

Notes:

December 18, 2016
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Union Cross Moravian Church

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

Chimes

Lighting of Advent Wreath
O Come, O Come, Immanuel- Hymn 274

Welcome and Announcements

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Installation of New Members

Pastoral Prayer

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Hymn
Glad Tidings of Joy – Hayes

Doxology – Page 817

Hymn 305

What Child Is This

Sermon- Reverend Russ Williams
“The Christmas Prostitute”

Sermon Text: Joshua 2:1-21

Matthew 1:5

Hymn 782

Come, Thou Fount of Ev’ry Blessing

Benediction

Watchword for the Week is from Psalm 80:19

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Looking Forward

- Dec. 23 Church Office Closed
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day
No Praise Service or Sunday School
There will be a 11 o’clock Worship Service
- Dec. 26 Church Office Closed
- Dec. 28 Mission House Workday
- Jan. 1 Unity Prayer Watch 4 PM until Midnight
- Jan. 2 Board of Elders Meeting 7 PM
- Jan. 3 Women’s Circles
- Jan. 8 Epiphany Communion
Nursery Volunteers Orientation

Our Generosity

12/4 \$8148
11/27 \$3432
11/20 \$3149
11/13 \$2161

Attendance

Last Week

Praise Service 23
Sunday School 87
Worship Service 145



Pastor: Rev. Russell Williams

Organist/Pianist: Janice Reich

Choir Director: Phyllis Long

Alice Linville

Church Secretary: Dee McGee

Today

Infant Nursery
Catherine and Tony
Draper

Preschool Nursery
Kristi and
Samantha
Whittington

S.S. Opening
Ronnie Sisk

Custodial Check
Kim Craver
Bobby James

Ushers
Doug Vaugh
Terry Tucker

Next Sunday

Infant Nursery
Sarah Draper
Jessica Williams

Preschool Nursery
Cindy and Gracie
Pruitt

Custodial Check
Bobby James
Cindy Pruitt

Ushers 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

Wednesday

7:00 PM **NO** Adult Choir Practice

Announcements

Christmas Lovefeast & Candlelight Service-

Invite friends and neighbors to attend tonight's service at 7:00 PM where we will fellowship, worship and welcome Christmas in the typical Moravian tradition.

Afterschool Volunteers-Volunteers are needed at the afterschool program. They are looking for people willing to give 30 minutes a day from 3 until 3:30 PM. If you can contribute 30 minutes or a couple of hours a week please contact Megan Linville at 336-769-0107.

Unity Prayer Watch- Union Cross has an opportunity to participate in the Unity prayer watch on January 1, 2017 from 4PM until midnight. You can sign up for as little as 15 minutes or an hour or more in the fellowship hall. The Moravian Church has experienced spiritual renewal and strength through a covenant of prayer. In 1727, the church

in Herrnhut, Germany covenanted for an "hourly intercession" which continued for one hundred years with great blessing to the entire Moravian Church. The "Prayer Watch" in which Moravians around the world participate was reestablished in 1957, the 500th anniversary of the Unitas Fratrum.

Newsletter Deadline-Tomorrow (Dec. 19th) will be the deadline to get articles into the January Newsletter. Please submit them to Connie Leonard.

Christmas Day Worship Service- We will have a special 11 AM worship service on Christmas day. We will not have the Praise and Worship Service or Sunday School Christmas morning, but feel welcome to share the love of Christ with your family and friends as you enjoy Christmas morning in your home.

† Prayer Request Updates †

Please remove –**Shirley Willard** who has recovered from her recent surgery.

Carol, Leroy and Todd Debusk. Carol has entered the more immediate presence of the Lord. Todd still has cancer but treatment is improving his condition.

Hilda Donaldson, Dennis Olsen and Frank DeVries

Dorothy Earnhardt - Judy Leonard's mother. Dorothy is at home and doing better.

Robert Ashley (Betty Smith's brother) who has gone on to the more immediate presence of the Lord.

Please add- Christian love and sympathy is extended to the **family of Linda Haney**, whose brother, Bill Crawley, entered into the more immediate presence of the Lord on December 11, 2016.

Brenda Luck who had surgery recently and is recovering at home. (Brenda is Paige Deal's Sister)

Barb Padre and Holly Hale- friends of Sonia and Barb Undseth

Ronnie Jessup (Penny Coggins Jessup's husband) who had a massive heart attack.

Don Shields has been moved to
Hospice and Palliative Care Center
101 Hospice Lane
Winston-Salem, NC 27103

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).