



3RD SUNDAY IN ADVENT — JOY · SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH 2024 · 11:00 AM

Prelude *The King Is Coming* JoAnn Pendley
Welcome & Announcements Wade Cash

WE APPROACH GOD -----

Invocation Wade Cash
Call to Worship Wade Cash

Leader: Father, our soles proclaim your greatness.
People: And our spirits rejoice in you.
Leader: Father, we will praise you as long as we live.
People: We will sing praises to you our whole lives long.
Leader: We will not trust in the power of this world.
Everyone: But we will trust in You, our Creator.

Leader: The one who gives living water to the perished, and bread of life to the hungry.
**Everyone: As we worship You in this place, our souls proclaim Your greatness
as we light these candles of hope, peace, and joy. Amen!**

†Opening Hymn #31. *Hark the Herald Angels Sing* JoAnn Pendley
†Call to Confession Wade Cash
†Prayer of Confession Wade Cash

Mighty and powerful God, your word says, “Rejoice always.” But we would rather sulk about the things that don’t go right. Your word says, “Pray without ceasing.” But we go for days without even thinking about You. Your word says, “Give thanks in all circumstances.” But our thankfulness is fleeting, because we think we deserve blessings. Your word says, “Hold fast to what is good,” while we hold fast to sinful ways of thinking and acting. Father forgive us for not following your direction and Your council.

Moment of Silent Confession Wade Cash
Assurance of Forgiveness Wade Cash

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Third Advent Candle - JOY	D.W. & Beth Miller
Advent Song - 3rd Verse	Melissa Swisher
Advent Prayer.	Wade Cash
Anthem	<i>The Soul Gives Glory to My God.</i> Bethel Choir
Prayer of Illumination	Pastor Derek
Time with Young People {John 1:14}	<i>Unfailing Love Equals Joy</i> Pastor Derek
Scripture Reading {John 1:14}	Pastor Derek
Sermon	<i>Joy Is the Oil of Life.</i> Pastor Derek

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

†Hymn of Reflection #38	<i>It Came Upon a Midnight Clear</i> JoAnn Pendley
†Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles Creed	Wade Cash

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His Only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Joys & Concerns	Wade Cash
Prayers of the People	Pastor Derek
Amen #601	Wade Cash

RECEPTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Offertory	<i>A Legend</i> JoAnn Pendley
Doxology #606	
†Closing Hymn #29	<i>Go Tell It on The Mountain</i> JoAnn Pendley
†Charge & Benediction.	Pastor Derek
Postlude	<i>Grand March</i> JoAnn Pendley

– GYPSY HILL PARK – Celebration of Holiday Lights

(Bethel display is between the train and the gazebo)

Christmas Eve Service — Christmas Eve @ 8:00 — a Service of Scripture & Song

Refreshments after church today!

Advent Song

2090

C C/E G7 G7 G7 G7 G7 C

1. Light the Ad - vent can - dle, one: Now the wait - ing has be - gun;
 2. Light the Ad - vent can - dle, two: Think of hum - ble shep - herds, who
 3. Light the Ad - vent can - dle, three: Think of heaven - ly har - mo - ny;
 4. Light the Ad - vent can - dle, four: Think of joy for - ev - er - more;
 5. Light the Christ - mas can - dles, now: Sing of don - key, sheep, and cow;

E E7 Am F C/E C G7 G7

we have start - ed on our way, time to think of Christ - mas day.
 filled with won - der at the sight of the child of Christ - mas night.
 an - gels sing - ing "Peace on earth" at the bless - ed Sav - ior's birth.
 Christ Child in a sta - ble born, gift of love that Christ - mas morn.
 birth - day can - dles for the King, let the al - le - lu - ias ring.

Refrain
C C/E G7 G7 G7 G7 G7 C

Can - dle, can - dle, burn - ing bright, shin - ing in the cold win - ter night;

E E7 Am F C/E C G7 C

can - dle, can - dle, burn - ing bright, fill our hearts with Christ - mas light.

