

December 17, 2017

Third Sunday of Advent

Union Cross Moravian Church

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

Chimes

Taylor Draper

Lighting of Advent Candle

Cailin Barrett

Call to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

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Liturgy for Advent

Pastoral Prayer

Sharing our Gifts with the Lord

Offertory Hymn

“A Hallelujah Christmas”

Performed by Beneath the Cross

Hymn 280

“Immanuel, to You We Sing”

Children’s Program

Benediction



Pastor: Rev. Russell Williams
Choir Director: Phyllis Long

Organist/Pianist: Janice Reich
Alice Linville

Today

Sunday School

Opening

Ronnie Sisk

Infant Nursery

Frances Brown

Dee McGee

Preschool Nursery

Teresa Sells

Tot Noel

Custodial Check

Kim Craver

Lisa Willard

Greeters-Narthex

Mike and Sandy

Sisk

Greeter-Vestibule

Randy Knox

Usher Captains

for December

Doug Vaughn

Terry Tucker

Next Sunday

Sunday School

Opening

Karen Vaughn

Infant Nursery

Courtney Greene

Pam Greene

Preschool Nursery

Jennifer Smith

Michaela & Jesse

Smith

Custodial Check

Lisa Willard

Cindy Pruitt

Greeters-Narthex

Mike and Sandy

Sisk

Greeter-Vestibule

Randy Knox

Usher Captains

for January

David Kapp

John Woodard

Today

8:00 AM Praise Team Rehearsal

9:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service

9:45 AM Sunday School Opening

10:00 AM Sunday School Class

11:00 AM Worship Service

7:00 PM Candle Light Lovefeast

Monday

6:30 PM Girl Scouts

Tuesday

8:45 AM Candle Tea with UC Academy

**Church Office Closed Friday thru Monday
(Dec. 22nd-Dec. 25th)**

Christian love and sympathy is extended to the family of James Sells, who entered into the more immediate presence of his Lord and Savior on Friday, December 15, 2017.

Announcements

Church Nurseries- If you would like to be added or removed from the nursery roll for 2018, please let the church office know. We are looking for people that enjoy children and would be willing to serve about an hour in the nursery every 6 weeks.

Before and After School-Is in need of a Director, Assistant Director and Counselors. If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Megan Linville. Job descriptions can be picked up in the church office.

Unity Prayer Watch-Since 1957 the Unity Prayer Watch has assured that prayer for the work and witness of our world-wide Moravian Church is being offered somewhere in the world 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The Prayer Watch is a renewal of the "hourly intercession", begun in Herrnhut in 1727 which continued uninterrupted for 100 years. Our church will carry on the tradition

on January 1st from 4pm to midnight. Volunteers can sign up to pray for the Unity Prayer Watch in the Fellowship Hall.

The Christmas Cantata- “Tapestry of Light, A Celtic Christmas Celebration” has been rescheduled for 11 AM on December 24th. This jubilant work is filled with tuneful carols, thoughtful narration, and traditional melodies.

The Nominations Committee is working together to prayerfully nominate individuals to serve on the Board of Elders or Trustees for the next two years. If you are asked to be on the ballot, please know that you were chosen after much prayer and with much thought. Please prayerfully consider your nomination. If you have someone in mind that you would like to nominate, please contact anyone on the Nomination Committee **FIRST**. As always, anyone may be nominated from the floor of Church Council. It is our hope, however to secure a sufficient number of confirmed nominees beforehand to be better stewards of everyone’s time at Church Council.

Nomination Committee: Brad Johnson, Catherine Jenkins, Chrissy Johnson, Cindy Pruitt, Joan Grant (at large member), Karen Kapp and Kim Craver.

Crystal Etchings- We have a new shipment of Lovefeast crystals. If you would like one please see Natalie Johnson. Each crystal is \$50 and 100% of the total sale price goes to the church building fund.

Educational Opportunities for Seniors-Novant Health is offering several educational events for seniors dealing with depression, loss of pets, weight loss, and vascular screenings. Times/places and more information can be obtained from the bulletin board called “Senior Friends” in the educational wing.

† Prayer Request Updates †

Please Add: Sharon Carter, Judy Welch’s sister.

Traci Riffle, Tonia Crews

Please Remove: Pam Howell-entered into the more immediate presence of the Lord.

Fred Intisco

Ongoing prayer requests can be found in the Church Newsletter.

Any prayer requests or updates can be submitted either by email (ucmc@unioncrossmoravian.org) or by contacting the church office (336-769-2411).

Looking Forward

- Dec. 24** Christmas Cantata 11 AM Service
Dec. 25 Christmas Day-Church Office Closed
Dec. 31 Special Building Fund Offering
Jan. 1 Church Office Closed
Unity Prayer Watch 4pm-Midnight
Jan. 2 Circle Meetings
Jan, 3 Adult Choir Practice 7pm
Jan. 7 Communion 11am
Confirmation Class immediately after Worship
Jan. 8 Girl Scouts 6pm
Board of Elders 7pm

Watchword for the Week is from 1 Thessalonians 5:23

**Paul wrote: May the God of peace sanctify you entirely;
and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and
blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Our Generosity of Time and Treasures

Attendance 12/10/2017

Last Week's Offering \$1978

Praise Service	Canceled	12/03	\$5154
Sunday School	Canceled	11/27	\$3053
11 AM Worship Service	110	11/19	\$5016
		11/12	\$3354

Pastor's Office 336-986-9406

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The Secretarial hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., M-F

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