

December 21, 2014
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Union Cross Moravian Church

“A Christian Family seeking to reflect God’s Love”

Welcome and Announcements

As the Prelude plays let us prepare our hearts with a moment of silence.
Join together as we sing and pray from the Moravian Book of Worship (Blue)

Prelude

Call to Worship

Lighting of Advent Star and Wreath

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Liturgy of Advent

Scripture Reading

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16	Pg. 219
Romans 16:25-27	Pg. 806
Luke 1:26-38	Pg. 723

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

Kneeling at the Manager – Beebe

Doxology

Children’s Worship

Hymn 276

Veiled in Darkness J4udah Lay

Sermon-Rev. Don Griffin

“Fear Fails/Faith Wins”

Hymn 293

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Benediction

Postlude

Watchword for the Week is from Luke 1:49
The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Friends and Relatives

Alice & Ron Linville - John Williams
Amanda Griffin - Krystal Perry
Anita Whittington-Michelle Hopkins
Barb & Sonia Undseth - Marilyn Dahl, Hope DeVries, Carolyn Merritt, Hilda Donaldson, Nadine and Claude Thompson, Dennis Olson
Barbara Shields-Bernice Weavil
Beth Tucker- Emily and Andy Friedman
Cindy Johnson - Bill, Roxanne, Jessy and Charlotte Maham, Rachel Smith
Carol Grandy - Pat Tucker
Connie & Charles Leonard - Johnny Lucas
Clothes Closet Requests: Durrell Bias, Shannon Smith
Danny & Teresa Sells - Sonia & Jeff McGill, Paul Harrell, Opal Brown, Natalie, Felicia and Anthony Favle; Charles and Jennifer London, Ola Mason
Dot & Terry Tucker - Todd Jenkins
Dwight & Catherine Jenkins - Kelly & Sharon Vincent, Dylan Bullins
Jane Lawrence-Judy Daniels
Janice Reich - Michael Hicks, Melissa Meacham, Jimmy Barber, Mandee Vogt
Jeff & Jennifer Bondurant - Bobby Culler, Mike Joyce, Evelyn Gardner, Shannon Clark, Mildred Bondurant
Jennifer Smith- Dolly Dunnagan
Jerry & Beth Parker- Micah Hicks
Jo and Bob Dickey - Doris Burnworth
Joan Grant- Junior (Virgil) Grant
Judy Hartley - Doris McKnight
Judy Leonard - Travis Leonard
Judy Welch - Ronnie Southern, Don Stewart, Kim Strong, Patsy Stewart Michelle Welch
Karen & Doug Vaughn_ - Larry Craver
Kristi Whittington - Ron and Bobbie Carter, Nina Parks, David Turner and the Deonanan Family
Kim Greene-Kermit Brothers
Lilly Boyd- Savannah Williams
Linda Motsinger-Shelby Motsinger, Francis Marion
Marie DiPresso Long - Carissa DiPresso
Paige Deal - Kent Lauten, Donna Thomas, Brenda Luck
Ronnie & Barbara Lauten-Tom Barrett
Sarah Draper-Nathan Evans, Chelsea Sawyer, Tucker Osborne, Jayne Hill
Samantha Manring - Mattie Rose, Melanie Holtzclaw, Megan Park
Tara Sells - Austin Murray
Terry & Nancy Sells - Charles Riegler, Jim Reynolds, Debbie Sells, Katherine Sides
Wendy Yokley- Betsy Freeman, Brandon Huie, Ricky Yokley

Today

Announcements Cindy Pruitt

Call to Worship Childrens' Hand Bells

Nursery Teresa Sells Cindy Johnson

S.S. Opening Ronnie Sisk

Custodial Check Dan Johnson Jerry Long

Greeters- Narthex Mike and Sandy Sisk

Back Vestibule Philip Sells

Ushers for Dec. Doug Vaughn Terry Tucker

Next Sunday

Announcements Cindy Pruitt

Call to Worship Catherine Jenkins

Nursery Tammy and Danielle Shamel

S.S. Opening Karen Vaughn

Custodial Check Jerry Long David Draper

Greeters- Narthex Mike and Sandy Sisk

Back Vestibule Philip Sells

Ushers for Jan. David Kapp John Woodard

Today

8:00	AM	Praise Team Rehearsal
9:00	AM	Contemporary Worship and Praise Service
9:45	AM	Sunday School Opening
10:00	AM	Sunday School Class
11:00	AM	Worship Service
7:00	PM	Christmas Candlelight Lovefeast

Thursday-Christmas Day

10:00	AM	Lessons and Carols
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Announcements

The Christmas Spirit-Our church has had several opportunities to share the Christmas spirit with those less fortunate in our community and to lift the spirits of everyone during the past week.

- The Youth presented their Christmas play last week and touched the hearts of all those in attendance as they revealed the miracle of Christ's birth from the perspective of a group of small children in Bethlehem.

- The Joy Group took toys to the WFMY Gifts for Kids last Sunday afternoon.

- Christmas families from Union Cross Academy received their Christmas gifts on behalf of our church.

- The Saints and Sinners went to Independence Retirement Village on Tuesday night. They brought carols and a devotional to the seniors.