POINSETTIAS

given in memory

IN MEMORY OF
RAY DIAMOND

GIVEN BY
STEPHANIE RIVERS

IN MEMORY OF
OUR GRANDPARENTS

GIVEN BY
BRIAN & PENNY LEE

IN MEMORY OF
JUDY MCCRAY

GIVEN BY
DAVE & BETTY SCHOOLEY

IN MEMORY OF
JR. & NANCY CASH

GIVEN BY
WADE & PHYLLIS CASH

IN MEMORY OF
**COL. (USA RET.) & MRS.
DOW S. GRONES, JR.**

GIVEN BY
THE LEONARD FAMILY

IN MEMORY OF
EMILY LAW KINSLING

GIVEN BY
BOB & JACKIE LAW

IN MEMORY OF
KENITH & VERNA DOYLE

GIVEN BY
WADE & PHYLLIS CASH

IN MEMORY OF
GORDON K. LEONARD, SR.

GIVEN BY
THE LEONARD FAMILY

IN MEMORY OF
DANNY & LOUALE ALMARODE

GIVEN BY
DEREK, CINDY & ASHLYN

IN MEMORY OF
JAMES WILHITE

GIVEN BY
NELLIE GLENN & GINNY PICKETT

IN MEMORY OF
OUR PARENTS

GIVEN BY
DALE & LIBBY SMITH

IN MEMORY OF
RICHARD WHITESELL

GIVEN BY
DEREK, CINDY & ASHLYN

IN MEMORY OF
BELINDA WILHITE

GIVEN BY
NELLIE GLENN & GINNY PICKETT

IN MEMORY OF
**MARY WILLIAMS
DRANSFIELD**

GIVEN BY
HER FAMILY

IN MEMORY OF
NATHANIEL LANE ALMARODE

GIVEN BY
HIS PARENTS & SISTER

IN MEMORY OF
**VIRGINIA DICKINSON
FRANCISCO**

GIVEN BY
BILL FRANCISCO

IN MEMORY OF
DR. H. LYNN & ELOISE MOORE

GIVEN BY
FAMILY

IN MEMORY OF
ALLEN QUICK

GIVEN BY
PAT QUICK

IN MEMORY OF
FRED S. & CLEO HANGER

GIVEN BY
JIM & CAROLE HINTON

IN MEMORY OF
MR. & MRS. CARLISLE NEFF

GIVEN BY
PAT QUICK

IN MEMORY OF
VIRGINIA K. HINTON

GIVEN BY
JIM & CAROLE HINTON

IN MEMORY OF
MILTON & CAROL SCHOOLEY

GIVEN BY
DAVE & BETTY SCHOOLEY

IN MEMORY OF
WARREN & BETTY ROSS

GIVEN BY
JOHN ROSS



POINSETTIAS

given in memory

IN MEMORY OF
**ELMER KYLE &
BETTY KYLE OTT**
(STEVE'S PARENTS)

GIVEN BY
STEVE & MO KYLE

IN MEMORY OF
R.W. & MOGGIE MOFFETT
(MO'S PARENTS)

