



 **Main Street**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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November 27, 2022
First Sunday of Advent

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

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 am

First Sunday of Advent

Purple

Prelude

Gloria
Sarah Bowen Hecox, organist

Christopher Uehlein

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming of the Trinity Introit

Christmas Welcome
Chancel Choir

John Ness Beck

*Call to Worship

Toby Chappell, Lay Reader

Leader: Glory to God in the highest!

People: And hope to every discouraged heart.

Leader: Glory to God in the highest!

People: And peace to every conflicted soul.

Leader: Glory to God in the highest!

People: And joy to every downcast spirit.

Leader: Glory to God in the highest!

People: And love to everyone.

Leader: Let us sing praises to our God.

People: Let us offer this light against the darkness.

*Hymn of Praise

Angels from the Realms of Glory
Crucifer: Josh Albon
Acolyte: Annabelle Chappell

#220

Children's Message with Rev. Keck & Charlie

*Following the Children's Message, 3-year-olds through Kindergartners
may leave the Sanctuary for Extended Session.*

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Loving God, your church joyfully awaits the coming of its Savior, who enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin. Pour forth your blessings upon us each week as we light the candles of this wreath. May their light reflect the splendor of Christ, who is Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn No. 206

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

vs. 1

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

Gavin Moore and Zoe Moore

A Lesson from Isaiah 60:2-3

Reader: We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope. May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show the way of salvation.

All: O come, O come, Emmanuel.

*Apostles Creed

#881

*Glory Be to the Father

#70

Anthem

O Come Emanuel

Elaine Hagenberg

***Gospel Reading** Luke 2:8-14 Toby Chappell

Sermon *Changed Everything* Rev. Keck

***Hymn of Response** *Once in Royal David's City* #250

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Tithes & Offering

Offertory *Savior of the Nations, Come* Gilbert Martin

***Offering 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.

***Hymn of Dedication** *While Shepherds Watched their Flocks* #236

Lighting and Blessing of the Chrismon Tree

Holy Lord, we come with joy to celebrate the birth of your Son, who rescued us from the darkness of sin by making the cross a tree of life and light. May this tree, arrayed in splendor, remind us of the life-giving cross of Christ that we may always rejoice in the new life that shines in our hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Closing Prayer**

***Congregational Response**

Angels We Have Heard on High #238 verse 1
Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.

***Postlude** *On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry* Gilbert Martin

***Please stand as you are able**

Chancel Flowers

The chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of her brother, Sonny Hines, by Rebecca Hines Harmon Sherrill.

WELCOME VISITORS!

May God richly bless you in this Service today and bring you back to be with us again. If you would like to learn more about Main Street ministries, get connected to a Bible Study or request prayer, please visit our website mainstreetgreenwood.org/connection-card/ or call our Church Office at 864-229-7551.

Loose Change

The children will be collecting loose change **today**, the last Sunday of the month, for The Pathway House. At the end of the service, they will come through the Sanctuary and collect change. Last month your generous giving provided \$241.58 to Project Hope!

A Prayer Sentinel in the balcony is praying for the Holy Spirit to move among our church family.

Serving This Sunday, November 27

Sound System Operator: Joey Burns

Media Boot/Camera: Denis Shevelev/

Prayer Sentinel: Kit Adkins

Acolyte Parent Volunteer: Caroline Chappell

Extended Session: Kayla Key

Sanctuary Stewards: Margaret and Larry Gearhart

2022 Stewardship Report as of 11/20/2022

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
YTD INCOME:	\$667,924	\$672,852
YTD EXPENSES:	\$644,406	\$672,852
YTD SURPLUS		
OR (DEFICIT):	\$23,518	

(Apportionments have been paid through November.)

Attendance 11/20/2022

9:02 Service	38
Sunday School	121
11:00 am Service	156

WEDNESDAY ENGAGE DINNER 5:15pm

November 30th we'll have Soup Night brought to you by our Children's Ministries. Proceeds are going to make Christmas Homebound gifts.

Reserve dinner: www.mainstreetgreenwood.org.

Dinner is \$7/adult, \$4/child 5th grade & younger, \$20 family max. After dinner, Children are rehearsing & Youth will meet in the Youth Room. Adult Bible studies are in the Library & Drake Class.

Church Council Meeting

If you're a church officer, staff, committee chair or just want to come...be one of the faces at your Church Council table - **Sunday, Dec 4, 4:00 pm.**

Canned Food Drive

We will continue to collect canned foods for our new food pantry ministry throughout the year. Please bring peanut butter through December 11.

Sunday Childcare

is available in the nursery for infants through 2 year olds from 9:00 am - 12:15 pm, in the Asbury Bldg. Each child must be signed in & out. Ask an usher if you need assistance finding the nursery.

THIS WEEK at MAIN STREET

Monday, November 28

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building

6:30 pm Men's Group-Library

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 911-Scout Room

Tuesday, November 29

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building

9:30 am Staff Meeting

6:30 pm Greenwood Wesley Fellowship-SWB

Wednesday, November 30

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building

10:00 am Wednesday Breakfast Small Group-Aromas

4:30 pm Adult Handbells-Upstairs Bell Loft

5:15 pm Engage Dinner-Fellowship Hall

6:00 pm Children's Ministries-Bible/Choir/Drama

6:00 pm Elevate Wednesday Youth-Youth Room

6:00 pm Engage Bible/Book Studies

6:45 pm Elevate Youth After-Party-Asbury Gym

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room

Thursday, December 1

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building

10:00 am Advent Book Study-Drake Classroom

7:00 pm Pick-up Basketball-Asbury Gym

Friday, December 2

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building

6:00 pm Celebrate Recovery-Fellowship Hall

Saturday, December 3

10:00 am Kairos Christmas Gathering-FH

3:00 pm Youth Poinsettia Delivery

Sunday, December 4

9:00 am 9 O'clock Service-Sanctuary

10:00 am Childrens/Youth Christmas Breakfast

10:00 am Sunday School Classes

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary

4:00 pm Church Council Meeting-Sanctuary

5:30 pm Elevate Youth-Youth Room/Asbury Gym

7:00 pm Pick-up Basketball-Asbury Gym

To learn more about future events planned at Main Street, visit us on our website at

www.mainstreetgreenwood.org.

Sunday, December 11

Both 9:00 and 11:00 Worship Services will be held in the Sanctuary for Children's Christmas Program

Sunday, December 18-Church Wide Christmas

Caroling-more information announced soon.

Main Street United Methodist Church Staff

Steve Keck, Senior Pastor

Gina Jolly, Director of Music Ministries

Preston Goforth, Director of Youth & Student Ministries

Melissa Scott, Children's Ministries Coordinator

Allison Wooten, Mud Pies Director

Debbie Tharpe, Administrative Assistant

Jo Patterson, Office Assistant

Linda Miller, Financial Secretary

David Weathers, Building Superintendent

Michael Fisher, Building Caretaker

Today's video recording is available on our website at www.mainstreetgreenwood.org.