

NOTTINGHAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Morning Worship December 23, 2018 – 11:00 am

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES.....Children

WELCOME, JOYS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP “Luke 1:46-55”

OPENING PRAISE "O Come Let us Adore Him"

PRAYER TIME AT THE ALTAR/MUSIC BY PATSY

PROGRAM - The Not-So-Silent Night"

LIGHTING OF FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE

SONG "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

SERMON.....Pastor Bill Porter

HYMN "Beautiful Star of Bethlehem".....Insert

WORSHIP WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY.....UMH 95

BENEDICTION/FELLOWSHIP TIME

†Congregation Standing

Greetings and Welcome – We’re glad you are here today. Let’s celebrate Jesus becoming flesh and dwelling here on earth! If you are visiting with us today at Nottingham, please fill in the information in the red folder located in the pew. You are Loved!

PASTOR Bill Porter

LAY LEADER: Velena Wheatley

GREETER: Franky Hale

ACOLYTES: Children

ROVING USHER: Bruce Ecker

NURSERY WORKER: Danielle

USHERS: Jerry Sams, Blake Horton, Lewis Safriet

AUDIO/VISUALTECHS: Gary Smith, Aaron Sams

MUSICIANS: Patsy Mercer, Norma Safriet, Joey Bellamy, Jim Putman

Tellers Today - Danielle Calhoun, Keith Blackburn

Prayer: *Rev. Billy Gillespie Family, Betty Frazier Family, Lyle Horne Family, Stacy & Krystal Walters in the death of Baby Reece, Delmar Edwards Family, Gary Cox Family, Ben Cooper Family, Betty McClain Family, Raymond Hammond Family, Randall Quillen Family, Larry Estepp Family, Jenny Jones Family, Michael Littrell Family, R.C. Hood Family, Laverne Addington, Charlie & Lois Anderson, Jennifer Avery, Steve Begley, Amy Bellamy, Joey Bellamy, Martha Bledsoe, Wayne Collins, Louise Collins, Otis Dockery, Vivian Farley, Gran Fields, Sue Fife, Charles & Gladys Goode, T. J. Graham, Virgil Hawkins, Wanda Helms, Kenneth & Patsy Herron, Melanie Horne, Nadine Horton, Shane Horton, Burton Kesse, Drexie & Ken Key, Marian Kurapka, Herb & Lois Kyllonen, Randy Marcum, Betty McConnell, Everett & Jackie McConnell, Mike McConnell, Scott McConnell, Sally McDowall, Shelia Newton, Perkins Family, Linda & Melinda Porter, Nell Powers, Jim Putman, Martha Richardson, Bonnie Robinson, Fern Sams, Norma Smith, Trish Jo Taylor, Tony Vitale, Doris Wilson, Rev. Jeff Wright & Sandy Wright, Wayne Wright, Ray Yates, the lost, our troops, the brokenhearted & discouraged, our President & leaders.*

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Advent - The word "Advent" is a Latin word meaning "Coming". That's what Advent is all about....Preparation for the coming of Jesus. The first candle is HOPE - Ignite within us Hope.. (Jeremiah 33:14-16) The second candle is “Ignite within us THE WAY”.....Jesus is the Way (Malachi 3:1-4”). The third candle was “Ignite within us JOY (Philippians 4:4-7). Today, we light the fourth candle for " PEACE " "Ignite within us Peace. (Luke 3:1-6)

Children and Youth will remain in the sanctuary today for worship. No Youth tonight.

Mendota Worship – This afternoon at 3 pm. Come celebrate JESUS with us.

Bible Study - Wednesday, 2:30 pm or 7:00 pm. Our Advent Study "The Wonder of Christmas". This week's study will be "The Wonder of a Promise". If 11 am Bible Study is more convenient, head on up to Mendota.

PPR Meeting - Thursday, 6:30 pm. Bruce Ecker is chairperson. Members are Martha Bledsoe, Kenita Light, Doneva Bays, Helen Goode, Carolyn Horton, Franky Hale and Gary Smith. This is an important meeting. Please let Bruce know if you cannot attend.

Please remember to pause and pray for our Holston Delegation to General Conference each day between 2:23-2:26 am or pm between now and the Special Session of the General Conference which is February 23-26, 2019. Or, pray any time you choose. Remember also the fasting, if you are able to participate.

Christmas Cards – Please pick up cards before leaving today.

Children's Ministries - Thanks to everyone for your help with the gift bags for the children. You are appreciated very much. The children/youth were happy with the gifts.

Christmas Program - Thank you children, youth and adults for your willingness to participate in the program and be a blessing to others.

Terri Lynn Pecans - We need to finish selling the pecans. There are several bags left to be purchased. Today, you may want to pick up an extra bag or two for a gift.

Family Christmas Luncheon - Wow! And a good time was had by all. Thanks for sharing this special time with your Church Family.

Christmas Outreach – We might need some help Monday to finish this special ministry. Ask Porter/Irene if you have a few minutes to spare on Monday.

Nottingham Gems - Our Christmas Gathering held Monday was blessed in many ways. Maybe you would join us for our next meeting.

Remember - There are Twelve Days of Christmas. Christmas Day is the first day. See the insert and celebrate all twelve days.

Christmas Day Luncheon - Free to anyone who wants to come and enjoy a hot meal and warm fellowship. Held in fellowship hall from 1 pm - 3pm.

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 23 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:00 am - Sunday School

11:00 am - Morning Worship

11:30 am – Christmas Program

3:00 pm - Mendota Worship

Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 25 - Happy Birthday Jesus

1:00-3:00 pm - Christmas Luncheon

Wednesday, December 26 - Second Day of Christmas

11:00 am - Mendota Bible Study

2:30 pm - Bible Study

7:00 pm - Bible Study

Thursday, December 27 - Third Day of Christmas

6:30 pm - PPR Committee Meeting

Friday, December 28 - Fourth Day of Christmas

Saturday, December 29 - Fifth Day of Christmas

Sunday, December 30 - Sixth Day of Christmas

10:00 am - Sunday School

11:00 am - Morning Worship

11:30 am – Children

3:00 pm - Mendota Worship

December Birthdays: Shania Calhoun (6); Scott McConnell (6); Trevor Light (7); Roger Baker (7); Kenneth Herron (7); Ruby Craft (13); Nell Powers (21); Ellen Taylor (22);

December Anniversaries: Everett & Jackie McConnell (23); Lewis & Norma Safriet (30)

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