



# Fröhliche Weihnachten

A German Christmas Hymn Sing

***GLADE UNITED  
CHURCH OF CHRIST***

**December 28, 2025 10:30 a.m.**

***Welcome Members, Friends, and Visitors!***

***“To experience and share the love of Jesus Christ”***

**WE CENTER OURSELVES ON GOD**  
*Welcome to a time of Sabbath, rest, and renewal*  
**December 28, 2025**

Glade Matters

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

Prelude “*Von Himmel hoch, da komm ich her*” (Hymn #130) Johann Pachelbel

\*Opening Hymn “*O Morning Star, How Clear and Bright*” #158

\*Call to Worship from Psalm 148

L: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

P: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

L: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him all you shining stars!

P: Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

All: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

**\*Opening Prayer**

**God of salvation, we come into your sanctuary to worship your holy name. We sing songs of praise. We bless your name and tell of your salvation. We rejoice in the promise of your righteousness and give thanks for your marvelous works from day to day. Amen.**

Scripture Readings: Hebrews 2:10-18, Matthew 2:13-23

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

**P: Thanks be to God!**

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“*Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light*” #140

“*Gentle Joseph, Joseph Dear*” (Stanza 1—Women; Stanza 2—Men; Stanza 3— All) #105

“*Es ist ein ‘Ros entsprungen*” (Sing Stanza 1 in German, Stanzas 1 and 2 in English) #127

“*From Heaven unto Earth I Come*” #130

“*Silent Night*” (Sing Stanza 1 in German, Stanzas 1-3 in English) #135

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Lead: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Lead: Let us pray...

Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory “*Laßt uns das Kindelein wiegen*” Franz Xavier Anton Murchhauser

\*Doxology “*In the Bleak Midwinter*” Stanza 4 #128

Prayer of Dedication

L: God of infinite love,

**P: May the gifts we bring before you be used to lift up the lowly, fill the hungry with good things, and share the good news of your great love with the world from generation to generation. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn “*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*” #129

\*Benediction

Postlude “*In Dulci Jubilo*” (Hymn #129) Johann Sebastian Bach

\*Please stand as able in body or spirit

**Worship Participants**

**Pastor:** Chad Weddle  
**Music Director:** Dr. William Powell, III  
**Lay Reader:** Bob Watson



Please enjoy the adornment of poinsettias throughout the sanctuary that are provided by members in remembrance and honor of their loved ones. A Poinsettia Garden Program is provided that lists our loved ones and the family members honoring them.

A special thanks to Leo & Becky Duncan for participating in our Advent Candle Lighting Last Sunday. Additionally we thank Paige Kaufmann, and Bill & Mary Scheele for their participation in our Christmas Eve Service.





Many thanks to Chad Weddle, Bill Powell, members from our Glade Choir, Lisa Jordre, Darrell Johnson, Megan Howk and the Glade Tower Handbell Choir that provided us with a beautiful Christmas Eve Candlelight Service this past week.

## The Second Mile Giving for December



**Beyond Shelter Frederick**, our December Second Mile recipient (formerly Religious Coalition), has been addressing homelessness in Frederick County since 1981. Formed by local faith congregations, it provides vital services including emergency shelters, rental/utility assistance, and support for prescriptions and dental needs. Case Managers help clients overcome barriers to employment and housing, ensuring long-term stability. As the largest provider of shelter and homeless prevention services in the county, Beyond Shelter Frederick continues to meet critical needs in our community.

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### **Interested in Joining a Committee?**

If you've been thinking about getting more involved at Glade, now is a great time! A list of our committees is available on the back table. If you'd like to participate, simply add your name to the sign-up sheet. Someone will be in touch with you in January. We appreciate your willingness to share your time and talents!

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### **Lay Readers for 2026**

If you are interested in serving as a lay reader in 2026, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the back table. *Even if you are currently a lay reader and would like to continue, please add your name to the list.* A schedule for the year will be prepared in January. Thank you for considering this meaningful way to participate in worship!

# FUNDRAISER RAFFLE

## Glade UCC Lottery Raffle

The raffle will be held the entire month of February 2026. 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.

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**REMINDER:** Please turn in your ticket stubs and money for the Lottery raffle by **January 15th**. There are still approximately 80 tickets left to sell. Let's set a goal to get them all sold. That would mean we would have a winner every day. Thank you to all who have supported this fundraiser.

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The sign up sheet for providing altar flowers for a Sunday in 2026 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."



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### January Lay Readers

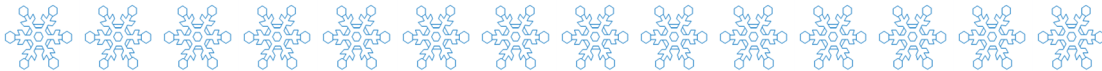
January 4	Irene Weddle
January 11	Bob Watson
January 18	Patty Green
January 25	Bonnie Ogg

### January Counters

Patty Green  
&  
Megan Howk

**Please note:  
The church office will have limited hours from  
Monday, Dec. 29th –Friday, Jan. 2nd.  
Please call ahead before stopping by.**

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**Inclement Weather Policy**

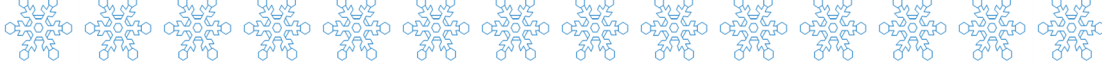
*Sunday morning worship services will be cancelled when the snow emergency plan is in effect at 8:00 a.m. in Frederick County.*

To view the Frederick County Snow Emergency Plan, visit [chart.maryland.gov](http://chart.maryland.gov) and, under the heading “**Severe Weather Information,**” click on “**Snow Emergency Plans.**”

In the event there is inclement weather but a snow emergency has not been declared for Frederick County, please check our Facebook page, our website, or call the church office to listen to our voicemail for further details.