GIVEN BY
STEVE & MO KYLE

IN MEMORY OF
MR. & MRS. STEPHEN GANO
GIVEN BY
DAN & GINNY GANO

IN MEMORY OF
COL & MRS. JAMES BUNDY
GIVEN BY
DAN & GINNY GANO

IN MEMORY OF
COL. & MRS. TERRENCE SHAW
GIVEN BY
DAN & GINNY GANO

POINSETTIAS

given in honor

IN HONOR OF
**ASHLEY, ISAAC &
MARGARET WREN NELSON**
GIVEN BY
STEVE & MO KYLE

IN HONOR OF
PAT QUICK
GIVEN BY
KAY & ANNIE SWISHER

IN HONOR OF
BILL & SALLY BRUBECK
GIVEN BY
KAY & ANNIE SWISHER

IN HONOR OF
OUR FAMILY
GIVEN BY
BRIAN & PENNY LEE

IN HONOR OF
DALE & LIBBY SMITH
GIVEN BY
KAY & ANNIE SWISHER

IN HONOR OF
BILL & MARGARET WADE
GIVEN BY
MARK & PAM WADE

IN HONOR OF
SUE WHITESELL
GIVEN BY
DEREK, CINDY
& ASHLYN ALMARODE

BERF DONATIONS

given by

JIM GIBSON
NANCY WEBSTER
KARMAN & MAC
WILLIAMS

given in memory

IN MEMORY OF
FAMILY
GIVEN BY
GLORIA LANDES

IN MEMORY OF
MEAGAN HOY
GIVEN BY
BOB & LOUISE HOY

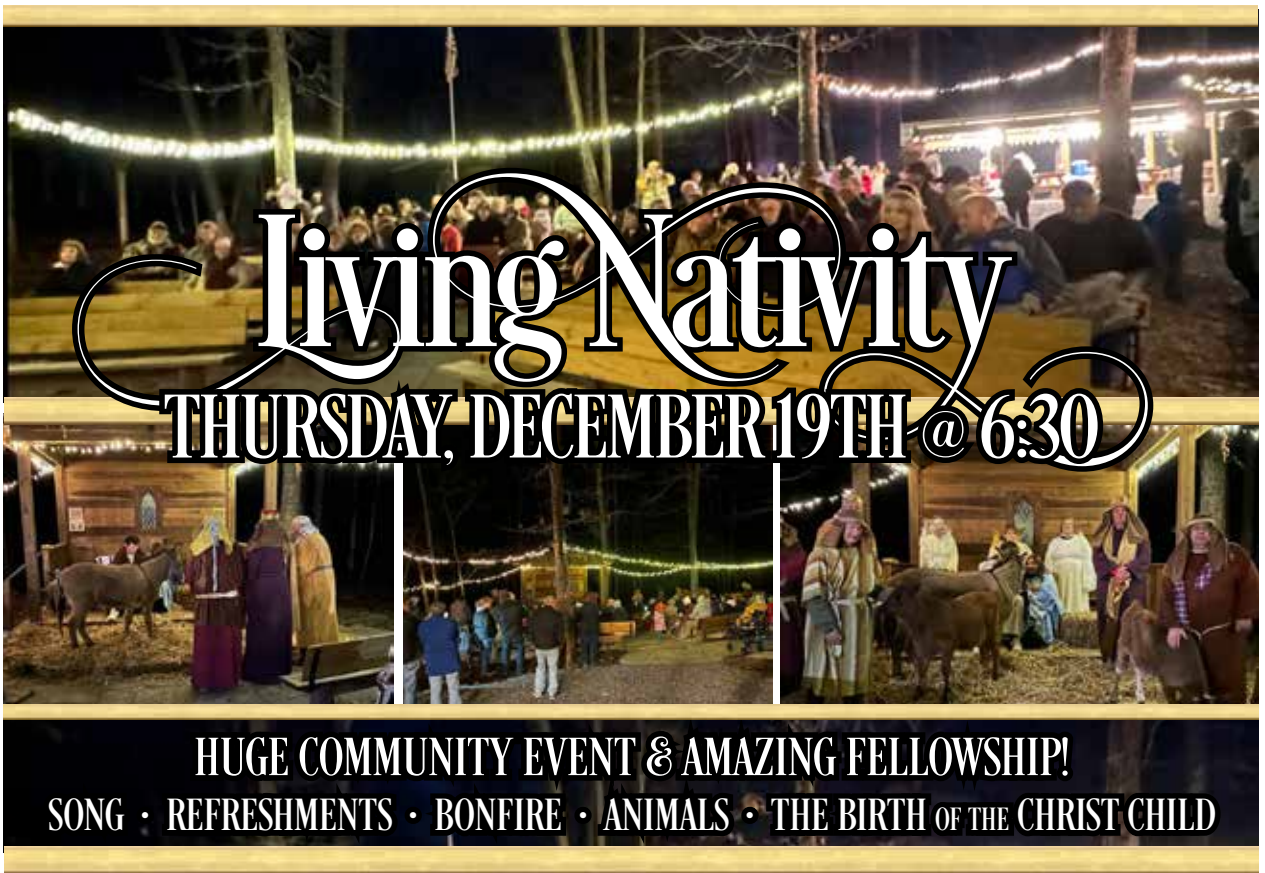
given in honor

IN HONOR OF
NANCY DIAMOND
GIVEN BY
STEPHANIE RIVERS

IN HONOR OF
BETHEL CHURCH FAMILY
GIVEN BY
JOHN ROSS

IN HONOR OF
BETHEL FAMILY
GIVEN BY
THE ALMARODES





Living Nativity

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19TH @ 6:30

HUGE COMMUNITY EVENT & AMAZING FELLOWSHIP!

SONG · REFRESHMENTS · BONFIRE · ANIMALS · THE BIRTH OF THE CHRIST CHILD

Dear Friends,

2025 Stewardship Drive

It is the season of “giving”! It is also the season when we make a pledge to serve our Lord in His ministry at Bethel by using our talents and pledging our finances. Bethel is home to the most passionate followers of Christ. As we seek to begin our 279th Year of ministry together, we must jointly commit to the physical and spiritual health of our beloved church as we focus on her mission and her vision. Through the prayerful giving of our time, talent, and finances, together Bethel will continue to serve Christ in our community, both diligently and faithfully.

