

DECEMBER SERVING SCHEDULE

Elders: Bob Foster, Betty Jones
Diaconate: Alyssa Wilson, Doug Barnes,
Kenny Bratton, Denise Walker
Narthex Greeter: Dottie Wheeler
Cares & Concerns: Leonard & Alice Gallimore

ACOLYTES

12.03 Caroline Pappas
12.10 Emily Phillips
12.17 Erika Akers
12.24 Erin Wilson
12.31 Michaela Akers

CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

12.03 “The Prophets Show the Way to Bethlehem”
Storyteller: Lori Phillips
Greeter: Emily Phillips
12.10 “Mary & Joseph Show the Way to Bethlehem”
Storyteller: Lori Phillips
Greeter: Jordan Phillips
12.17 “The Shepherds Show the Way to Bethlehem”
Storyteller: Lori Phillips
Greeter: McKenzie Pappas
12.24 “The Magi Show the Way to Bethlehem”
Storyteller: Lori Phillips
Greeter: Erin Wilson
12.31 “Christmas-Meeting the Christ Child”
Storyteller: Lori Phillips
Greeter: R.J. Phillips

COMMUNION PREPARATION

12.03 Frances Yeomans/Sandy Pascoe
12.10 Gary & Sally Davis
12.17 Buddy & Janet Johnston
12.24 Doyle Barton/Dee McConnell
12.31 Barbara Turk

COMMUNITY TABLE

12.02 Altizer Team
12.09 Cheverton Team
12.16 Christ Church
12.23 Steering Team
12.30 Chrisman Team

WORSHIP LEADER

12.03 Lori Whitt
12.10 Andrew Thomas
12.17 Jenny Doud
12.24 Wes Wilson
12.31 Gloria Boyd

WELCOME CENTER

12.03 Sally Davis
12.10 Kathy Young
12.17 Jenny Doud
12.24 Sally Davis
12.31 Sally Davis

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

to

REACH UP, REACH IN, REACH OUT

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REACHING UP **WORSHIP EMPHASIS**

“Angels Among Us: #DoNotBeAfraid”

The angels that appear in the story of Jesus’ birth would have been very comfortable in our world of tweets and hashtags. Their messages were often short and to the point – their favorite line being #DoNotBeAfraid. As we look at the stories of these winged messengers to Zechariah, Mary, Joseph and the Shepherds and their reactions to them, we will contemplate what messages we can offer that will counteract a culture of fear and bring #morehope, #morepeace, #morejoy, and #morelove to the world.

12.03 Make Ready a People: #morehope

12.10 Nothing is Impossible: #morepeace

12.17 Christmas Cantata: “Go Sing It On The Mountain”

12.24 This Will Be a Sign: #morelove

12.31 Special Guest Preacher – Dennis Martin

REACHING OUT OPPORTUNITIES

*Shop at Hollyberry Fair

*Christmas Cards for Veterans

*Take a star from the Angel Tree

*Food Sunday Dec. 3rd

* CYF Fundraiser for Resurrection 2018

* Elf Shelf

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REACHING IN OPPORTUNITIES

*Women’s Spiritual Life Group Dec.4th and 11th.
 6PM at Wendy’s house, 308 Meadow Ridge, Radford.
 Childcare provided. A reflection on God in the everyday and
 Praying the Scriptures.

*Sunday School Classes for All Ages

Sunday School Attendance:

Worship Attendance:

November 5	35	November 5	145
November 12	36	November 12	128
November 19	21	November 19	110
November 26	20	November 26	115

ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

Love our church?

Invite your friends to worship with us this Advent Season.
 If we have 700 people worship with us during Advent and
 Christmas Eve, Wendy will do the Polar Plunge in a
penguin costume.

DECEMBER DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Date	Morning	Evening
	2 Peter	Ezekiel
1	3	40, 41
	1 John	
2	1	42, 43, 44
3	2	45, 46
4	3	47, 48
		Daniel
5	4	1, 2
6	5	3, 4
7	2 John	5, 6, 7
8	3 John	8, 9, 10
9	Jude	11, 12
	Revelation	Hosea
10	1	1, 2, 3, 4
11	2	5, 6, 7, 8
12	3	9, 10, 11
13	4	12, 13, 14
14	5	Joel
		Amos
15	6	1, 2, 3
16	7	4, 5, 6
17	8	7, 8, 9
18	9	Obadiah
19	10	Jonah
		Micah
20	11	1, 2, 3
21	12	4, 5
22	13	6, 7
23	14	Nahum
24	15	Habakkuk
25	16	Zephaniah
26	17	Haggai
		Zechariah
27	18	1, 2, 3, 4
28	19	5, 6, 7, 8
29	20	9, 10, 11, 12
30	21	13, 14
31	22	Malachi

