

Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church



**December 16, 2018
Third Sunday of Advent**

The Order of Worship of God

December 16, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.



Prelude "I Wonder As I Wander" Traditional, arr. Childers
Johnson Memorial Sanctuary Ringers

* Call to Worship

O sing a new song!

O sing to God, all the earth!

Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,

**let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult,
and everything in it!**

Then shall all the trees of the wood sing for joy before God,
for God comes to judge the earth.

**God will judge the world with righteousness, and the
peoples with truth.**

* Processional Hymn "People Look East" UMH 202

*Opening Prayer: Unison

O God our Father, you have brought us again to the glad season
when we celebrate the birth of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Grant that his Spirit may be born anew in our hearts this day and
that we may joyfully welcome him to reign over us. Open our ears
that we may hear again the angelic chorus of old. Open our lips
that we, too, may sing with uplifted hearts. Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth, peace, goodwill toward all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Candles "Joy" The Kosto Family

Advent Wreath Response "One Candle Is Lit"

Come, festively sing while awaiting the birth,
Join angels in dancing from heaven to earth.
Wave banners of good news, lift high thankful praise.
One candle is lit for the joy of these days.

Hebrew Bible Zephaniah 3:14-20 Christy Spurlock

Epistle Phillipians 4:4-7

* Please stand as you are able

Anthem "O Child of the Nations" Traditional, arr. Helvey

One Minute Message

* Hymn of Preparation "Blessed Be the God of Israel" UMH 209

* Gospel Luke 1:46-55

Sermon "Joy in the Winter" Rev. Terry Deane

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

The Baptismal Covenant UMH 33

Sacrament of Baptism for Ruth Isaacs

Reception into the United Methodist Church

Reception into the Local Congregation

Hymn "Baptized in Water" TFWS 2248

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

* Offertory "Zither Carol" Czech Folk Tune

* Doxology Doxology for Advent Tune: Antioch

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God, the source of all our gifts, praise Jesus Christ, whose pow'r uplifts.

Praise God, whose blessings flow, praise God, whose blessings flow.

Praise God, praise God, whose blessings flow. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn "Joy To The World" UMH 246

* Benediction

* Response "Spirit-Child Jesus"
Spirit-child Jesus, in joyful refrain,
Echoing songs over Bethlehem's plain,
What will we do when the carols all fade?
Take up my song: Glory! Be not afraid!

* Postlude "Joy to the World" arr. Young

Today's Service

Lector: Christy Spurlock

Usher Coordinator: Jim Daniel, Jr.

Head Ushers: Lee Oxley, Frank Hanshaw

Ushers: Marv Jones, Bill Kosto, Selby Litton, Scott & Jean Ramsey,
Alan Simmons, Tom Thompson, Charles & Gale Williams

Media: Andy Turnbull, Betsy Horton, Jennifer Gerst, Fred Herr

Altar Flowers: In Loving memory of William Iris and Geneva Carroll by daughter Ruth
and Gary Gilbert

Advent Readers: Dana & Bill Kosto, & Ruth Isaacs

Call to Worship: from "Touch Holiness" by Ruth C. Duck & Maren Tirabassi.

Welcome!

Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church is a Reconciling Ministries Congregation that seeks to be welcoming and affirming to all people.

We are **excited** to have you worshiping with us today and love that you have chosen to be a part of the Johnson Memorial family, if only for today.

Our Vision

The Vision of Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church is to be a covenant community, transformed by God's grace to share the love of Christ with the world.

Our Mission

The Mission of Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church is to bring others to Christ, embrace them with love, nurture everyone in faith, worship God joyfully, and reach out in service to the world.

Holiday Special Events

December 16, 10:30 AM - 3rd Sunday in Advent Service
December 16, 4 PM - A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
December 20, Noon - Young at Heart Luncheon
December 23, 10:30 AM - 4th Sunday in Advent Service
December 24, 5PM - Christmas Eve Service

Our Gifts and Presence

Sunday December 9, 2018
Attendance and Finances

Sunday School - 45	35.00
Worship Service - 106	9,236.00
Holleron Scholarship	2,000.00
Beravement Meals	1,000.00
Back Pack Ministry	605.00
Poinsettias	95.00
Jim Ray Fund	25.00
In Memory of Janice Jones: Music Fund	50.00
Back Pack Ministry	945.00
Christmas	50.00
Total:	\$14,041.00

Our Prayers

Jane Kincaid
Lillian Byrd
Sara Staats
James Logsdon
Jerry Groce
Shirley Berger
The Family of Janice Jones

Doug Wallace
Sherry Wallace
Joan Gardner
Martha Shortridge
Seth Adkins
Gertrude Zima

*(names will remain on prayer list for
3 weeks, unless otherwise requested)*

Weekly Activities for December 16, 2018

Sunday December 16

9:30 AM - Sunday School
10:30 AM - Worship
4:00 PM Lessons and Carols Service

Monday December 17

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

Tuesday December 18

12:15 Chair Yoga

Wednesday December 19

7:00 AM Andrews Brothers
6:00 PM JM Youth Christmas Party
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir

Thursday December 20

10:30 AM UM Women Lydia Circle at
JM, in classroom A
12:00 PM Young at Heart Lunch
6:00 PM Common Grounds
Cross Roads to cook and serve

Music at Johnson Memorial presents
the Tenth Annual

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

featuring the
Sanctuary and Bell Choirs of
Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church,
Marshall University Brass Quintet,
Marshall University String Quartet,

and the
St. Joseph's School Children's Choir
Dr. Johan Botes, organ
Bruce Rous, conducting

Join us
Sunday, December 16, 4:00 p.m.
A free-will offering will be received

Johnson Memorial United Methodist Church

Corner of Fifth Avenue and Tenth Street

Downtown Huntington

Call 304-525-8116 for more information

Young @ Heart

Johnson Memorial UMC

513 10th Street

December 20, 2018

12 Noon



"The Huntington Federal Band"

Christmas Brunch
French Toast Casserole

\$8

Sausage Links
Cheese Grits
Fresh fruit cup
Cranberry Punch

Call Scott for
reservations;
304-634-8536



I would like to reserve _____ seats for the **Young AT Heart Luncheon**
on December 20th under the name_____.



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