Always remember, as Christ’s disciples, our giving is not a debt we owe; it is a seed we sow in His glorious name. We have heard Derek say before, we can give anonymously as followers of Christ without loving, but that is not the example of Jesus’ life, ministry, and ultimately His death. It also is not what He instructs or expects. Derek finished by saying, if we are to follow Christ example and His instructions “to love as we have loved”, then we must love unconditionally through our giving. Giving is one of the greatest accolades of our Savior Jesus Christ. It is also one of our greatest duties.

Please prayerfully consider how you can contribute to Bethel in the coming year. Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to our committee or specific individuals that make up our committee. (Brian Lee, Wade Cash, Dave Schooley, Charlie Johnson)

In Christ, Stewardship Committee

lift up in prayer

Bethel Leadership and Our Bethel Church Family

Peyton & Justin Branch | Bill Brubeck | Dale Burke | Doris Cason
John Davis | Yvonne Eisenberg | Hunter Harris | Skylar Harris | Jed Katt
David Killingsworth | Jane Law | Amanda Morgan | Jackie Morgan
JoAnn Pendley | Butch & Renee Rohrbaugh | Sean Shoe
Lucy Sproul | Mickey & Darlene Strickler | Zack & Kylee Strickler
Cathy Ward | Ivy, Harvey & Henry Wheeler | Alice Woodell

sympathy & condolences

FAMILY and FRIENDS of:

Chase Killingsworth | John Rohrbaugh | James Rankin

PRAYER REQUESTS OR CHANGES

If you have any changes, additions or updates
to the Prayer List please contact:

Tammy Barbour @ 540-471-0450 or Penny Lee @ 540-416-8996



Loves pure light awaits...
Open the door.

8th

DECEMBER

ATTENDANCE

104

STAFF ON CALL

Derek Almarode
540-280-4940

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Estimated Weekly Budget
\$3,127.00

Offering for December 8
\$3,155.00





UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

INCLUDING OUR
COMMUNITY FAMILY OF FAITH

Sunday, December 15 - Refreshments After Worship!

- Christmas Caroling with Pines, meet there at 2

Thursday, December 19 - Living Nativity

- Live animals
- Bonfire
- Hot chocolate & snacks
- Everyone please join us!

Tuesday, December 24 - Candle Light Service

- Beautiful service of song & scripture!

Sunday, January 18 - Installation Service & Celebration

- Special guests and refreshments after!

Saturday, March 15 - WRE Cake Walk

- Mint Spring Ruritan Building - 6pm

Sunday, April 27 - WRE Spring Praise Night

- Raphine Christian Church - 6pm

Monday, February 17 - WRE Council Meeting - 7pm

- Mint Spring Ruritan Building - 6pm

Kingdom Builders

Youth Bible Study
Held at Pines

Every other Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00

Bible study with

the Waymakers

6:30 Thursdays at Bethel - Join Us!

ELDERS

Cindy Almarode
YOUTH CHAIR
MODERATOR, WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Derek Almarode, Pastor
MODERATOR

Tammy Barbour
WORSHIP CHAIR

Wade Cash
PROPERTY & MAINTENANCE CHAIR
CHAIRMAN OF THE DEACONS

Brian Lee
STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE CHAIR
SECURITY

Penny Lee
OUTREACH, EVANGELISM
& COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR

Betty Schooley
WITNESS & MISSION CHAIR

Dave Schooley
PERSONNEL
CLERK OF SESSION

Tim Turner
CHRISTIAN ED CHAIR

Mark Wade
CONGREGATIONAL CARE CHAIR

DEACONS

Mitch Lathrop

Harleigh Rahnvard-Tehrani

Katie McElveen

Beth Miller

D.W. Miller

John Ross

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE

Guy D. Brooks

Ginny Gano

Charlie Johnson

Mo Kyle

Dale Thompson

Billy Wade

Treasurer, Dale C. Smith

CHURCH STAFF

JoAnn Pendley
PIANIST, ORGANIST
BELL CHAIR AND CHOR

Kay Thompson
RECEIVING TREASURER

Marsha Sensabaugh
DISBURSING TREASURER

Donna Bush
CUSTODIAN

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Meets the last Sunday of each month.

SECURITY COMMITTEE

Meets the 3rd Sunday of each month.