

## FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE - 4:00 PM

**Prelude** *Worship Praise Band*

**Welcome**

**Scripture Reading** **Luke 2:1-14**

**Bringing in the Light of Christ**

**\*Hymn** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" ~ No. 234

**Children's Music** "Joy! Joy to the World"  
"Angels We Have Heard on High"

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath** *Michael and Laura Maxwell*  
(Please follow along with the reading on the opposite page)

**\*Hymn** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" ~ No. 220  
(Children process into the sanctuary)

**Scripture Reading** **Luke 2:15-20**

**\*Hymn** "Away in a Manger" ~ No. 217

**Pastoral/Offertory Prayer**

**Offertory** **Noel** ~ *Agape Hands Puppet Team*  
(Offering will be given to the United Methodist Children's Home unless otherwise designated.)

**Movie Clip** *A Charlie Brown Christmas*

**Meditation** *Rev. Rebecca Rutherford*

**Service of Communion**

We will participate in communion by the practice of intinction. Let the communion server place the bread in your hand. Then take the bread and dip it into the cup. After receiving the sacrament, you are welcome to spend some time in prayer at the altar. Please let the server know if you would like gluten free bread. Gifts left at the altar will be designated for the pastor's discretionary fund.

**Closing Carol** "Silent Night, Holy Night" ~ No. 239

You may activate your candles during Silent Night. At the end of the service, please return your candle to the containers provided.

**\*Benediction**

**\*Please stand as you are able.**

- Nursery is available for newborns through 3 yrs. old,  
located on the lower level of the Fellowship Hall.  
- Our Cry Room is available in the Narthex.  
- Please register your attendance in the binders provided.  
- If you need assistance during the service, please let one of the ushers know.

## CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE - 6:00 PM

**Prelude** "Gesù Bambino" ~ Yon  
*Wanda Cooper, organ*

**Welcome**

**Scripture Reading** **Luke 2:1-14**

**\*Hymn** "Joy to the World" ~ No. 246

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath** *Danny and Therese Hart*  
(Please follow along with the reading on the opposite page)

**\*Hymn** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" ~ No. 220

**Scripture Reading** **Luke 2:15-20**

**\*Hymn** "Away in a Manger" ~ No. 217

**Pastoral/Offertory Prayer**

**Prayer Response** "What Child Is This" ~ No. 219

**\*Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed ~ No. 881

**\*Glory Be to the Father** (Gloria Patri) ~ No. 70

**Offertory Prayer** *Brittney Liebke*

**Offertory** **Joseph's Lullaby**  
*Pat Shubird, soloist*  
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**Movie Clip** *A Charlie Brown Christmas*

**Meditation** *Rev. Bill Price*

**Service of Communion**

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**Closing Carol** "Silent Night, Holy Night" ~ No. 239

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**\*Benediction**

**\*Please stand as you are able.**

## Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Leader: Christ came to bring us salvation and has promised to come again. Let us pray that the Christmas season may fill us with peace and joy as we strive to follow the example of Jesus.

**All: Come, Lord Jesus**

Leader: Let us pray.

**All: Loving God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Savior, who enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin. Pour forth your blessings upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May their light reflect the splendor of Christ, who is Lord, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Leader: A reading from Luke, chapter 2, verse 10:

Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of a great joy for all people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.

Leader: We light this Christ candle as a symbol of Christ, divine Lord, born into human form, God incarnate, the Word made flesh. May the tiny babe lying in the manger remind us of the great power of God to reclaim, recreate and renew each and every one of his precious children.

**All: Welcome, Emmanuel, welcome!**

The center white Christ candle is lit.

Worship. Study. Serve.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DISCIPLESHIP HOUR (Sunday School)

**RELOCATING!**...Children's Sunday School Classes will be moving on January 6<sup>th</sup> to the Main Campus! Room assignments are as follows: Nursery is MC103 & MC104; 4th & 5th Grade is MC110; 3rd Grade is MC109; 1st & 2nd Grade is MC108; P-K & Kindergarten is MC107 on the lower level of the Fellowship Hall. *In addition to moving our classrooms Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup> we will no longer have the shuttle service to transport children or youth between campuses Sunday mornings.* Youth Sunday School classes will continue meeting on the West Campus in their regular rooms.

### WESLEYAN CLASS MEETING

...Have you ever wondered how the early Methodist movement began with just small groups? Are you wanting to move along the Discipleship Pathway and grow in your faith? Beginning January 9<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Rebecca Rutherford will be facilitating a "Class Meeting" small group experience. The group will meet 8 weeks on Wednesday evenings on the West Campus, room WC101 beginning at 6:00 p.m. Books are \$15. After you have registered online or by emailing [rebecca@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:rebecca@spanishfortumc.org), please pick your copy up in the church office and read chapter one before the first meeting.

### PARENTING A NEW GENERATION

...Need help understanding this new generation? Come join us for an 8 week series beginning January 9<sup>th</sup>. We will meet Wednesday nights from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. On the West Campus, room WD102. For more information, please contact [beth@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:beth@spanishfortumc.org), for more information.

### WINTER REVIVE 2019

...Make plans now to register for "abide" our Winter Revive 2019 at Shalimar Retreat Center for all youth grades 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>. Dates are January 18 - 20, 2019 for a cost of \$150. All money and forms are due by January 6<sup>th</sup>. Registration packets may be picked up at the church office.

### CHILDREN'S WINTER RETREAT

...Come experience Blue Lake for a winter weekend with great fun & friends! Camp dates are February 1- 3, 2019. Registration is open at [www.bluelakecamp.com](http://www.bluelakecamp.com). Cost is \$130. Registration closes January 18<sup>th</sup>. We also are in need of volunteers to chaperone. Please download paper registrations and return by mail, fax, or email. Volunteer Registration is \$75.

### ECUADOR MISSIONS TRIP 2019

...Sign up now for the 2019 Ecuador mission trip! July 13 - 20 we will be traveling to Tabacundo, Ecuador where we will be helping to build a new kitchen and dining hall at a local church. We will also be leading a VBS for about 150 children in the community. A deposit of \$300 is due today. Limited spots are available so don't wait to sign up.

### A NOTE FROM FINANCE

All 2018 contributions must be mailed (postmarked), delivered to the church office (drop in the mail slot), or placed in the offering plate by December 31, 2018 in order to claim a charitable contribution deduction for 2018.

## Weekly Schedule

### TUESDAY, December 25 - SATURDAY, December 29

Christmas Holidays, Church office closed

### SUNDAY, December 30

10:00 a.m. One Blended Service (Sanctuary, Main Campus)

### MONDAY & TUESDAY, December 31 & January 1

New Year's Holidays, Church office closed

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### GIVING OPTIONS



- Give on our website at [www.spanishfortumc.org](http://www.spanishfortumc.org)
- Scan the QR code to the left with your cell phone app for easy access to our online giving.
- To set up a regularly scheduled automatic withdrawal from your bank account, contact Jan Webb in the church office or via email: [jan@spanishfortumc.org](mailto:jan@spanishfortumc.org).

*\*all gifts are tax-deductible and a year-end giving statement will be prepared for you for tracking and tax purposes.*



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## Christmas at the Movies: An Advent Series

# A Charlie Brown Christmas



# Christmas



# Welcome...

Christmas Eve  
December 24, 2018