

*Our love and sympathy is extended to Margaret Barnette and her family upon the death of her niece, Gail Vance on November 20.*

**Prayer Concerns**

Andie Rae Andrews, Lisa Bolick, Regis Bryer, Betsy Burnell, Maurice Capps, William Carter, Louise Causby, Matt Chrien, Jodie Cox, Art Cummings, Gene & Gloria Edge, Barry Glenn, Bob Gorman, Vivian Grainger, Carla Haase, Maggie Harms, Leon Hartline, Sharon Hodias, Andrew Maddry, Max Markham, Bob Myers, Mike Preib, Joan Quaille, Bill Richards, Kay Roebuck, Skeet Royster, Dennis Scercy, Bob Sims, Sylvia Sims, Joe Smith, Michael Stewart, Julie Turner, Cody Turton

*If you have a prayer concern you would like to share, please go to our website and click on the "Prayer Request" box at the bottom of the home page.*

**Happy Birthday!**

**Nov 28** Lylamarie Burdick, Tom Masten, Tom McClure

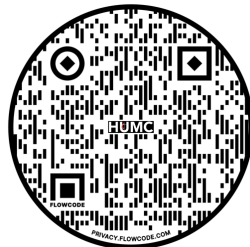
**Nov 29** Claudia Summers

**Dec 01** Bill Johnson, Faye McConnell

**Dec 03** Frank Milesky, Lou Power

October 2022	
<b>General Giving Budget</b>	<b>\$ 70,536.00</b>
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	
<b>General Income</b>	<b>\$ 55,740.00</b>
Missions/Rent/Other	\$ 11,241.00
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>\$ 66,981.00</b>
Budget YTD General	\$ 685,714.00
<b>Actual YTD General</b>	<b>\$ 705,179.00</b>

We believe that GOD does immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine when we partner with God in giving to missional-ministry. For your convenience, HUMC offers electronic online giving (use the QR code above), in-person giving, by mail giving, and gifted stock transfer. For more details on stock giving, please contact the church office.



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**November 27, 2022**  
**The First Sunday in Advent**  
**8:30 a.m.**



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Announcements

Prelude

Sherry Malia

\*Call to Worship

Rev. Rod Arters

Leader: I will listen for what God, the Lord, has to say;

**People: surely he will speak of peace**

**ALL: Come, Emmanuel.**

\*Opening Hymn (202)

*“People, Look East”*

Opening Prayer

**In the last days they will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. So, in these days, we will turn around the camera of our self-centered selfies to take a long, loving look at the face of Christ in others. So, in these days, we will upturn the podium of our calculated competitiveness and elevate the least among us. So, in these days, we will dismantle the walls of our fear, which keep at arm’s length the refugees, the foreigners, the homeless, and build them homes with those same bricks and these same arms. Amen.**

Response

**Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel; Shall Come to Thee O Israel.**

Lighting of the Advent Candle

The Kerns Family

Response

*“Light the Advent Candle”*

**Light the Advent candle, one: Now the waiting has begun; we have started on our way, time to think of Christmas Day. Candle, candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night; candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light.**

Passing the Peace of Christ

Hymn (204)

*“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”*

Prayers of the People / The Lord’s Prayer

**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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, Power, and Glory, forever, Amen.**

Offertory

*“Jesus Messiah”*

Charles Morrow

\*Doxology (95)

**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. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

**Genesis 3:1-15, Roman 16:20**

Sermon

**“Protoevangelium”**

Rev. Paul B. Thompson

\*Closing Hymn (196) *“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”*

Dismissal with Blessing

\*Please stand as you are able.

### Announcements

**Welcome!** We are so happy to see you this morning. If you are visiting for the first time with us today, please visit the “Connect” table and fill out an information card.

**Advent Devotions** Watch your email boxes for daily Advent devotions beginning tomorrow. If you do not receive our emails, please call or email Tabitha in the church office. The devotions will follow **Who Needs Christmas**, a bible study by Andy Stanley. The book can be purchased on Amazon if you are interested.

**Amazon Shopping** Don’t forget you can help support the ministries of HUMC while you shop this holiday season. Make sure you are shopping from **smile. Amazon.com** and you choose Huntersville United Methodist Church.

**Friday, December 2 @ 7:00pm** North Mecklenburg Community Chorus will present “Holiday Classics.” Don’t miss this family fun concert featuring all your favorite songs like Jingle Bells, Home for the Holidays, Silver Bells, Up on the Housetop and music from The Grinch plus a visit with Ole Saint Nick himself! This concert is free.

**Saturday, December 3** Please join us at 8:00am in the church parking lot with blowers and rakes to remove leaves. Please confirm your participation with Chris Smith at 704-807-3378. Thank you in advance!

**Sunday, December 4 Calling all greeters!** Please meet at 10:00am in the front lobby to greet preschool families at both front and back entrances, to securely escort them to classrooms and Worship Center for the 10:30 worship service. Please confirm your participation with John McCann at 704-905-4743.

**Caroling** Join us Sunday, December 4 @ 5pm for church-wide caroling for our neighbors and community.

**Monday, December 5** The Community Singers of Lake Norman, led by our own Charles Morrow, will present a concert here at 7:00pm.

**Sunday, December 11 @ 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall** Join us for a fun evening as we have a "friendly" competition building gingerbread houses. Bring your family or come with a friend. One kit per family or additional kits can be purchased. This event is fun for all ages! Prizes will be awarded & lite refreshments will be served! **Please register on Church Center.**

**Food Pantry** December Needs: breakfast cereal, canned fruit, liquid dish soap.