

Weekly News Bulletin
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT **DECEMBER 22, 2019**

- *GATHERING SONG:**
 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs 1-4) 257
- *HYMN OF THE DAY:** *Of the Father's Love Begotten* 295
- *COMMUNION HYMN:** *Away in a Manger* 277
- *SENDING SONG:**
 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs 5-8) 257

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We're glad you are here!

Children – Activity bags are available from the ushers.

Everyone – please sign a red Attendance Folder so that we may have a record of your presence.

Visitors – may also sign a Welcome Card, found in the pew racks, and place it in the offering plate during the offering, you are also invited to sign our guest register by the entrance.

Prayer Requests – Please use the Welcome Card to make any prayer requests, and place it in the offering plate.

***FEEL FREE TO TAKE THIS NEWS BOOKLET WITH YOU,
BUT PLEASE LEAVE THE WORSHIP BULLETIN AT THE
BACK OF THE CHURCH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

To the glory of God and in honor of
our children and grandchildren,

Charlie and Rebecca Munse placed the flowers upon the altar.

Please keep in your prayers today and this week:

Madeline Joiner, Janice Converse, Ruthanne Logue, Sharon Alexander,
Ellen Huffman, & Melvin, Joyce McDonald, Parker Fix, Bill Chafin
Jane Nesselrodt – pneumonia -home
Margie Moore – shoulder surgery
Bill Power-surgery a success- Nancy Simmons's neighbor
Betty Myers –hospitalized
Pam Trumbo –liver cancer- sister-in-law to Lynn Rogers
Jesse Hartman-final stages of life –friend to Sara Fultz

Those suffering with loneliness and depression
Pray for our military and our leaders
Pray for all people caught up in Human Trafficking
Pray for the safety and wisdom for all our law enforcement.
Victims of terrorism, violence, earthquakes, floods and fire.

Please pray for the family and friends of:

Barbara Smith died December 7. She was Kelley Owens
grandmother
Fred Gibson died December 7. Memorial service December 12.
George White died uncle to Linda Ellis
Elaine Clemmer died Dec. 17. She was mother to Kevin
Clemmer
Ellen Keiter died she was mother to Lise Keiter

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

December 15	126	\$3,330.77
Reimagine		\$475.00
December Noisy Offering		\$181.00

TODAY'S WORSHIP HELPERS

USHERS: Captain: Captain- Noel Thomas
Lucy Dennison, Brooke Campbell, Beverley Wise
Alternate: Keith Robertson
Assisting Minister: Deana Griffin
GREETERS: Doug and Sherry Ocheltree
READER: Cathy Terry
ACOLYTE: Bo Crammer CRUCIFER: Theresa Thomas NURSERY:
SOUND: Leon Sheets FLOWERS: Brooke Campbell
BREAD: Helen Wright LINENS: Dianne Chafin
COMMUNION PREPARERS: Shannon Chafin & Brooke Campbell
SERVER: Charlie Dennison ASSISTANT: Keith Robertson
ALTERNATES: Donna Alexander – Tim Behler
ATTENDANTS: Lucy Smith, alternate

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

December 22, 2019

9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
3:00pm Cantata at Pleasant View Church

TUESDAY: 7:00pm Christ Eve Service

7:00pm Bible Study

WEDNESDAY: 5:30pm Bell choir

7:30pm Choir

THURSDAY: Christmas Day

Pastor Derek away from Dec. 25 to January 1.

NEXT SUNDAY: December 29, 2019

8:30am Men's Group Breakfast at Allen and Carolyn,s home

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship Service

Thank you to Bill Converse, Linda Ellis, and Grant Richardson leading the service on Dec. 29, Lesson and Carols.

Quotes from the "Church Mouse":

"And a King was born. Happy Birthday, Jesus!"

NOTICE - "After careful consideration, Church Council members approved a proposal from Hawk Security for an upgrade to Salem's Security system extending fire alarm coverage into older parts of the church at a cost of \$4,248.40. Council scheduled a **Congregational Meeting for January 19th after morning worship** for the Congregation to consider the proposal and to approve funding for the project from Special Projects. Please plan to attend".

