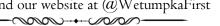
READING THE BIBLE THROUGH: December				
	□1 Hosea 7-8	Ps. 137	Luke 24	
	□ 2 Hosea 9-10	Prov. 20	Matthew 1	
	□ 3 Reflect on God as Giver			
	☐ 4 Hosea 11-12	Ps. 128	Matt. 2	
	□ 5 Hosea 13:-14	Prov. 21	Matt. 3	
	□ 6 Joel	Psalm 139	Matt. 4	
	☐ 7 Amos 1-3	Prov. 22	Matt. 5	
	☐ 8 Amos 4-5	Ps. 140	Matt. 6	
	□ 9 Amos 6-7	Prov. 23	Matt. 7-8	
	□ 10 Reflect on God as King of Kings			
	☐ 11 Amos 8-9	Ps. 141	Matt. 9	
	□ 12 Obadiah	Prov. 24	Matt. 10	
	□ 13 Jonah 1-2	Ps. 142	Matt. 11	
	□ 14 Jonah 3-4	Prov. 25	Matt. 12	
	□ 15 Micah 1-3	Ps. 143	Matt. 13	
	□ 16 Micah 4-5	Prov. 26	Matt. 14	
	☐ 17 Reflect on God as Savior			
	□ 18 Micah 6-7	Ps. 144	Matt. 15	
	□ 19 Nahum	Prov. 27	Matt. 16	
	□ 20 Habakkuk	Ps. 145	Matt. 17	
	□ 21 Zephaniah			
	□ 22 Haggai	Ps. 146	Matt. 19	
	□ 23 Zech. 1-3	Prov. 29	Matt. 20	
	□ 24 Reflect on God as Emmanuel			
	□ 25 Zech. 4-6		Matt. 21	
	□ 26 Zech. 7-8		Matt. 22	
	□ 27 Zech. 9-10			
	□ 28 Zech. 11-12			
	□ 29 Zech. 13-14		Matt. 25-26	
		□ 30 Malachi 1-2 Prov. 31:10-31 Matt. 26-27		
	□ 31 Malachi 3-4	Ps. 150	Matt. 28	

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December 17, 2023

Third Sunday of Advent



Mission Statement:

Worship Passionately Love Extravagantly Witness Boldly

Order of Worship

Liturgical Color: Purple

Welcome and Announcements

Deanna Nelson

Offering Moment

Dennis Fain

Prelude "Carol of the Bells" Kathy Willis & Susan Legvold

*Hymn *"Joy to the World"* (vs. 1,2,4) Pg. 201

Lighting of the Advent Candle 8 A.M. Mark & Donna Matthews 10 A.M. Eric & Katie Brent Family

Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles Creed) Congregation

Children's Moment Mrs. Tammy (Kids will exit for Children's Church today)

*Doxology (Ushers bring the offering forward) Congregation

Prayer Concerns Rev. Matt Albritton

Lord's Prayer Rev. Matt Albritton

Anthem "Glory to the Newborn King" Chancel Choir

Scripture Luke I:39-45 Rev. Matt Albritton

Sermon Joy Unspeakable Joy Rev. Matt Albritton

*Hymn "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (vs. 1,3) Pg. 195

Postlude Kathy Willis

The beautiful flowers placed on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Leonard Hall and Sonja Hubbard by Bonnie Hall.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

John & Scarlotte Holmes
Frank & Gloria Johnston
Family of Wayne Nixon
John Durr
John Durr



ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Plan now to join us in our two Worship Services</u> on December 24, Christmas Eve...

What a special year when Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday! We'll gather to worship in the morning for our Christmas Eve Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m. (There will NOT be an 8 a.m. worship service) and in the evening at 5 p.m. as we celebrate our Savior's birth through our Annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Worship. Both services will be in the Sanctuary.

Wishing our Church Family a most wonderful Christmas! May you have the excitement of a little child anticipating Christmas morning! **Merry Christmas!**

With a new year comes a new opportunity

to eternally impact and invest in the lives of our church family's children and youth! Talk to or email Ashley, the children's minister (ahsmith I 303@icloud.com), and/or Jamie, the student minister (Jamie@firstwetumpka.com), to make a difference.



<u>From the Altar Guild</u>: The 2024 Altar Flower Calendar is now available. Check with the church office for available dates on a first-come, first-served basis. Thank you for providing beautiful flowers each week.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- If you have changed any of your contact information please let the church office know asap.
- There will not be any Wednesday Activities until after the holidays.

^{*}Please stand as you are able.