



 **Main Street**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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**December 8, 2019**

Welcome to Main Street United Methodist Church.  
Our Mission is: "Following Christ from City Center"

# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 am

Second Sunday of Advent

Purple

Welcome Visitors, Register Attendance, Church Concerns, Announcements

## ENTRANCE

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

Rodney Cleveland

**\*Call to Worship**

Shirley Pate, Lay Reader

Leader: Shout to the Lord! Sing aloud to God!

**People: God is with us now.**

Leader: Sing of God's deeds. Speak of Christ's grace.

**People: God is with us here.**

Leader: Live as God's people. Walk in God's ways.

**People: God is with us on the way.**

**\*Hymn No. 567**

*Heralds of Christ*

Crucifer: Lillie Askew Acolyte: Gibson Askew

Advent Banner: Bennett Charles

**Lighting of the Second Advent Candle**

Toby and Helen White

A Lesson from Isaiah 40:1-11

**Prayer: God of Hope, Prince of Peace, you speak peace into the world as you come to us in the infant Jesus. Help us embody your peace as peacemakers that we may be known as your sons and daughters. God of Peace, God of Hope, into our darkness come. Amen.**

**Song**

*A Candle is Burning* To the tune of *Away in a Manger*

***A candle is burning, a candle of peace, A candle to signal that conflict must cease, For Jesus is coming to show us the way, A message of peace humbly laid in the hay.***

## PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 3:11-12

Shirley Pate

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Anthem**

*Light in the Heart of Winter*  
Chancel Choir

arr. Larson

**Children's Message**

Susan Pinckney

*All children are invited to the front of the Sanctuary for a special message. Following Children's Time, 3-year-olds through Kindergartners may leave the Sanctuary for Extended Session.*

Hymn No. 211

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel  
vs. 1,2,3, and 5

Voices of Christmas: Peace

Barbara Gates and Myra Greene

Sermon

A Life-Giving Christmas Peace:  
Strength that Lasts

Pastor James

\*Hymn No. 431

Let There Be Peace on Earth

### **RESPONSES TO THE WORD**

Morning Prayer

Offering

Offertory

Rodney Cleveland

Offertory Response No. 219

What Child Is This

(Verse 3)

**So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh, come, peasant, king, to own him; the King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone him. This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing; haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.**

### **SENDING FORTH**

\*Hymn No. 202

People Look East

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

Rejoice, Rejoice!

Refrain No. 211

Postlude

Rodney Cleveland

*\*Please stand if you are able*

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### **Chancel Flowers**

The chancel flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Ron and Jean Osborne, Toby and Helen White, and in memory of our parents.

### **Church Council Meeting**

If you're a church officer, staff, committee chair or would just like to come...be one of the faces at your Church Council table -

**Sunday, December 8, 4:00 pm, Drake Classroom**

A video recording of today's 11:00 service is available on our website, [www.msumc1.org](http://www.msumc1.org).  
There is a link to make on-line donations there, also!

Flower calendar for 2020 will be available soon

**Serving This Sunday, December 8**

**Prayer Sentinel:** Allie Williams

**Sound System Operator:** Toby Chappell

**Acolyte Parent Volunteer:** Josie Shirley

**Extended Session Worker:** Jennifer Larkins

**Children's Nursery Volunteer:** Angie Baker

MSUMC's nursery depends on church member volunteers to assist during each service. Call Church Office to help.

**Stewardship Report as of 12/01/2019**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
YTD INCOME:	\$ 653,027	\$ 849,600
YTD EXPENSES:	\$ 642,134	\$ 849,600
YTD SURPLUS OR (DEFICIT):	\$10,893	

**Attendance 12/01/2019**

8:30 am Service	44
Sunday School	129
11:00 am Service	195



Plan on coming December 11<sup>th</sup> for another Missions night. Dinner will be a pot luck supper!! Please make reservations either on-line, [www.msumc1.org](http://www.msumc1.org) or call the Church Office.  
Help get ready for our Outreach Service on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Honduras Missions Needs**

75 used colored t-shirts (adult medium, large & x-large) so jump ropes can be made for Honduras!  
Please bring them to the church office.

**Photographs**

Stop by the Church Office to pick up your Lifetouch 8x10 that was sent to the church for you.

**Childcare is available on Sundays**

for infants through two-year old children from 8:30 am – 12:15 pm, first floor in the Asbury Building.  
Must sign your child in and out.

**THIS WEEK at MAIN STREET**

**Monday, December 9**

9:00 am Mud Pies Preschool  
1:00 pm Federation of the Blind - Library  
6:30 pm–9:00 pm Companions in Christ-G2R  
7:00 pm–8:30 pm Boy Scouts 911-Scout Room

**Tuesday, December 10**

9:00 am Mud Pies Preschool  
4:15 pm–5:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal  
6:00 pm–7:00 pm Trustees Meeting - Library  
7:30 pm–9:00 pm Wesley Fellowship-SWB

**Wednesday, December 11**

9:00 am Mud Pies Preschool  
5:00 pm–7:00 pm Engage Family Night-FH  
6:00 pm–7:00 pm Children's Ministries  
7:00 pm–8:15 pm Chancel Choir Practice  
7:00 pm–8:30 pm Pick-up BB-Asbury Gym

**Thursday, December 12**

9:00 am Mud Pies Preschool  
10:00 am – 11:00 am G'wood /Abbeville Coalition  
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Christmas Drama Rehearsal  
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm Mainstreeters Show Choir - FH

**Friday, December 13**

9:00 am Mud Pies Preschool  
6:00 pm–Celebrate Recovery-Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, December 14**

**Sunday, December 15**

8:30 am Early Service-Fellowship Hall  
9:30 am Breakfast Served-Fellowship Hall  
10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary  
7:00 pm–8:30 pm Pick-up BB-Asbury Gym

*To learn more about future events planned at Main Street, visit us on our website at [www.msumc1.org](http://www.msumc1.org).*

**Main Street United Methodist Church Staff**

Pastor James McCoy-Bruce, Senior Pastor

Gray Stallworth, Pastor of Discipleship

John McFadden, Director of Music Ministries

Rodney Cleveland, Organist

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Preston Goforth, Director of Youth & Student Ministries

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