

Angels Among Us



3rd Sunday of Advent & Cantata

10:20 a.m. Worship Service

December 12, 2021

Ringling of the Bell	Sam Henshaw
Greeting /Announcements	Lay Leader
*Opening Hymn	<i>Good Christian Friends, Rejoice</i> UMH 224
Lighting of Altar Candles	Sam Henshaw
*Call to Worship	Cathy Lichvar
Reader: We light the third candle of Advent praying that heavenly beings will come into our world and enlighten everyone.	
People: We have known angels have challenged us and called us into God's light. They seem to prepare us for a deeper faith.	
Reader: God sent angels to prepare the people for the coming of Jesus Christ, the true Light of the World. This Advent, we ask for God's mercy and a joyful new beginning.	
People: Merciful God, we give thanks that You send messengers to call us to greater faith. We ask that in these days we prepare for You in prayer and acts of holy compassion. Forgive us and lead us to Your light. Amen.	

Reader: Barbara Cooper would like to share with you why angels are important to her...

Scripture Lesson

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Cathy Lichvar

Prayers of the People

Rev. Heaton

Congregational Prayer

Rev. Heaton

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done Your will, we have broken Your law, we have rebelled against Your Love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reception of New Members

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Communion Meditation

Rev. Heaton

Invitation to Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Supper, Offering & Children's Church

Proclamation

"Angels of Christmas"

*Processional

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones (vs.1,2&4)

UMH 90

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Hark, The Glad Sound!

My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord

Joy To the World!

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

*Closing Hymn

Songs of the Angels

*The Benediction

Rev. Heaton

*Choral Benediction

Gloria in Excelsis Deo!

Postlude

David Landrum

(*Please stand as able)

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Be faithful in prayer - Romans 12:12 NIV

Hospital:

Upcoming Surgeries: Jim Markley (12/16)

Sympathy: Tumblin family on the loss of Ray (Bill's brother)

At Home: Bryan Hartley, Pat Price, Mary Kathryn Clark, Florence Roman, Tina Weagley

Care Facilities: *Consulate Health Carr:* Connie Mitchell (PA); *Spring Arbor:* Marietta

Lipscomb (#239); Lloyd Henry (#210); Jean Snider (#144); *Mount Vernon Nursing Center:*

Virginia Ebbs; *Search Group Home:* Steven Dobbin; *Sunrise at Bon Air:* Irene Gates (#205);

Orchard Woods: Phyllis Baker; *Lynn Care:* Rosalie When; Marilyn Stelzl (#112A)

Military: CPO Tiffany McMahan; MMN3 Seth Anton; LTC Tom Crowley; 2LT Jared Castro; CDR Robert Littman

Other Prayer Concerns: Pastor Clay Knick; the Gordons; Jeanne Newlin & Janie Slater; Peggy Gillich

Missionaries: Gregg & Jayne Yarian; Pastor Michael & Lupe Geiss; **Local Missions:** VAN (Valley Assistance Network), The Winchester Rescue Mission, Lord Fairfax Food Bank, C-CAP

December 5: The Youmans, the Newcomes; Barbara Funkhouser; Laura Taylor; Donna; Lisa; troubled ten-year old; families of children killed in Michigan school shooting; Mark Wells; thanks for signs of God at work; thanks for the beautiful sunset; Will; Ali; Connie; military service members; Sharon Croston; June & Tom; Jim Markley; a friend with medical issues; Carlin; Betty; Sharon & George Teets; Billy B.; Todd; Nicci; Allan; Gregg; Grace; MaryAnn; Dee; Sabrina; Jo; June & Nate; Mrs. Barnett; Betty Murphy; Sharon Doyle; Jerry Bennett; Marco Spellman; Paige Williams, Robbin Orndorff; Faye Shirley; Jill's family; Audrey; praise God for using surgeon's skilled hands; John & Ellen; William & Penney Harper

November 28: Christopher; Tumblin family; Faye Shirley; Allan, Gregg, MaryAnn, Heather; Shanon; Nicci; Laura Taylor (Miller); Patsy Dorsey; Dorton family; the hungry; Maegan; Elizabeth Trout; Debbie O.; Susan DeHaven; strong finish to semester for Jacob; thanks for friends; Kelly, Christopher & family; Sabrina & family; Jill's family; Audrey Dorton; Wilson's; unknown; the Ayers; the Youmans

