



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS MESSAGES

If you still have not turned in your form for the Christmas Messages flyer, **call the church office tomorrow morning**. In order for Dallas to have time to create the flyer, no further submissions can be accepted after 11am tomorrow (Monday, December 23).



*A gift has been given to the Glory of God, in memory of Hope Carter, to the budget, by Bruce & Robin Farrington.*

*A gift has also been given to the Glory of God, in memory of Harvey Mayhill, to the budget, by Ray & Yvonne Lautzenheiser.*

## HERE TO HELP

There are a number of ways in which AUMC can be here for its family members when they need help. The **Edith Bailey Assistance Fund** provides monetary assistance for individuals/families with unmet essential needs, and is available for members and regular attendees of AUMC and their immediate, live-in family. The fund pays vendors/service providers directly, so there are some documentation requirements. There are forms that both provide more information on these requirements, and act as the official applications to receive assistance. These forms can be found affixed to the bottom left corner of the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall.

Please direct any questions or requests for assistance with this process to the church office, or contact Sherilyn Brewer.



We Hope you will know Peace, Joy, and Love this Christmas!

From the staff of Aldersgate United Methodist Church.

## CAROLING!

It's been several years since we last went caroling. So it has been suggested that we gather at the church at **5PM THIS AFTERNOON**, and take some Christmas Joy to our shut-ins in the form of song! Anyone who wants to join is welcome. *Please be sure to **arrive at church prior to 5pm** so the group can leave together.*

## SAYING "THANKS!"

The holiday season is the perfect time to say "thank you" to our Aldersgate church staff for their presence and excellent service throughout the year. To show our heartfelt appreciation, a love offering is being collected until Christmas Eve. Please place your gift in the offering plate, drop off in church office, or put in outside drop box located next to middle set of church doors. Checks should be made to AUMC and designated for "staff Christmas offering." Thank you,

—Staff Parish Relations Committee

## JOIN THE SUNDAY LUNCH BUNCH!



129  
Oakland Ave.  
Suite 110

Announcements

10:25am

Prelude

“NUN KOMM’, DER HEIDEN HEILAND”  
 (“Savior of the Nations, Come”)

J. S. Bach, BWV 659

\*Presentation of the Cross  
and Lighting of the Candles

“ST. LOUIS”  
 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

A. D. Miller

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Mike & Karen Sturkie

Call to Worship

Good news! The Holy One, God Almighty, claims us as God’s very own! Rejoice in the Lord! Good news! The times of trouble are nearly over! Rejoice in the Lord always! Good news! God is in our midst, ready to renew us with holy love! Rejoice in the Lord, always! Again, we say rejoice!

\*Hymn

“Savior of the Nations, Come”

214, vv. 1, 3, 5

\*Affirmation of Faith

“The Apostle’s Creed”

881

\*Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

70

Young Minds Time

Audrey Culp

Congregational Response

“Jesus Loves the Little Children”

arr. Dallas Bolin

Jesus loves the little children—all the children of the world! Red and yellow, black and white; they are precious in his sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world!

Anthem

“Creation Will Be at Peace”

J. Paul Williams & Anna Laura Page

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Steve Holler

Offertory

“Wexford Carol”

Mark Hayes

\*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

95

\*Hymn

“Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”

216, vv. 1, 4

Responsive Psalter Reading

Psalms 122

845, Response 1

Scripture Lesson

Luke 1:39-45 (N. T. pg. 56)

Audrey Culp

Sermon

“Leap for Joy!”

Rev. Steve Holler

\*Hymn

“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

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\*Benediction

Rev. Steve Holler

\*Congregational Blessing and Amen

“Make Us One, Lord”

Carol Cymbala

Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit, make us one. Let Your love flow, so the world will know: We are one in You.

Postlude

Meditation on “DIVINUM MYSTERIUM”  
 (“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”)

Michael McCabe

# This Week's Events:

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22—4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 9:15am—Sunday School (In-person & Online)
- 10:25am—Traditional Service (In-Person & Online)
- 5pm—Caroling!

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

- 10am—Coffee & Conversation

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24—CHRISTMAS EVE

- 5pm—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25—CHRISTMAS DAY!

- *Merry Christmas! Church Offices Closed.*

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

- *Merry Christmas! Church Offices Closed.*

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

- \*8:30am—Seventh Day Adventists

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29—1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

- 9:15am—Sunday School (In-person & Online)
- 10:25am—Traditional Service (In-Person & Online)
- *Carol-Sing! (5<sup>th</sup>-Sunday Hymn-Sing, Christmas Edition!)*

*\*La Iglesia Adventista del 7<sup>o</sup> Día, cuyos eventos son primariamente hispanohablantes.*

# Coming Up:

- Dec. 29—Celebration of Life for Fred Littenburg (3pm)
- Jan. 1, 2025—Church Offices Closed for New Year's Day
- Jan. 10—Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen (9am)
- Jan. 2—Men's Bible Study (6pm)
- Jan. 4—Memorial Service for Harvey Mayhill (Time TBA)
- Jan. 8—United Women in Faith (10:30am)
- Jan. 11—United Methodist Men Workday (9am; details TBA)
- Jan. 13—United Methodist Men (6pm)
- Jan. 16—Men's Bible Study (6pm)
- Jan. 17—Young at Hearts (11:30am)
- Jan. 18—Chili Cookoff!
- Jan. 23—Prayer Shawl Ministry (10:30am)
- Jan. 27—SPRC (6:30pm)
- Jan. 28—New Life Grief Support Group (5pm)
- Feb. 2—Miata Club (12pm)
- Feb. 5—Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen (9am)
- Feb. 6—Men's Bible Study (6pm)

AS MEMBERS OF THIS CONGREGATION, WE WILL FAITHFULLY PARTICIPATE IN ITS MINISTRY BY OUR **PRAYERS**, OUR **PRESENCE**, OUR **GIFTS**, OUR **SERVICE**, AND OUR **WITNESS**.

## OUR PRESENCE 12/15/24:

Worship:	Online:	Sunday School:
76	7	4

## OUR SERVICE TODAY:

Usher:	Greeter:	Altar Guild:
Audrey Culp	Fran Threatt	Bruce Farrington Nancy Griffith
Crucifer:	Harry Gibson/Steve Barfield	
Acolyte:	Norah Cordle/Harry Gibson	
Blessing Box:	Karen S., Diane E., John/Donna H.	

## SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS:

This Week:	Harry Gibson
Next Week:	Brenda Hochreiter

## 2025 PLEDGE CAMPAIGN

Included in this bulletin as a physical insert is a letter from the Finance Committee and a pledge card for 2025. Please see these items for more information. The main point of this message is to share this related QR code; scan it to go directly to the online 2025 Pledge Campaign form:



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