

## Birthdays

December 4—Camron Brence

December 7—Anne Doub

December 10—Carolyn Price

December 12—Sarah Price

## Lord, Hear Our Prayer!

**East Bend:** Hazel Matthews, Helen Fortune, Mickey Martin, Beauchamp's, Clyde Wall, Evon Norman.

**Stony Knoll:** Linda Smith, Sofie Carter, Bristol Hope Hagen, Margaret Spillman, David Pilcher, Nate Wolford, Anne Watkins, Ricky Chapman, Margret Love, Penelope, Rachel Adams, Alan Whitley, Tammy Hagen, Bobby Atkins.

**Long-Term Care:** Sue Long, Nancy Wooten, Bobbie Lineberry, Lucille Cox, **Bettie Ratledge.**

**Armed Forces:** Randy Frye, Daniel Lunsford, Cody Dagenhart, Eric Jennings, Amanda Payne, Tony Hatcher, Jay Staley, Robert Matthews, Michael Stillwell, Adam David, Drew Queen, Lance Miller, John Russell, Rannon Rowley, Justin Reavis, Matthew Regnery, Justin Minor, Aiden Flynn, Jason Drew, William Wilson, Ethan Snow, Spencer Hodges.

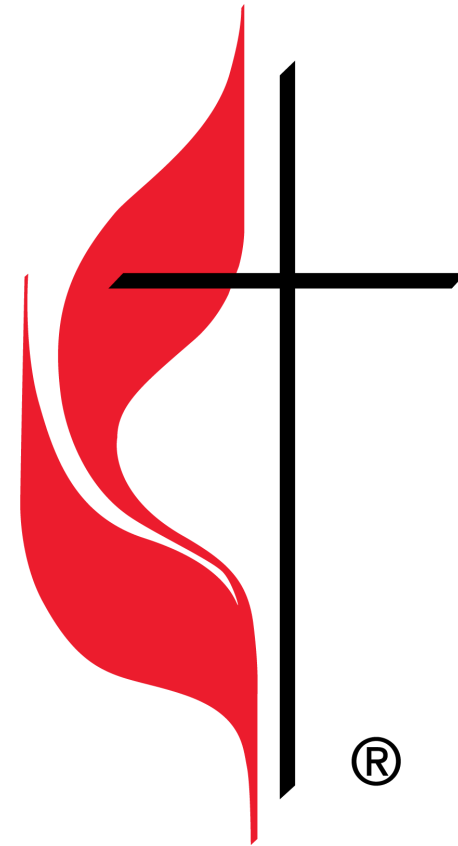
**World Wide:** For Single-parent families, the underemployed, the homeless, victims of gun violence, those effected by natural disasters, world conflicts, those affected by Covid-19, and for the National political climate.

## Daily Scripture Readings

<b>Sunday</b>	Matthew 3:1-12	<b>Monday</b>	Luke 1: 18-20
<b>Tuesday</b>	Isaiah 40:27-31	<b>Wednesday</b>	Luke 1:5-20
<b>Thursday</b>	Luke 1:21-25	<b>Friday</b>	Romans 8:18-25
<b>Saturday</b>	Galatians 5:2-6		

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 December 4, 2022  
 2nd Sunday of Advent

Welcome

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

\*Opening Prayer

**O root of Jesse, O Peace, stir up your power within us, that in this time we may await with abundant expectation the fulfillment of your eternal presence in creation, for you live and reign among us, Maker, Savior, and Giver of life, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

\*Act of Praise *"Gloria Patri"* **UMH # 70**

Prayer of Illumination

**Your Word, Holy God, was written for our instruction. By your Holy Spirit, open our ears and fill us with the mysteries of your ancient love; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

Sermon Series: Prepare the Way Pastor David  
 Prepare the Way Matthew 3:1-12

Profession of Faith *The Apostles Creed* **UMH # 881**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People  
 & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

\* *Please stand if able*



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Confession & Pardon

**Gracious and welcoming God, have mercy on your people. We confess that we do not believe in your incarnation. We do not heed your Word each day in all that we say and do. We do not see our neighbors, families, and friends as beloved children whom you have made. In your mercy, forgive us, for we repent of our ways and look to your power to heal us and raise us up, so that, at the last, you will gather us to you and give us peace. Amen.**

The reign of God has come near; the repentant will be judged with righteousness. You are forgiven. Be filled with hope, believing in the power of the risen Christ to bring you to new life. Rejoice and believe.

Tithes & Offering

Holy Communion **UMH Pg. 12**

\*Sending Music *Take Time to be Holy* **UMH # 395**

\*Benediction

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

## Calendar of Events

- December 7, 2022 at 6:30 pm SK Handbell Practice
- December 11, 2022 at 7:30 am Men's Breakfast in SK FH
- December 12, 2022 at 6 pm Dinner Church Fall Finale Menu:  
Roast Beef, green beans, dessert
- December 14, 2022 at 6:30 pm SK Handbell Practice
- December 18, 2022 at 5 pm SK Christmas Program
- December 24, 2022 at 4 pm Christmas Eve in the Barn Service
- December 25, 2022 at 10 am Combined Worship Service at SK
- January 1, 2022 at 10 am Combined Worship Service at EB

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