

TRENHOLM ROAD

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



OUR MISSION: COME AND WORSHIP, GROW IN FAITH, SHARE THE WORD, GO AND SERVE

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

for

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023, at 8:45am & 11:00am

ENTRANCE

The flowers in the west foyer are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Rosalind Elizabeth Baker's namesakes Rosalind Allen, Betsy Caldwell and Betty Dial from her parents, Rockwell "Rocky" & Elizabeth "Liz" Baker.

GATHERING

Leader: God is good!

People: All the time

Leader: And all the time

People: God is good!

Welcome and Announcements

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus, setting by Jason Krug

Carillon Handbells Ensemble

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, people of faith, come join your hearts in worship.

People: We hear the invitation and hunger to join in the feast.

Leader: God is faithful and calls us into the loving presence of Jesus, who is the Christ.

People: We come to join with those who watch and wait and celebrate. Amen.

*HYMN

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

UMH 213

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

8:45 am Jack & Barrie Kirk

11:00 am Taylor, Liesl, Web and Eloise Baxter

THE GLORIA

"The Gloria"

To the tune of GLORIA

Glory now, forevermore

be to our redeeming Lord;

Praise to God, the One in Three,

as it was and e'er shall be.

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

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THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is celebrated for Rosalind Baker,
daughter of Rocky and Liz Baker.*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (11:00 am)

UMH 39

HYMN OF RESPONSE (11:00 am)

"I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry"

adapted from TFWS 2051

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold. When you heard the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong. I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Peter 3:8-15a NRSVUE

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be destroyed with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and destroyed and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish, and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Ashlea Cox

What is our prayer for these children?

**Our prayer is that our children will grow up to be like Jesus:
strong, loving, brave, and full of grace and truth;
and that we will help them.**

11:00 am only - Following the presentation, children in 4K through 1st grade are invited to attend Little Church in the Riser Room on the third floor of the Leisure Ministries Building. For first-time guests, please have each child escorted by an adult for check-in.

SOLO

Be Born In Me (Mary), by Herms & Nordeman

Linda Collins, *soprano*

SERMON

"What Kind of Humans Are We Being?"

Reverend James McCoy-Bruce

HYMN

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

UMH 218

MORNING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The pastor offers the morning prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Creation Will Be At Peace, by Williams & Page

Sanctuary Choir

*PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

SCAN TO GIVE



*ADVENT DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below:

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

To the tune of VENI EMMANUEL

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

UMH 196

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

Lift Up Your Heads, setting by Cherwien

Worship Leadership

Reverend James McCoy-Bruce, *Preacher*

Reverend Mollie Reddic, *Liturgist*

Worship Assistants

Mark Pleasant, *8:45 am Lay Reader*

Bryann Burgess, *11:00 am Lay Reader*

Will Cranford, *Acolyte*

Madeline Livingston, *Crucifer*

Chris Younts, *Usher Captain*

Musicians

Hans Boeschen, Lou Boeschen, Joshua Day, Mary Lance Garrison, *Handbells*

Daryl Byrd, *Carillon Handbell Choir Director*

Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir

Eben Trobaugh, *Assistant Conductor*

Reverend Sarah Fletcher, *Director of Music*

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING REPORT

Sunday, December 3

8:45 AM - 92 people

11:00 AM – 263 people

October Financial Report 2023

Annual Budget, \$1,528,470

Month-to-Date Receipts, \$90,631

Month-to-Date Expenses, \$141,669

Difference, (\$51,038)

Year-to-Date Receipts, \$965,112

Year-to Date Expenses, \$1,125,102

Difference, (\$159,990)

Prayer List: Avery Meekins, Bob Henry, Kristin Plyler, Pat and John Bolin, Joe Tuck, Allen Stokes, Bill Turbeville, Ann Meares, *sister of Catherine Williams*, Larry Ayers, Jeff Adams, *son of Jess & Myra Torres*, Shealy McCoy, Maxine Reynolds, *mother of Amy Craighead*, Eddie Drayton, Michael Reed, Nancy Howarth, *grandmother of Nathan Cox*, Jess & Myra Torres, Vernon Bowen, Paula Wilson, Suzanne Wise, Sharon Lentz, Robbie Bowers, Andrea Pyatt.

Prayers for Expectant Parents – Blythe & Kason Littlefield

December Angel Tree

With this year's Angel Tree Trenholm Road UMC will continue our support of Bradley Elementary.

We have gathered a Wishlist from the teachers and staff at Bradley Elementary and each angel contains an item or items from that list. Items do not need to be gift wrapped. Please leave your donation in the white bins in the foyer or under the angel tree.

Wednesday night, Dec. 13 meal – 5:30pm in the Gym

Adult meals \$10, Kids meals \$7 & Family meals are \$27.

Adults: Chicken gyro or chicken sandwich, assorted sides and salads, dessert

Kids: Mini turkey sub or PB&J Uncrustable, fruit snacks, grapes, chips and desserts

Please join us for a Birthday Party for Jesus on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 5:30 pm – 7 pm in the Gym. We will have a gingerbread decorating contest and games for children and youth. We will have card-making and writing activities for adults for shut-ins and homebound members of our congregation (youth lounge).

Newsletter Holiday Deadline

Submit articles to renee@trumc.org for the upcoming newsletter by December 13 at Noon.

