



*"Growing in Christ Through Worship, Learning, Fellowship, and Service."*



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## Ring Out - Week of Nov. 24, 2024

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*The Last Sunday after Pentecost*

### Introduction to Sunday's Worship

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth

voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

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Sunday Worship will be live-streamed on YouTube beginning at 9:45 on Sunday morning. An email with the link will be sent on Sunday morning. You can also watch a recorded version later by visiting our [YouTube Page](#).

You can open or print the bulletin and follow along with the service.

Watch the Live Stream

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### On the Calendar...

THIS WEEK

#### The Week Ahead

**Sunday, November 24**

9:00 am Adult SS

9:00 am Choir

9:30 am Children's SS

10:00 am Worship

**11:00 am Congregational Meeting**

**6:00 pm Thanksgiving Service & Pie Party**

**Monday, November 25**

10:30 am Quilting

SUNDAY

#### Sunday Ministries

**LECTOR/INTERCESSOR**

**Nov. 24** Kim Haberman

**Dec. 1** Barbara Albright

**COMMUNION**

**ASSISTANT**

**Nov. 24** Margaret Garrison

**Dec. 1** Elizabeth Hurley

**ACOLYTES**

**Nov. 24** Joshua Rinker

**Dec. 1** Noah Pittard

6:30 pm Scouts

**Wednesday, November 27**

5:30 pm Handbells

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, November 28**

*Church Office Closed -  
Thanksgiving*

**Sunday, December 1**

9:00 am Adult SS

9:00 am Choir

9:30 am Children's SS

10:00 am Worship

5:00 pm **Christmas Tree  
Lighting** (*ornament making  
at 5pm; lighting at 6pm*)

**GREETERS**

**Nov. 24** Sylvia Corl

**Dec. 1** Esther Circle

**VIDEOGRAPHER**

**Nov. 24** Annette Propst

**Dec. 1** [Volunteer!](#)

**NOVEMBER USHERS**

Wendell Overby, Frank Irvin,  
Tony Folino, Nick Lovelace,  
Jason Pittard

**DECEMBER USHERS**

Mike Downs, Al Brown, Jr.,  
Sid Hughes, Bill Hardister,  
Hunter Huss

**BUILDING SUPERVISOR**

**November:** Elizabeth  
Hurley

**December:** Wendell Overby

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

**Nov. 24** Elizabeth Hurley

**Dec. 1** Glenda Poole

Online Calendar



**Happy Birthday!**

**26 Nov. - Lauri Fowler**

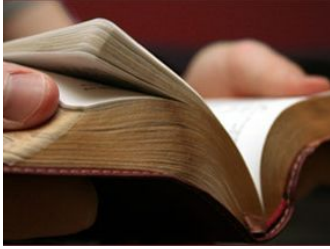
**28 Nov. - Kyleigh Hughes**

**29 Nov. - Garrett Baker**

**30 Nov. - Patrick Matthews**

**Volunteer!**

Please consider volunteering for a Sunday ministry or special event!



Lectors



Communion Assistants



Videographers



Altar Flowers



Special Events



Acolytes

## Announcements

### Scouts Fundraiser

Our Scouts are preparing BBQ Boston Butts for Thanksgiving. The cost is \$40 per roast and are available for pick up Wednesday morning November 27th between 9am and 11am at the portico area.



Scouts will be at the church **this Sunday before worship service** in the portico area to take last minute orders. Proceeds help to offset activity fees.



### Congregational Meeting After Worship

This is just a friendly reminder that our Congregational Meeting will be **this Sunday, Nov. 24 following worship.**

**THANKS GIVING Service**

NOVEMBER 24  
6PM

Join us for a special Thanksgiving Service at  
6pm followed by a Pie Party  
in the Fellowship Hall!

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CONCORD, NC  
28025

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## Thanksgiving Service

America's Day of National Thanksgiving is better thought of being a distinctly national occasion as opposed to a liturgical one. Thus, our Thanksgiving service includes readings from historical-national texts that reflect the American impulse of thankfulness that transcends boundaries. Even in our current tumultuous times, there is indeed much about our nation and the free lives which we live that are worthy of thanks on the fourth Thursday of November.

**Come at 6pm, this Sunday, Nov. 24 for this service of thankfulness and stay for PIE! Pie Party follows the service.**

## TOY DRIVE

For Western NC



Drop new, unwrapped toys to the office through Wednesday, Dec. 4



## Toy Drive for Western NC

Help bring joy to children this holiday season! We are collecting new, unwrapped toys for families in Western NC now through **Wednesday, December 4.**

Donations can be dropped off on Sunday mornings or by arranging a drop-off time with the church office during the week. Please note, we can only accept new, unwrapped toys — clothing donations cannot be accepted at this time. For more details, please reach out to Elizabeth Hurley.