Cancellation announcements will be issued on our Facebook page, our website at [www.gladchurch.org](http://www.gladchurch.org), and our phone line at **301-845-6775**.

While we would love to see everyone in church on Sunday morning, we do not want anyone to risk injury trying to get to church. If you have any doubts about the driving or walking conditions, please make your personal safety your highest priority.

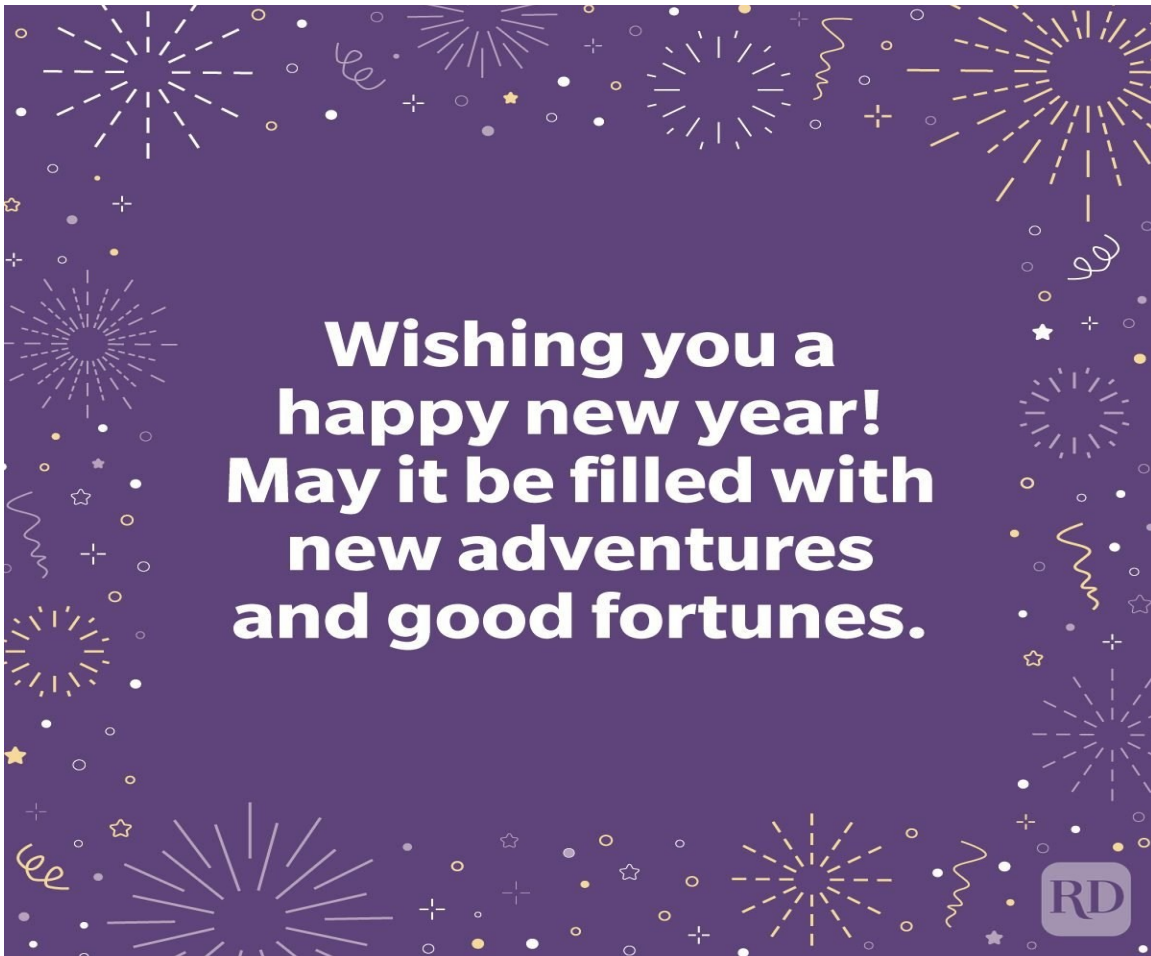


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As we prepare to welcome a new year, we wish you and your family a safe and happy New Year. May God’s love and guidance be with you in 2026.



Sun., Dec. 28	10:30 a.m.	Christmas Hymn Sing
	3:30 p.m.	LDM, sanctuary, classrooms, nursery
Wed., Dec. 31		NEW YEARS EVE
Thur., Jan. 1		NEW YEARS DAY
Sun., Jan. 4	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	3:30 p.m.	LDM, sanctuary, classrooms, nursery



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