- Thursday, Union Cross Academy's fifth graders came and participated in a traditional candle tea and learned about the traditions of Moravians.

Tonight we also have an opportunity to share that Christmas spirit- Our Christmas Lovefeast and candlelight service will be this evening at 7:00pm. The band will play at 6:30. Bring your family and neighbors and come early to hear the band's carols, fellowship with your church family, and *worship together in celebration of the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ!*

The Unity Prayer Watch- Union Cross is scheduled to participate in the Unity Prayer Watch on January 1, 2015 from 8 AM until 4 PM. The prayer watch means prayer is being offered somewhere in the Unity 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Sign up is in the Fellowship Hall.

The Story- We will continue our curriculum of The Story next week, December 28th, with Chapter 13, *The King Who Had it All*.

Ministry Opportunity- It's time to make the **2015 Nursery Schedule**. Please prayerfully consider this vital ministry. If you are on the nursery schedule, if you would like to be on the nursery schedule or if you would like to be removed from the nursery schedule please let Cindy Johnson know by December 31. Please contact Cindy by phone or e-mail 336-817-2006 or cjohnson1957@triad.rr.com.

Wall Hanging Raffle- Cindy Johnson made a beautiful quilted wall hanging that will be raffled off January 14th at the next Backpack Program fundraiser. If you would like to purchase a ticket see someone from the Adult Fellowship Class. Tickets are 1 for a dollar or 6 for five dollars.

Church Council will be on Sunday, January 25, 2015. Church Council will elect 1 Trustees (To serve a 2 year term.), 2 Graveyard board members, a church council secretary and 1 RCC representative. Nominations are being accepted by the Nomination Committee which consists of Dan Johnson, Charles Leonard, Ronnie Lauten and the at large member, Ronnie Sisk.

Save the Date -Mark your calendars for **Saturday, February 28th** to attend **Leadership Focus 2015, Be the Church: Living Faith in a New Generation**. From fall 2014 through fall 2015 the Comenius Learning Series will focus on ways to be the church in a new generation, using the 600th celebration of the legacy of John Hus as inspiration. Leadership Focus 2015 will include morning workshops followed by a mission blitz that will provide adults, youth and children an opportunity to partner with community organizations on a special afternoon project. Join us on this journey as we explore ways to be the church in a new generation.

Registration opens December 15th.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members:

Frances Brown, Randall Coble, Jo Dickey, Bill Gibson, Ruby Gibson, Stan Grandy, Tom Grant, Craig Haney, Mike Harris, Billy Hooker, Josie Jenkins, Haylie Kiger, Mary Lawson, Pauline Marsh, Juanita Reid, Tim Ridge, Nancy Sells, Jonnie Tucker, Doug Vaughn, Dana Wadford, Jerry Weavil, Robert Welch, Judy Welch, Scott Willard, Alton Wood, Virginia Yokley and any unspoken prayers.

If you are visiting today, we are glad to have you worshipping with us. Please take time to fill out this Communication Sheet and place it in the offering plate.

If you are interested in any of the ministries of our church either as a volunteer or needing any services of any particular ministries, please circle the ministry that is of interest to you. Please, give your name and a contact number where we may reach you. Someone from that particular ministry will get in touch with you.

More information is available concerning opportunities in our *Welcome Packet*. If you would like a *Welcome Packet* and did not receive one, please notify an usher.

December 21, 2014 - Union Cross Moravian Church Ministries:

A	Adult Choir	L	Mowing
B	After-School / Summer Camp	M	Out Reach Ministry
C	Band	N	Prayer Wrap Ministry
D	Back Pack Program	O	Senior Friends
E	Children's Choir	P	Ushers
F	Church and Sunday School	Q	Women's Fellowship
G	Dieners	R	Women's Bible Study
H	Hand Bells	S	Youth Groups
I	Hospitality Committee	T	
J	Meals on Wheels	U	
K	Men's Fellowship	V	
Other:			

Name: _____

Visitor _____ Member _____ Change of Address

I would like to receive the church newsletter via e-mail

My email address is: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail: _____

Add Remove the following name from the prayer list:

I would like the Pastor to contact me.

Message to the Pastor: _____

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**Prayer Request for Family & Friends Serving in Active Duty Military
 Chris Caulder, Paul Cheek, David Collins, Brad Everhart, Derek Vogt**

December

Dec. 24-25 Church Office will be closed
 25 Christmas Service-Lesson and Carols 10 AM

Looking to January

Jan. 1 Unity Prayer Watch 8 AM -4PM
 Church Office Closed
 Jan. 4 Men's Breakfast 8 AM at C & H cafeteria
 Communion 11 AM
 Jan. 5 Women's Bible Study 12:45 PM
 Elder's Board Meeting 7 PM
 Jan. 6 Women's Circle Meetings 9:30 AM and 7 PM

General Fund 2014	November, 2014	YTD Actual
Income	\$18,856.39	\$208,794.14
Expenses	\$21,174.27	\$226,935.54
Gain/Loss	(\$2,317.88)	(\$18,141.40)

Reminder: During the Worship Services please either turn off your cell phone or put it on vibrate.

Suggestions or questions for any church concerns
