



 **Main Street**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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**December 4, 2022**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

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

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## Prelude

Sarah Bowen Hecox, organist

## Welcome and Announcements

## Chiming of the Trinity

## Introit

*Christmas Welcome*  
Chancel Choir

John Ness Beck

## \*Call to Worship

Shell Dula, Lay Reader

Leader: We come to prepare the way;

**People: The way for Christ -**

Leader: the hope of Christ, the peace of Christ -

**People: to enter our world, to enter our hearts.**

Leader: We cry out together in the wilderness:

**People: The kingdom of heaven has come near.**

Leader: We come to be part of the light -

**People: the light that shines in the darkness.**

## \*Hymn of Praise

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

#234

Crucifer: Witt Smith

Acolyte: Benjo Smith

Advent Banner: Addison Leopard

## Children's Message with Rev. Keck & Charlie

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

## Lighting of the Second Advent Candle

Gabby and Andy Philipp

A Lesson from Mark 1:4

Reader: We light this candle as a symbol of Christ the way. May the word sent  
from God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation.

**All: O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

## \*Apostles Creed

#881

## \*Glory Be to the Father

#70

## Anthem

*The Coming Joy*

Joseph Martin

## \*Gospel Reading

Matthew 3:1-12

Shell Dula

## Sermon

*Prepare the Way*

Rev. Keck

## Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

## Tithes & Offering

### Offertory

*I Wander as I Wander*  
Myra Greene, soloist

**\*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.***

### Holy Communion

#12

Communion Servers:  
Allie and Glenn Williams, Mary and Shell Dula,  
Ann and Charlie West, Pam Faulkner, and Ann Landis

We have individual communion packets available in baskets at both sides of the altar.

**\*Hymn of Dedication**      *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*      #196

### \*Closing Prayer

### \*Congregational Response

*Angels We Have Heard on High*      #238 verse 2  
Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heavenly song?

### \*Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able

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### **Chancel Flowers**

The Poinsettia chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving honor of Anne Drake and loving memory of Chuck Drake by their children.

### **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/](http://mainstreetgreenwood.org/connection-card/) or call our Church Office at 864-229-7551.

### **Canned Food Drive**

We will collect canned foods for our new food pantry ministry throughout the year. We are collecting peanut butter through Dec. 11.

### **Loose Change**

The children collected loose change last Sunday, the last Sunday of the month. Thank you for your generous giving! We provided \$355.60 to The Pathway House!

### **Church Council Meeting Today 4:00 pm**

If you're a church officer, staff, committee chair or just want to come...be one of the faces at your Church Council table today in the Drake Class.

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

## Serving This Sunday, December 4

**Sound System Operator:** Tyler Key

**Media Boot/Camera:** Tommy Chalmers/Preston Goforth

**Prayer Sentinel:** Ann and Charlie West

**Acolyte Parent Volunteer:** Tara Smith

**Extended Session:** Mary Kate Skinner

**Sanctuary Stewards:** Lou Walters & Anne Rogers

### 2022 Stewardship Report as of 11/27/2022

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
YTD INCOME:	\$674,564	\$687,168
YTD EXPENSES:	\$661,830	\$687,168
YTD SURPLUS		
OR (DEFICIT):	\$12,734	

(Apportionments have been paid through November.)

### Attendance 11/27/2022

9:02 Service	44
Sunday School	118
11:00 am Service	184
Online	13

### LAST WEDNESDAY ENGAGE DINNER 5:15pm

December 7<sup>th</sup> we'll have Chick-Fil-A sandwiches & nuggets, chips & desserts provided by our Choir. Reserve dinner: [www.mainstreetgreenwood.org](http://www.mainstreetgreenwood.org). Dinner is \$7/adult, \$4/child 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Children's Rehearsal & Christmas Party

Final play rehearsal-Saturday, 12-10, at 9-12 with Christmas Party following. If you aren't in the play & want to come to the party, contact Melissa.

### Youth Christmas Party Sunday, December 11th

All Youth grades 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> our Christmas Party is 5:30-7:30 pm at Brandon and Tara Smith's! Join for some good food, s'mores, games, and an ualv Christmas sweater contest. We'll also have a white elephant gift exchange (max. \$15 gift)

### 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, December 5

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building  
10:00 am Hearts and Hands Circle-Library  
11:00 am Care Team Meeting-Library  
5:15 pm Communications Committee-Mason Class  
6:30 pm Men's Group-Library  
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 911-Scout Room

### Tuesday, December 6

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building  
10:00 am Susanna Circle-Wesley Commons  
6:30 pm Greenwood Wesley Fellowship-SWB

### Wednesday, December 7

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building  
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

### Thursday, December 8

7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building  
9:00 am Mud Pies-Polar Express Field Trip  
**10:00 am Advent Book Study-Drake Classroom**  
7:00 pm Pick-up Basketball-Asbury Gym

### Friday, December 9

7:00 am Youth Breakfast Club-Chick Fil A @ mall  
7:30 am Mud Pies Preschool-Asbury Building  
6:30 pm Living Spring Ministry-Fellowship Hall

### Saturday, December 10

9:00 am Children's Ministries Christmas Party-Gym  
10:00 am Coat Closet Give Away-Fellowship Hall  
11:00 am Bible Class Trip to Greenville  
12:00 pm Jean Bond's Visitation-Drake Classroom  
1:00 pm Jean Bond's Funeral-Sanctuary

### Sunday, December 11

8:30 am Children's Pre-Christmas Play Breakfast  
9:00 am 9 O'clock Service-Sanctuary  
10:00 am Sunday School Classes  
11:00 am Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary  
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](http://www.mainstreetgreenwood.org).*

**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](http://www.mainstreetgreenwood.org).