Holiday Poinsettia

Poinsettia order forms are located in the narthex & west foyer. The deadline for orders is Dec. 13.

Lessons and Carols - The Sanctuary Choir will present its annual Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols, accompanied by a string quartet, on Sunday, December 17, at both the 8:45 am & 11:00 am services.

Christmas Eve - Join us on Sunday, December 24, as we celebrate the fourth Sunday of Advent in traditional worship with the Palmetto Brass at 11:00 am. A Children's Christmas Eve service will be held at 3:00 pm in the sanctuary, and our Christmas Eve Candlelight service with communion, candles and choir will begin at 5:00 pm in the sanctuary.

Thanks for Supporting Family Promise!

On behalf of Family Promise of the Midlands (FPM), thanks to all of you who made contributions to the designated FPM account here at Trenholm Road during the "host week" of December 10-16. In addition, thanks to the Contemporary Issues SS class, Hope SS class, Pathfinders SS class, and the Missions Core Team for their generous support. In addition to direct financial support from the Missions Core Team for rental expenses at the triplex, the 3 SS classes were able to provide 3 guest families with gift cards for groceries, gas, and restaurant meals, as well as home-cooked meals. Through a first-ever collaborative effort among the 7 churches with December host weeks, 4 guest families will also receive Christmas trees and decorations, holiday groceries and prepared meals, gifts for children and parents, and a sit-down supper gathering. These guest families have also been invited to attend Advent services and special events at all 7 churches.

Family Promise of the Midlands Information Sessions

As Family Promise of the Midlands (FPM) approaches its 10th anniversary, Trenholm Road, as one of FPM's founding congregations, has continued to support the mission of serving families with children who are experiencing homelessness in our community.

There are exciting changes in how FPM will operate in 2024. Please join us on Sunday, December 17 immediately following each worship service for a 15-minute information session in the sanctuary to learn about the new Big-12 Model that features multiple ways that you and Trenholm Road can support this critical missions effort. If you are unable to attend and would like more information, please contact Walter Caudle at waltercaudle@gmail.com.

Children and Youth Updates

Sunday, December 10: Middle School Boy's Bible Study 4:00 p.m.- offsite and UMYF- 5:30-7:00 p.m.- ornament making for Family Promise in the youth lounge.

Sunday, December 17: UMYF Christmas Party, 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the youth lounge.

Friday December 22: Youth Game Night, 7:00p.m.- 12:00 a.m. Email Linda - youth@trumc.org to sign up.

Sunday, December 31: One Sunday School Class, wear your Pjs! 9:45-10:45a.m. in the youth lounge.

Confirmation begins in January! Email Linda – youth@trumc.org for more information and to sign up! Confirmation is for any current 7th grade student or any 8th grade student that may have missed in years past! Email Linda with any questions: youth@trumc.org

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Sunday, Dec. 24

11:00 a.m. The Fourth Sunday of
Advent traditional service with
Palmetto Brass

3:00 p.m. Children's service

5:00 p.m. Candlelight with Holy
Communion and Sanctuary Choir



Retirement Reception

All are welcome to congratulate Reverend David Day on his retirement as Congregational Care Pastor of Trenholm Road UMC. The reception will be held in the Dining Room on Sunday, January 7, after the 11:00 am worship service. Join us as we thank him for his ministry to our congregation. David and Annie will continue their membership at TRUMC.

SAVE THE DATE: January 10 – March 6, 2024

Who: Instructor - Stacey Watts, Administrator and Dean of Coaches for the Leadership Parenting Institute

What: 8-Week Parenting Series at TRUMC

Where: TRUMC Sanctuary – 6:15 pm – 7:15 pm

When: Wednesday nights starting January 10 – March 6 (No class on Ash Wednesday – February 14)

Class is \$25/person or \$50/couple and includes book

Watch for registration details. Children's Ministry program & nursery provided. All are welcome!

Stewardship Update

As of this week, we have received 139 Pledges totaling \$1,000,805.32 toward the 2024 ministry budget.

We have ambitious plans for 2024 and encourage those who have not yet chosen to pledge to consider what Trenholm Road means to you and to our community. We are a powerful and generous congregation, and we look forward to our continued momentum.

Thank you again for your generosity.

TRUMC Business Office Reminder for Year-End

The Business Office will be open from Wednesday, December 27 through Friday, December 29 to accept your final pledges and gifts for 2023. Gifts will be accepted at the church until December 31. If you are mailing, your envelope must be postmarked 12/31/23. If you need assistance with your pledge balance, you may contact Catherine at 803-254-6695 extension 102.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Renee Foxe



Welcome to Trenholm Road United Methodist Church!

We are so glad to have you here today. We want to make sure that everyone is comfortable during worship. Please note that there are restrooms located on the main hallway before entering the sanctuary. For your convenience, there is also a water fountain located in the West Foyer. While you're in the West Foyer Welcome Center, be sure to pick up a copy of our newsletter and devotionals.

Nursery care is available for children 6 weeks through 4 years old on Sunday mornings.

Nursery care is available during all worship services and Sunday School times. Children under 2 are invited to stay in MB 19 and 2 years through 4 years in MB 12.

These rooms are on the bottom floor of the main building.

Two traditional worship services are held each Sunday at 8:45 AM and 11:00 AM.

Sunday school class is at 9:45 AM on Sunday mornings.

All are welcome