

Prayers of the Community of Faith!

I would like to sign-up for the following events:

New Bern, NC – Mission Trip

Meditative Prayer Retreat

Administrative Office Volunteer

What are you looking forward to this Christmas?

I would like more information about:

- Becoming a Member of SMUMC
- Love & Laundry Ministry
- Honduras Mission Trip
- Micah Breakfast
- Serving a meal at the Thurman Brisben January 6, 2019 (3:30 p.m.)
- New Bern, NC Mission Trip (Mar. 6-10)
- The Food Pantry
- The Youth Group
- Small Groups
- Heartwood Food Packing
- Children's Christmas Program
- volunteering in the church office

Mourning / Families of: ●Bob Hausafus ●Velma Bailey ●Rev. John Rosenberger

Continuing Needs: Greg Anderson ●Paul Balgavy (R. Balgavy) ●Loretta Bass (Patsy Vida) ●Debbie Carpenter (B. Anderson) ●Margaret Courtney (R. Courtney) ●Pattie Cushing (R. Keene) ●Ruby Duddleson (R. Keene) ●Lindsey Fortune (D. Farrar) ●Jennifer Giannuzzi (B. Giannuzzi) ●Dennis & Connie Hagan ●Mrs. "Clyde" Hambrick ●Mary Ann & David Hill (J. Studley) ●Rev. Wayne Hogue ●Shelley Holmes (B. Holmes) ●Michelle Hutchinson (D. Jenkins) ●Billie Jo Hynson (B. Gmitter) ●Pete Jerman ●Jim Kocher (J. Belako) ●Kyra (P. Vida) ●Ed Marks (J. Clark) ●Dick Moore ●George Nosek (D. Garrett) ●Lisa Holsinger Powell (P. Vida) ●Dian Rubiera (B. Giannuzzi) ●Emerson Rudacille (J. Studley) ●Bob & Claire Runger (B. Anderson) ●Joe & Lita Schepers ●Dorothy & Pastor Bob Van Natta (W. Hogue) ●Amy Watkins (C. Hall & L. Cooper) ●Bob Watts (J. Cover) ●Renewal of UMC ●Ken & Charlotte Stockwell ●Patricia Turley (J. Keene) ●Austin Wolfe (R. Varela) ●Betty Zelloe (D. Jenkins)

Prayer Requests from the week of December 2: ●Bob Watts ●Dale Olson ●our country ●Family of Larry Dean Roberson ●Nova Piper ●G.M. Haney ●Sam Frantum ●Gen. Khalifa ●Lynette Ware

Prayer Requests from the week of December 9: ●Family of Rev. John Rosenberger ●Shawna Bregenti ●Gen. Khalifa and Mo ●Dodie Smith ●Family of Bob Hausafus ●Sam Frantum ●Wendi Trant ●Family of Velma Bailey

Prayer Requests from the week of December 16: ●Sam Frantum ●Dorothy Hale & Family ●Rut Thomas ●Velma Bailey's family ●for those in prison, for justice within our criminal justice system ●Dick Moore & Joe Schepers

Questions for Reflection

Where do you see the light of Christ magnified in your person, your life, and the ways of your family and community? Notice in the coming week one time each day when the light of Christ is made present for you by others.

Household Prayer: Morning Thank you, good and gracious God, for the morning light, for another day in which to live out what it means that you have magnified my soul and the souls of those around me in this world. Teach me the meaning of "Let it be." Show me how to trust; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening Good and gracious God, we give you thanks that you have made incarnate in your world the breath of life, the life of hope. Keep us safe throughout the night that in the morning we may again rejoice and live in peace with all creation; in Jesus' name. Amen.

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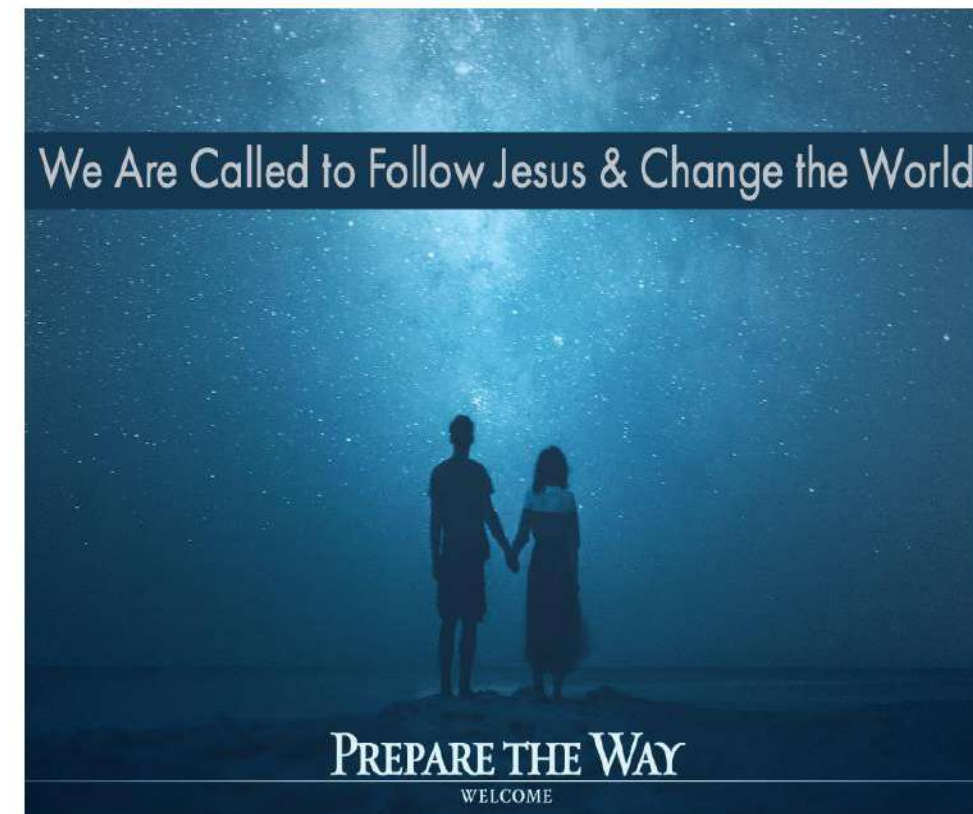
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St. Matthias United Methodist Church
Called to Make Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the Transformation of the World

Worship:
Sundays: 8:45 & 11:00
Nursery for infants to 5 yrs
Kids Own Worship (pre -5th grade): 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship:
1st & 3rd Sundays @ 5:45 p.m.



ST. MATTHIAS
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December 23, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Greeting and Opening Prayer

+Introit I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day St. Matthias Ringers

+ Lighting the Advent Wreath – Candle of Peace

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus, stanza 1, UMH 196
**All [sung]: "Come, though long expected Jesus, born to set they people free;
From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart."**

Reader 1: God our shepherd, you chose a humble woman to bring your Messiah into the world, one who will bring us security joy, and peace. Lord, even children in the wombs of their mothers recognize you and delight in your presence.

All: We, God's people, sing with Mary, "the mighty one has done great things for me. Holy is his name. He shows mercy to everyone, from one generation to the next, who honors him as God." (Luke 1:49-50, CEB)

Reader 2: On this fourth Sunday of Advent, we light this peace candle in joyful anticipation of welcoming Christ's coming.

Light all four candles.

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear, UMH 218

8:30 a.m. Children's Moment

Special Music I Wonder as I Wander Beth McBride, flute
Carole Hall, piano