## Bethlehem at the Farm Reservations Full - Volunteers Needed!

We are at capacity for our Bethlehem at the Farm experience. We still need a good number of volunteers to ensure an enjoyable evening!

Please consider volunteering to be a townspeople.

**Volunteers to arrive by 3:30pm;**

**Volunteers Needed!**  
**Bethlehem at the Farm**  
Sunday, Dec. 8, 4pm – 7pm

In need of townspeople  
Arrive at 3:30pm  
Costume to be provided!

Scan QR Code  
or visit: [bit.ly/VolunteerBATF](https://bit.ly/VolunteerBATF)

costume to be provided!

**Sunday, Dec. 8 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

**Far Fetched Farm  
835 Brafford Dr.  
Concord, NC 28025**



[Click here to volunteer!](#)

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## Register to Ring!

Spread Christmas cheer while making a difference! St. James is proud to once again partner with the Salvation Army to ring bells and support those in need in our community. Join us on **Thursday, December 5 and Thursday, December 12** for this meaningful tradition.

One-hour time slots are available from 10:00am to 7:00pm. Click below to sign up!

[Register to Ring!](#)

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## Poinsettia Orders

This Christmas season, you have the opportunity to give a beautiful red 6 1/2" poinsettia as a gift to the church. These gifts help adorn our worship space during this holy season and can be given in memory or honor of loved ones.

Each poinsettia is \$20. A list of donors and those being memorialized or honored will be included in the gift list. Please print clearly to ensure names are displayed as intended.



[Click here to order online](#), or complete and return the order form in Sunday's bulletin.

**The deadline to order is Monday, December 2nd.**

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**Join us next Sunday for the Christmas Tree Lighting!**



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## Ministries

### **Adult Sunday School**

God's Promised Presence - Psalm 139:1-12

Today's Psalm, Psalm 139, is all about God's Omniscience and it's comfort for believers. God's complete knowledge is the attribute that encompasses His infinite awareness and understanding of everything that has ever happened, is happening, or will happen. He is entirely aware of all things! We might find ourselves in a situation when God's knowledge makes us uneasy, or we can embrace it as a comfort; either way, we can strive to know God better and to praise Him and ask Him to help against all we confront. Hope to see you there!



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**Save the date!**



# Christmas Eve

December 24th

Family Service - 5:30 PM

Candlelight Service - 11:00 PM

## Reminders:

### 2025 Sign-Ups Available!

Please consider signing up for an upcoming Sunday ministry. Dates for 2025 are now available! Refer to the Volunteer section of this email or, [visit the website](#).

### Volunteer opportunities



### Acolytes Needed!

Please consider signing up to acolyte at an upcoming service.

All may serve - youth or adult! Just need to be able to carry the cross.

[Click here to sign up for an open date!](#)

### Videographers Needed!

We need volunteers to assist with YouTube streaming for the remaining Sundays of 2024. It's simple—just a few steps at the laptop to start the stream, and you can control the zoom from your seat using a tablet (though zooming is optional). At the end of the service, you'll stop the recording and streaming and return the tablet.



If you're interested, we can arrange a time to walk you through the process, or you



can shadow someone during an upcoming service. [Click here to sign up!](#)

This is a wonderful way to support our homebound members this holiday season!

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## Prayers & Considerations

### IN OUR PRAYERS

Brad Baker  
Joyce Beaty (*Friend of the Marlow's*)  
Angie Buchanan  
Mike & Debbie Cagle  
(*Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis*)  
Noah Clifton  
Bruce Coffey (*Friend of Mark Murphy*)  
Karey Conrad (*Friend of Dee Pieschel*)  
Anne Fridlund  
Ed Frost (*Friends of the Marlow's*)



Tim Gibson (*Friend of Deb Black*)  
Tom Grady  
Linda Jones  
(*Family of Barbara & Dale Merrell*)  
Annaleah, Michael, & Preston Morrow  
(*Friends of Shannon Nesbit*)  
Tom Ridenhour  
Geoff & Pam Seige  
(*Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis*)

### Member Meal Train Opportunity

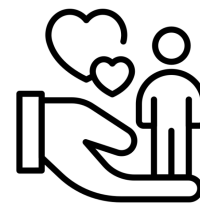
[Click here to support a meal train for Jay Clemmer.](#)



Meal Train®

### Overnight Sitter Opportunity

Debbie Davis is looking for a sitter for the overnight hours for her mother. Paid position. Contact Debbie at 704-795-8743.



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## Online Giving

You can manage your giving online! Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions or make a one time contribution and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the internet. In a few short minutes, you can make a one-time gift or set up a donation that will process automatically on a recurring basis. Recurring donations are convenient and provide our church with much needed consistent support throughout the year.



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## Keep in touch!



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& **Facebook!**

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posting so we may share!

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