WELCA January 12th Quarterly Meeting will be held after the worship service. Plan to attend and bring a bag lunch. This is an important planning meeting for the rest of the year at which time you will sign up to help with the different activities and programs during the year. It is also important as the Virginia Synodical Women's Organization will hold its annual convention at Salem this year July 31 to August 1, and the planning process needs to begin.

Wasted paper – If you would like a large bulletin please let the office know. We are throwing almost all of them printed per week. If no body wants a large bulletin we will stop making them. Thank you for your help.

New Daily Devotions for the next quarter are in the box by the doors.

Beginning Dec 29th Meredith Boggs will need a substitute for her Sunday School class. (1st-3rd graders) For February thru May, she would like to share the class with another teacher. Please let her know if you are interested.

Children need school supplies to help them learn.

Crayons, Notebooks, etc. get used quickly and by December most of what they received at the beginning of school has been used up.

During Advent the Stewardship Committee is going to sponsor "fill a school bag for World Relief." Our own Mabel has sewed many bags - all we need to do is fill them with simple school supplies. Starting December 1st you will be able to pick up one or more bags and shop for the supplies. A list of those supplies will be included in each bag.

The last day for gathering bags will be Sunday December 22nd.
Thank you, Allen and Carolyn Bouknight

THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone for all your prayers, cards, concerns, and phone calls.

Our church family means a lot to us.

Thanks again! Hank & Judi

Epiphany Bonfire

On January 10th at 6:30 pm we will gather outside at Salem for an Epiphany Bonfire. This will be a time to usher in the New Year. Feel free to bring items of your choosing to roast such as hot dogs, marshmallows, etc.... Hot chocolate will be provided. You may also want to bring your Christmas tree to burn if you have taken it down. Other items to bring are a flashlight and a lawn chair.

Winter Celebration

Winter Celebration for our senior high youth is January 24-26. Please contact Allison Ullrich or Pastor Derek if you're interested in going.

A warm "thanks" from the Boggs family

Meredith and I appreciate all of the joyful thoughts, gifts, and prayers everyone has so generously given surrounding the birth of our first grandchild, Owen. In addition, thank you so much for your generosity during this Christmas season. Zach and Sydney also extend their thanks for your outpouring of love and concern as they begin this new journey of parenthood.

My family and I would like to thank the whole congregation for the money and gift card. Trying to settle in our new place took all of our money so we didn't have enough money for Thanksgiving. Now because of the whole congregation we are able to have a nice Thanksgiving dinner. I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and bless all.

The Collier Family



To the glory of God and in memory and honor of the following individuals, the flowers in the church are given by:

Donna Alexander

In Memory of: Roger and Ricky Alexander

In Honor of: Deana Griffin

Claude and Marilyn Baldwin

In Memory of: Mr. and Mrs. Lacy King, Sr.

In Honor of: Mr. and Mrs. Lacy King, Jr.

Jim and Donna Bryan

In Memory of: Tilman and Myrtle Hiveley

Guy Taylor, a friend

Annabelle Craun

In Memory of: Bobby Craun

Doris Grant

In Memory of: Wade and Maxine Hawkins

Robert and Louise Harris

In Honor of: Our Grandchildren

Austin and Teeghan

Charles and Helen Marie Leach

In Honor of: H.C. Coffman Sr. Family

Margie Moore

**In Memory of: Marhlin Moore
Susan Moore Arey**

Charlie and Rebecca Munse

**In Memory of: Albert Frances Munse
John and Sara Minix**

Pap and Grammy

In Honor of: Baby Owen

Grant and Teresa Richardson

**In Memory of: Mildred Richardson
Jim Richardson
Denver Lancaster
Michael Richardson**

Lynn Rogers

In Honor of: Family

Nelson and Cathy Terry

In Memory of: Lawrence and Norma Terry

Jim and Brenda Todd and family

**In Memory of: Wade and Maxine Hawkins
Jack and Jane Todd**

Salem Congregation

**In Honor of: Grant Richardson's service as
Council President**