

# TRENHOLM ROAD

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

*for*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 24, 2023 *at* 11:00am

ENTRANCE

### GATHERING

Leader: God is good!

**People: All the time**

Leader: And all the time

**People: God is good!**

Welcome and Announcements

### PRELUDE

*Ding, Dong, Merrily on High* setting by Rutter

Palmetto Brass Ensemble

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: With gratitude and joy, come sing to the Lord.

**People: With songs of praise, we come.**

Leader: With thankfulness and cheer, lift hymns to God on high.

**People: With songs of praise, we come.**

Leader: With hope and joyful hearts, sing to Christ our King.

**People: With songs of praise, we come.**

### \*HYMN

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

UMH 234, stanzas 1-3 & 6

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Livingston Family — Vance, Lindsay, Carlisle and Madeline

## 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!  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!**

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Luke 1:46b-55** NRSVUE

"My soul magnifies the Lord,  
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,  
for he has looked with favor on the lowly state of his servant.  
Surely from now on all generations will call me blessed,  
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name;  
indeed, his mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones  
and lifted up the lowly;  
he has filled the hungry with good things  
and sent the rich away empty.  
He has come to the aid of his child Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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.*

## **VOLUNTARY**

*Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep*, by Rutter

Palmetto Brass Ensemble

## **SERMON**

“Good News/Bad News”

Reverend James McCoy-Bruce

## **SOLO**

*Gesu Bambino*, by Pietro Yon

Grace Harding, *soprano*

## **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**

*Festival First Nowell*, setting by Dan Forrest

Sanctuary Choir

## **\*PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

**SCAN TO GIVE**



**\*ADVENT DOXOLOGY**

*“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

*To the tune of VENI EMMANUEL*

**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.**

**SENDING FORTH**

**\*HYMN**

*“What Child is This”*

UMH 219

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*A Carol Fantasy, setting by Iveson*

Palmetto Brass Ensemble

## **Worship Leadership**

Reverend James McCoy-Bruce, *Preacher*

Reverend Mollie Reddic, *Liturgist*

## **Worship Assistants**

Shelby Watts, *Acolyte*

Brady Scott, *Crucifer*

Tut Underwood, *Lay Reader*

Chris Younts, *Usher Captain*

## **Musicians**

Charlie Polk and Francisco Ballestas Sayas, *trumpets*

Eric Gilfus, *horn*

Michael Wilkinson, *trombone*

Ron Davis, *tuba*

Davin Lail, *timpani*

Trenholm Road Sanctuary Choir

Eben Trobaugh, *Assistant Conductor*

Sarah Fletcher, *Director of Music*

## **ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING REPORT**

Sunday, December 17

8:45 AM – 130 people

11:00 AM – 210 people

November Financial Report 2023

Annual Budget, \$1,528,470

Month-to-Date Receipts, \$160,058

Month-to-Date Expenses, \$134,003

Difference, \$26,055

Year-to-Date Receipts, \$1,258,316

Year-to Date Expenses, \$1,380,745

**Difference, (\$122,429)**

## **Christian Sympathy:**

To Mrs. Christine Jerry Pool and family on the passing of Christine's father, Mr. Bill Jerry, on Dec.12, 2023. A funeral service was held at TRUMC on Mon. Dec. 18, 2023.

## **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.

## **Christmas Eve Worship Opportunities**

**3:00 pm – Children and Family Worship Service**

**5:00 pm – Candlelight Service with 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.

## Family Promise Assistance

Family Promise is in need of a used washer for one of the housing units. If anyone can help, please contact [alysha@familypromisemidlands.org](mailto:alysha@familypromisemidlands.org).

## Youth Updates

**Sunday, December 31:** One Sunday School Class, wear your Pjs! 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. in the youth lounge. **Confirmation begins in January!** Email Linda – [youth@trumc.org](mailto: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](mailto:youth@trumc.org)

### Sunday, January 7

UMYF Resumes at 5:15 p.m. with optional open gym, 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Dinner and fellowship, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and Lesson in the Youth Lounge.

### Monday, January 8

Youth Core Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Location TBD

### Wednesday, January 10

Wednesday Night Activities resume, Discipleship 6:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. in the Youth Lounge.

## January Book Club

The TRUMC Book Club will meet Monday, January 8 and discuss *Buy the Change You Want to See* by Morris & Paris. The group will meet at 6:30 pm in the parlor. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Jane Elliott for more info - [jelliott24@att.net](mailto:jelliott24@att.net).

## Wednesday Nights Resume on January 10.

The congregation will gather Wednesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the gym for a delicious fellowship meal. Both kids and adults can enjoy specially prepared meals. Adult meals are \$10. Kids meals are \$7. Family meals are \$27.

## January 10 meal

Adults: Chicken pilau, vegetable, bread, slaw and dessert

Kids: Chicken tenders, tater tots, string cheese, peach cup, and dessert

## Small Group Opportunities

**Pastor James** will lead a small group study and discuss the book, *The 28-Day Prayer Journey*, by Chrystal Evans Hurst on Wednesday nights.

Jan 10 – Feb 7 @ 6:15 pm (Dining Room)

Register to attend – [trenholmroad.org](http://trenholmroad.org) - \$10 (includes book)

**Stacey Watts** will lead a Parenting Class – Jan. 10 – Mar. 6 on Wednesday nights.

Topic: The Well-Behaved Child @ 6:15 pm (Sanctuary)

Register to attend – [trenholmroad.org](http://trenholmroad.org) - \$25/person

**Pastor Mollie Reddic** will lead a Tuesday class.

Topic: Women's Encounters with Jesus in the Gospels

Tuesdays at Noon (Jan 9) (Parlor)

Register to attend - [trenholmroad.org](http://trenholmroad.org) – Lunch provided (bring Bible)

## **Stewardship Update**

As of this week, we have received 146 Pledges totaling \$1,056,705 toward the 2024 ministry budget of \$1,425,000. 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.

### **TRENHOLM RD UMC STAFF**

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SENIOR PASTOR: Rev. James McCoy-Bruce

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DIRECTOR, TRUMPS PRESCHOOL: Tiffany Helms

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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