November 21: Lisa Dawson; June & Tom Park; safe travels Gene & Angie; Barbara Adamson family; Chris Dolsen; those affected by sex trafficking; Russell Perry; Elizabeth Trout; Jennifer; Susan; Nancy Black family; Tina; Robert Delay family; Susan Burdette Family; Laura Taylor; Logan, Stephanie & Drew; Fay Shirley; Ray Tumblin; Mark Wells; Ashley Heflin & Heflin family; Murray and Marylynn Smith; Lillie Conard; thanks for answered prayers for Mara and for God's provision; Sabrina Anderson; Max, Kelly, Valencia, Diane; The Ayers; The Youmans; Shannon

November 14: blessings on the marriage of John & Gina Elder; Mary Richard; Gene Renner; Cayson; Faye Shirley; Tom Park(surgery); Tina Weagley; The Ayers; The Youmans; Frank Moore; The Dove Family; Mallory Ivascu Trumbull; Pam Grandstaff family; thanks for a healthy great grandson (Polly Look); me for newly diagnosed kidney disease (Margo Young); Connie; Jim Park; thanks for opportunities to serve; Sabrina, Kelly & Diane; Maegan Cooper; Luther & Lisa; Angie; our nation's leaders; Joe & Carolyn Eshbaugh; Eugene Renner; Jerry Bennett; Paige Williams; Marcie Spellman; Dwight Miller; Audrey Dorton; Roy & Mary Walker; Wilson's; Jeff Newlin

Announcements

Who's Who in The Pew - Member Attendance & Visitor Info - Please fill out the card located in the pews and place it in the offering basket. Include your name and any prayer requests or concerns for our church leaders. If you are a visitor, please include your contact info and any requests. These are also used for any COVID contact tracing needed and so we know that you're aware of our posted protocols.

New Members - This morning, we welcome Kevin & Barb Mosser and Beth Heaton to our KUMC family. Our next New Member Sunday is February 27. Orientation will be at 9:15 on February 6, 13, and 20.

Children's Church - Yes, there will be Children's Church today...Due to the Cantata today, the Children's Church program will be longer than its usual 15 minutes. All children still start in the sanctuary with their family. Miss Vicki and Miss Beth will invite those ages 3-9 to accompany them to the first-floor classroom (across the hall from sanctuary) for a time of story, song, and prayer. All those who enter the classroom will need to wear a mask. Out of caution for unvaccinated children, Kernstown UMC is not yet offering a traditional nursery care during the worship service.

2 More Volunteers Needed - There are four Sundays in January (9, 16, 23, 30) when Miss Beth will be out of town, and a volunteer is needed to help Miss Vicki lead the Children's Church program. Please email Beth for details (elscanoe@yahoo.com).

Advent Devotionals - In light of a particularly troubling year, you're invited to seek signs in the world around you this Advent season through the daily devotional readings from the Society of St. Andrew. This year's theme, "Signs of the Sacred," encourages you to look for positive signs of improvement and healing. It provides a timely reminder that the smallest things in everyday life can signify change is coming. You will find copies in the narthex. Please take a copy for you and your family.

UMW invites the women of KUMC to our Christmas Gathering on Tuesday, December 14, from 10-12 in fellowship hall for Christmas cookies and tea. Bring your favorite Christmas cookies to share and have fun together. RSVP to Doris Miller at 540-303-3135.

WATTS Dinner on December 29. Sign-up sheet in the narthex for helpers and donations for food or money to purchase food.

KUMC Men - Next meeting December 21 at 7 p.m. - Contact Steve Ayers at 540-662-1878 if you are interested or would just like some more info regarding the study.

Christmas Eve Service – Friday, December 24 at 7 p.m.

Calendar December 13-19

Tuesday, December 14

10:00 UMC Women Christmas Gathering

Wednesday, December 15

9:00 BSF (classrooms upstairs)

5:30 TOPS (fellowship hall)

Thursday, December 16

8:30 TOPS (fellowship hall)

7:00 Church Council

Saturday, December 18

10:00 Jubilee Kitchen

Sunday, December 19 – 4th Sunday of Advent

9:00 Sunday School

10:20 Worship (Sanctuary/Live Stream)

Greeters: Helen Baylis & Georgia Poe

Readers: Fred Cheshire & Charlie Donohue

Counters: Roger Hill & Caroline Fields

Children's Church: Vicky Maphis & Beth Heaton

Scriptures for the Week

Micah 5:2-5a; Luke 1:46b-55; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45