Announcements:

Please use the Advent envelopes for your Advent Offering during December.

- Today Church Conference after worship to elect Annual Conference Delegate & Electoral College Delegate
- Thursday Dec. 20th Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal at 6pm
- Friday Dec. 21st Team Midwest Outing with Santa at Bethel AMEC KCMO6-8pm
- Saturday Dec. 22nd Team Midwest Outing with Santa at First AMEC KCK 12-2pm
- Sunday Dec. 23rd Christmas Program after Morning Worship

Please remember to bring socks and place them in the Christmas stockings as our Winter Outreach Project.

Bible Trivia Questions for December 18, 2018:

- 1) Who thad a vision of the hills filled with horses and chariots of fire?
- 2) What kind of tree did Zacchaeus climb in order to see Jesus?

Answers to Bible Trivia Questions for December 11, 2018:

1) Abraham (Genesis 22:1-3) 2) Vine of Sodom (Deuteronomy 32:32) Sunday School Topic & Scripture for December 23, 2018:

Jesus: God's Loving Promise Luke 1:26-31; 2:21-35

Please add \$5 weekly to your offering envelope for conference claims to help offset the Midyear and Annual Conference Assessments.

Please remember to pray for...

Our Sick & Shut-In List

Bill & Annette Curtis is at Villages of Jackson Creek Room 102

P.E. Fran Cary, LaVonda Wilson, Ronda Jones, Bill & Annette Curtis, Morris Smith, Marsha Graham, Clarence Copbridge Jr. and Layman Haviland.

Our Prayer List

Mrs. Freddye Smith, Rev. Stanley Counts Sr. Family, Rev. Marshall Smith, Joshua Pettigrew, Jermaine Battle, St. Paul Family, David & Reina Gilman and Maya Gilman.



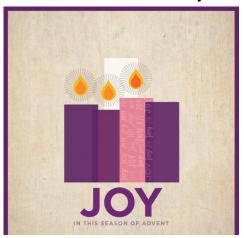
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December 16, 2018 ~ 3rd Sunday of Advent



2018-2019 Theme:

"Moving In Sync With God's Spirit For Maximum Impact"
Acts 8:29-31, 34-35

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The Order of Worship ~ December 16, 2018 11:00am

**Please Stand

***No Walking

Announcements & Welcome of Visitors Christal Shouse Praise & Worship

**Doxology

(Congregation Singing)

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.

**A 3rd Sunday of Advent Call to Worship

Leader: The people cried out for a prophet who would confront us about our stagnation and lack of action outside the church walls.

People: We too cry for a prophet who dares to be heard, speaks truth to power, bows not to false power while proclaiming, come Jesus, come.

Leader: As we prepare for the waiting of Christ, we open our eytes to those young and old who also see new visions and act on them in the midst of racism, sexism, xenophobia, economic injustice and all other injustices.

People: We give thanks for the emergence of these new liberators in and out of our Zion; with them, we proclaim as well, come Jesus, come.

Leader: The prophets of old declare that God's reigndom is at hand and we must be the witnesses of God's power, justice, hope, love, light, and peace. In this season of waiting for the re-revealed Christ, we all must become God's prophets.

All: Stir within us the will, the power, the work, and the resolve to be a light to a dying world.

**Hymn of Praise "Joy to the World" AMEC 120

* * * Morning Prayer

***Scripture Readings

Isaiah 12:2-6 & Philippians 4:4-7

**Summary of the Decalogue

Social Action Moment

Nina Falls

Selection

Advent Celebration

Nancy Harris

Altar Call /Tithes* and Offering

"All things come of Thee, O Lord and of Thine own have we given thee."

Selection

The Message

Pastor Rachel

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship/Decision Time

(Please come to accept Christ, get closer to God, join St Paul, seek baptism and/or receive special prayer)

**Benediction/Doxology

Sermon Notes:

Topic:

Scripture:

Important Themes:

What should I say, do or think now:

^{*} Tithing (giving 10% of one's income) is a Biblical mandate governing one's support of the mission and ministry of the church. It's a faith statement that symbolizes one's commitment to Christ and his church.*