

# Those Who Serve

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Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

**The people of The United Methodist Church™**



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**December 24, 2017**

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**Christmas Eve**

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# Faith UMC

## Worship Schedule



👏 Announcements and Welcome

✝ Breakthrough Prayer

**Abundant God, we are bursting with anticipation  
to see the new that you have in store  
for Faith Church and our community.**

***Thunder forth your will for fresh possibilities!***

**You say in your word,**

**“See I am about to do something new.**

**It begins now! Don’t you see it?” (Is. 43:19)**

**Lord, help us to see clearly**

**the next steps on your path. Amen.**

🎵 Prelude

✝ Call to Worship

To us, watchful and waiting, a gift has been slipped into our midst.

**A tiny child, born in a manger,**

A gift of peace to troubled souls and dangerous streets,

**A gift of joy to sad hearts and cautious lives,**

A gift of hope to wearied brows and oppressed peoples,

**A tiny child, gift of God.**

Open your hearts; raise your songs.

**Give thanks to the giver; welcome the gift.**

📖 Hymn “O Come, All Ye Faithful” (1-4) UMH 234

✝ Prayer

Loving God, deep in the night, when all the world had locked the doors on love and closed the shutters on hope, you pierced

Doug Adams

Kay Baker

Jim Boetcher

Sherry Brooks

Tom Burkhardt

John & Kim Cain

Dan Campbell

Clinton Cox

Karen Curtin

Shannon Davis

Bobby Dudley

Marlene Farley

Matthew Farus

Chris Flynn

Chad Foster

Daniel Ghrist

Gayle Ghrist

Jim Grosscup

John Herman

Jeannita Johnson

Ron Kelly

Robbie Mack & Family

Peggy McGee

Don Miller

Paul Mills

Jimmy Moore

Joesy Moore

Bill & Judy Muck

Debbie Paul

Jim Porter

Jeri Quinn

Bonnie Reichenbach

Lori Rivercomb

Todd Sands

Carole Sayre

Ronald Shaffer

Heather Shepherd

Shellie Siefert

Stimpert Family

Family of Pam Thomas

Sharyn & Harold Tucker

Erin Watts

Don West

Tara Wilson

Vicky & Don Wolfe

Logan Wolford

Melissa Wood

Peace, Faith UMC, the homeless, abused, sick, imprisoned, those who have not yet accepted Christ and those who only minimally follow the teachings of Christ.

Medical Faith shut-ins:  
Kathleen McCutcheon and  
Frances Johnson.








# Upcoming

EVENTS

Sunday, December 24	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Candlelight Service	7:00 PM
Sunday, December 31	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday, January 7	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday, January 14	
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
New Hope Circle	6:30PM
Tuesday, January 16	
Finance Committee	6:00PM
Leadership Committee	6:45PM
Sunday, January 21	
Sunday School	9:30AM
Worship	10:30AM
Sunday, January 28	
Sunday School	9:30AM
Worship	10:30AM
Sunday, February 4	
Sunday School	9:30AM
Worship	10:30AM

the darkness with Light and a baby's cry. Never again shall we be alone. No more shall we sit in fear. For Christ, the Light of the World and of our lives, is born.



God of angels and babies, open us once again to this miracle, this wonder that you became one with us. Let the angels sing for us; let the star shine for us; let the child smile at us -- here and now on this holy night. Amen.

	Lighting of Advent Candles	
	Call to Prayer "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"	UMH 204
	Pastoral Prayer	
	The Lord's Prayer	UMH 270
	Giving of our Tithes and Offerings	
	"The Doxology"	UMH 95
	Prayer of Dedication	

Holy One, as we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child, we seek to honor you with these monetary gifts. We know that everything in this world is a gift from you, O God, so we humbly return a generous portion of these gifts to you. We pray that these gifts may help this church to change people's lives and to spread your message of salvation. In the name of the Babe lying in the manger, we pray. Amen.

	Hymn "Joy to the World"	UMH 246
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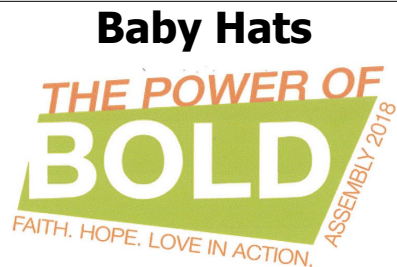
## Manger Danger Scripture Lesson: Luke 2:1-14 Pastor Joy Wigal

	Hymn "Silent Night"	UMH 239
	Benediction	

May the grace of God be on all of us this Christmas Eve!

**May the blessing of Christ follow us home tonight; may we awaken with that blessing in our hearts when we rise; may we greet all we meet with a carol on our lips, with joy in our hearts, and a kind thought in our minds.**

May the full blessing of Christmas, of Christ come to live among us, bring you hope and enfold you with peace as you lie down to sleep tonight, and may you awake with great joy for our Savior has indeed come. **Amen.**



The Assembly planners are inviting United Methodist Women who have skills in knitting, crocheting or sewing to create baby hats for those in need. The baby hats may be made from fabric, fleece or yarn. You may use a pattern you have or if you need a pattern contact Marsha Kelly and she will share her patterns for fabric or fleece.

We will have a blessing of the hats before we take them to the Assembly. That date will be announced later.

Some of the hats will be displayed in the Assembly prayer and meditation room. At the end of the Assembly the baby hats will be distributed to those in need through the Maternal Health network.

## Upcoming Liturgists

December 31—Nick Howard

January 7—Marsha Kelly

January 14—Barb Wolfe

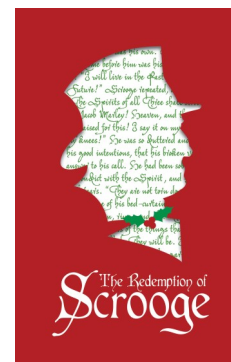
January 21—Roberta Covert

January 28—Lari Harper

## Eventide Circle

Eventide Circle donated 72 pair of socks to the Free Store. Thank you to all who made a contribution.

## Advent Book Study



This Christmas, we will take a look at a classic Christmas tale from a fresh Christian perspective through Charles Dickens' novel, *A Christmas Carol*, with the resource, *The Redemption of Scrooge*, by Matt Rawle. Meetings will take place on Wednesdays at 6:30pm at Faith UMC. (Study Books will be available at both churches.) All are welcome! We have some very insightful discussion so I hope you will consider participating.