

Church Calendar

Sunday, November 29th

10:00 AM Worship Online & in Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 30th

6:30 PM Cub Scouts in the Gym

7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 10 meet on 3rd Floor of Education Building

Tuesday, December 1st

9:30 AM MCLC Chapel

5:30 PM Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall Classrooms & the Gym

7:00 PM Cub / Boy Scouts Troop 911 in the Youth Building

Wednesday, December 2nd

8:00 AM Facebook Live Devotional with Communion

5:30 PM Praise Ensemble Practice in the Sanctuary

6:00 PM Children & Youth Meet in LLL Room & Conference Room

6:00 PM Bible Study on Zoom & in Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM Cub / Boy Scouts Troop 911 in the Youth Building

Thursday, December 3rd

5:30 PM Cadette & Senior Girl Scouts in the Youth Building

Saturday, December 5th

8:00 AM Brownie Girl Scout Journey in the Youth Building

Sunday, December 6th

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Communion Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary & Online

2:30 PM Charge Conference on Zoom & at Saint Luke-Simpson

FUMC of DeRidder will be having their charge conference on **Sunday, December 6th at 2:30 PM at Saint Luke-Simpson UMC in Lake Charles**. If you cannot attend in person, or are not comfortable because of Covid19, a Zoom option will be available. Please watch your email for more details about this meeting. It is expected to last one hour. Thank you to all of our Church Council members, who are part of this meeting, for attending.

Lord, Hear Our Prayers...

Ruby Gibson - 100 Years Old!

Mary Ann Greer
(S. Chavez)

Rodney Fowler
Kelley Allen & Family

Terry Yeates
Abbott Tepley
(E. & T. Tepley)

Johnny Cunningham
(G. Bailey)

John Nelson
Marty Smith

Rev. Laraine Waughtal
Dale Vincent

Marilynn & Bill Kenney
Lennie Hanchey
Joe Ann Lillie

Erik Wiley
(S. Jones)

Gervis Bailey
(K. Bailey)

Joyce & Doyle Whitehead
(L. Schultz)

Robert Lewis & Family
(K. Allen)

Sue Kent
(K. Allen)

John Raimor
(L. Waughtal)

Brenda Cantrell
(S. Slover)

Judy Barbay
(L. Schultz)

Hannah Woodard
(J. Schwarze)

Cathy Lott
(D. & V. Allen)

Kayetha Wilson
Neely Biggs
(M. & P. Launey)

Hurricane Delta & Laura Recovery Efforts

All Emergency Personnel

The Military

City of DeRidder

State of Louisiana

The United States of America

Our World

Our Enemies

Our Church

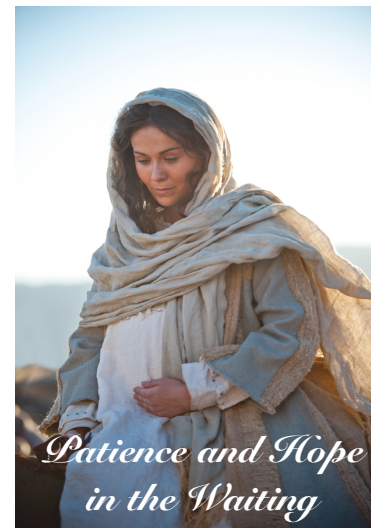
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Our Mission is to Grow and Serve in Christ



"The Pregnancy of Waiting"

Isaiah 64:1-9

November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

10:00 AM Worship Online & in Fellowship Hall

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WHILE WE ARE WAITING, COME
KEN BARKER

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

ADVENT SONG

MARY LU WALKER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

You know what time it is,
how it is now the moment for us to wake from sleep.
For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers;
the night is far gone, the day is near.
Let us then lay aside the works of darkness
and put on the armor of light.
Help us, O God, to be patient in the waiting.
May we find joy in the waiting and the preparing of your coming, and being
born anew in us this Advent season.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH - HOPE

ELIZABETH & DALE VINCENT

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down...

To make your name known...

To be Emmanuel, God with us...

Help us and be with us in the waiting.

Help us to trust, with hope, that you will be born anew

In us again and again.

We light our first candle

As a prayer for our suffering, the suffering of our community,
the suffering of our state, and the suffering of our world,
that You, and your Son may be revealed to us and to all.

Living God, Christ our Savior,

Come to our world, and may we

trust your promises and wait in hope.

(From Advent Christmas and Epiphany & partly written by Rev. Laraine Waughtal)

*HYMN OF PRAISE

PEOPLE, LOOK EAST

#202

WORDS BY ELEANOR FARJEON

MUSIC FROM A TRADITIONAL FRENCH CAROL

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1. People, look east. The time is near of the crowning of the year. Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table. People, look east and sing today: Love, the Guest, is on the way.

2. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there. Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish. People, look east and sing today: Love, the Rose, is on the way.

3. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light the bowl shall brim, shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together. People, look east and sing today: Love, the Star, is on the way.

4. Angels announce with shouts of mirth him who brings new life to earth. Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming. People, look east and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

What do you believe when you confess your faith in "God the Father Almighty?"

That God is a God of love, and that God's love is powerful beyond measure.

What do you affirm when you confess your faith in Jesus Christ as "our Lord?"

That having been raised from the dead he reigns with compassion and justice over all things in heaven and on earth. We are called to confess him by faith and that by loving and serving him above all else, we give glory and honor to God.

What do you believe when you confess your faith in the Holy Spirit?

That apart from the Holy Spirit, Our lives are incomplete. The Holy Spirit is the personal bond by which Jesus Christ unites us to himself, the teacher who opens our hearts to Christ, and the comforter who leads us to repentance, empowering us to live in Christ's service.

What do you affirm when you speak of "the life everlasting?"

That communion with Jesus Christ is eternal life itself. In him we were chosen before the foundation of the world. By him the eternal covenant with Israel was taken up, embodied, and fulfilled. To him we are joined by the Holy Spirit through faith, and adopted as children, the sons and daughters of God. Through him we are raised from death to new life. For him we shall live to all eternity.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

SUNG RESPONSE

O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

#211, v.1-3

WORDS FROM 19TH CENTURY LATIN

MUSIC FROM 15TH CENTURY FRENCH

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1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and nigh; to us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go. [Refrain]

3. O come, O come, great Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height in ancient times once gave the law in cloud and majesty and awe. [Refrain]

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

HYMN OF FAITH

BLESSED BE THE GOD OF ISRAEL

#209

WORDS BY MICHAEL PERRY

MUSIC BY HAL H. HOPSON

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1. Blessed be the God of Israel, who comes to set us free, who visits and redeems us, and grants us liberty. The prophets spoke of mercy, of freedom and release; God shall fulfill the promise to bring our people peace.

2. Now from the house of David a child of grace is given; a Savior comes among us to raise us up to heaven. Before him goes the herald, forerunner in the way, the prophet of salvation, the harbinger of day.

3. On prisoners of darkness the sun begins to rise, the dawning of forgiveness upon the sinner's eyes, to guide the feet of pilgrims along the paths of peace; O bless our God and Savior with songs that never cease!

SCRIPTURE READING

ISAIAH 64:1-9

SERMON

"THE PREGNANCY OF WAITING"

ANTHEM

IN HIS TIME

DIANE BALL

*HYMN OF INVITATION

MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

#452, v.1

WORDS BY RAY PALMER

MUSIC BY LOWELL MASON

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1. My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly thine!

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH

GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN

#672, v.1

WORDS BY JEREMIAH E. RANKIN

MUSIC BY WILLIAM G. TOMER

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God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE

THE HOLLY AND THE IVY

ENGLISH