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Steve Eaton	4
Jordan Phillips	6
Max Mottesheard	8
D. R. Barton	8
Christi J. Hays	8
Sophia Hurst	10
Adam Turk	10
Todd Harkrader	11
Carrie Pascoe	13
Judy Totten	13
Tom Townsend	14
Maggie Turk	14
Tyler Matusevich	15
Jeremy Rhea	15
Jerry Cornell	16
Carlton Altizer	18
Michael Davis	18
Doyle Barton	19
Lisa Altizer	20
John Fox	22
R.L. Thomas	24
Meg Johnson	25
Ethan Jones	27
Sarah Akers	29
Amanda Dudley Hopkins	30
Brian Earles	30
JoAnna Fox	31
Randi Lemmon	31
Charlie Thornton	31

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

David & Angela Thompson	17
Ken & Janet Bratton	24
Brigham & Ashley Wilson	24

Sympathy

To: Family of Clyde Vanhoozier, father of Janice Cheverton.

To: Family of William Akers, father of Tony Akers.

To: Family of Wilma Walker, mother of Ken Walker.

To: Family of Andrew Hopkins, brother of Lewis Hopkins.

To: Family of David Dennis, nephew of Sidney White.

Thank You

✚ Dear Unity Christian Church,
Thank you so much for the food, plant, cards, phone calls and visits after the loss of my father. Your kindness is the loving gift that cannot be wrapped.

Love,
Tony & Julie Akers

✚ Thank you to our church family for your many acts of kindness, your thoughts and prayers, and the beautiful peace lily during our dad's (Clyde Vanhoozier) stay at rehab and his passing. Special thanks to Wendy, Jackie Lemmon, and all the ladies who prepared the delicious food for our family and friends. You truly are a wonderful congregation.

Love,
Janice & Dan Cheverton
and the Vanhoozier Family



WHAT'S ON WENDY'S MIND?

This Sunday, Dec. 3 will be the first Sunday of Advent. Each Sunday of Advent we will gather as a Faith Family so God can remind us what Christmas is really about. We will watch the candle light on the Advent wreath grow to remind us of Christ's presence that is with us and how he will also come again.

When the craziness, or the pain, or the stress of the Christmas season seems to paralyze us or overwhelm us, we have the gift of gathering each Sunday of Advent to remember the coming of the Christ Child and the love of God that comes to us and meets us wherever we are at.

I invite us to all make a worship a priority this Advent Season so that we can find ourselves in the presence of God and one another and hear and experience the good news of hope, peace, joy, and love.

See you on Sunday!

Blessings and Love,

Wendy

Congratulations:

- ❖ Josh & Amanda Talbert had a baby girl, Kylee Grace.
- ❖ James & Kelly Weaver had twin girls, Avery & Charlotte.
- ❖ Jeffrey Twiddy and his children Jeffrey, Gabby and Trent were baptized November 5th.
- ❖ Brigham & Ashley Doud joined the church November 12th.
- ❖ Lynn Martin joined the church November 26th.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH FELLOWSHIP FUNDRAISER

Do you need help with something? Maybe cleaning the house, raking leaves, babysitting ... The Christian Youth Fellowship (grades 6-12) youth group members are self-fundraising for their trip to Resurrection in January 2018. If you would like to help them reach their goal, contact any youth group member, Nicole (540-818-2529) or Carlton to set-up.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

C.W.F. CIRCLE MEETINGS

TUESDAY, December 5, 2017

- OASIS (Lila) meet at Sharkey's at 11:45 for lunch
- YAH (Ruth) **will not meet**
- M&M's (Janet B.) **will not meet**
- C.W.F Meeting: **NO meeting**

ELF SHELF

Friday, December 1st from 10:00 – 1:00 at Grove United Methodist Church. Thanks to all our committed Elves and all that brought gifts that will brighten a child's heart on Christmas morning.

ANGEL TREE

Please bring UNWRAPPED gifts back (tape star to the gift) by December 10th and place in box near the Angel Tree. We are helping TWO families with total of 2 adults and 5 children. Thanks to all who are participating in this wonderful ministry!

HOLLYBERRY FAIR

Saturday, December 2nd. NEW HOURS: 9:00 – 1:00.

- Lunch: Hot Dog, Chips & Drink: \$3.00
- UCC Youth Groups will be selling items as fundraiser for Resurrection trip
- Need baked goods, candy, brownies, canned goods, homemade treats: please bring to the church by Friday evening for pricing (by 7:00). **DO NOT CUT.** Please use disposable pans if possible (if you use your pan, please put name on it).
- We will be working at the church Monday-Friday from 10-12 and again from 6:30-7:30/8:00 so please come help if you can
- This is the only fundraiser the CWF does to support many local missions such as The Women's Resource Center, Our Daily Bread, Fairview Home, The Clothing Bank, August Kids Project & Craig Springs so please come, bring a friend, shop and eat lunch with us! **SUPPORT OUR YOUTH GROUPS TOO!!!**