverly passed away Wednesday, November 29th at Kline Hospice House.

There will be a celebration of life here at Glade on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

Our deepest condolences to Carole Shoemaker, Beverly's daughter. If you would like to send a card to Carole, her address is:

Carole Shoemaker—502 W. Main Street, Thurmont, MD 21788

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Jim Ball, health issues
- *Marlene Turner, Lorigean 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, Lorigean Turner's college roommate, neurological issues
- *Becky Duncan, recovery from hip replacement surgery
- *Charles Snow, health issues
- *David O'Planick, health issues
- *Beverly Shoemaker, health issues
- *Ralph Whitmore, health issues
- *Nancy Sweet, health issues



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
Mon., December 11	8:00 a.m. FEC Homeschool Co-Op, SH, FS, Classrooms
Wed., December 13	8:00 a.m. FEC Homeschool Co-Op, SH, FS, Classrooms 6:45 p.m. Bell Choir Practice (SH) 7:45 p.m. Senior Choir Practice (FS)
Thur., December 14	6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop Meeting (FS)
Fri., December 15	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 6:00 p.m. Girl Schout Troop Meeting (SH)
Sun., December 17	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting 3:30 p.m. LDM, Sanctuary, classrooms, nursery



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