

Church Christmas Dinner
Everyone is Welcome!
TODAY - 5:00 PM



**TREBLE MAKERS CHOIR WILL SING
 IN THE SANCTUARY AFTER DINNER**

Please bring two sides & one Dessert
 We really hope you can join your church family for this special occasion.

CHRISTMAS CANDY IS AVAILABLE!

If you are interested in purchasing some *DELICIOUS* candy, made by our United Methodist Women, please visit the tables of candy located in both Welcome Areas of the church. A special 'Thank you' is extended to all who donated ingredients, gave monetarily and helped make the candy.



HARD CANDY - \$3.00
 PEANUTBUTTER BALLS - \$2.00
 PEPPERMINT BARK - \$3.00

LIVE NATIVITY

Wednesday, Dec. 18th
7:00 pm

FRONT Lawn of the Church
 (Presented by our St. John Youth)



Be reminded of the Joy we have because of Jesus Christ.
 Begin to feel His presence as you meditate on the Reason for the Season!

Pre-School Christmas Program

Dec 19th - 9:30 am
in the Sanctuary
EVERYONE is WELCOME!



ALWAYS A KING | **CHURCH CHRISTMAS CANTATA**
Presentation - December 22nd - 11:00 Service
Invite your friends and family.

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OFFICE HOURS 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM MONDAY - THURSDAY

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

SUNDAY	8:30 A.M.	WORSHIP SERVICE, NURSERY AVAILABLE
	9:45 A.M.	SUNDAY SCHOOL, NURSERY AVAILABLE
	11:00 A.M.	WORSHIP SERVICE, NURSERY AVAILABLE
	5:00 P.M.	CHURCH CHRISTMAS DINNER
	6:30 P.M.	TREBLE MAKERS CHOIR (SANCTUARY)
MONDAY	9:00 & 9:30 AM.	PRESCHOOL
	10:00 A.M.	ACTIVE FOR LIFE (ROOM 110)
	3:30 P.M.	WALKING (GYMNASIUM)
	6:30 P.M.	SCOUTS
TUESDAY	9:00 & 9:30 AM.	PRESCHOOL
	3:30 P.M.	WALKING (GYMNASIUM)
WEDNESDAY	9:00 & 9:30 AM.	PRESCHOOL
	10:00 A.M.	ACTIVE FOR LIFE (ROOM 110)
	3:30 P.M.	WALKING (GYMNASIUM)
	6:00 P.M.	CHOIR REHEARSAL
	6:00 P.M.	BAND REHEARSAL
	6:30 P.M.	GIRL SCOUTS
	7:00 P.M.	LIVE NATIVITY-ST. JOHN YOUTH (FRONT LAWN)
THURSDAY	9:30 AM.	PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM (SANCTUARY)
	10:00 A.M.	ACTIVE FOR LIFE (ROOM 100)
	3:30 P.M.	WALKING (GYMNASIUM)
FRIDAY	7:00 P.M.	NA MEETING (CONFERENCE ROOM)
	8:00 P.M.	AA MEETING (ROOM 250-A)
	8:00 P.M.	AL ANON MEETING (ROOM 200)

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY
 IS TAKING A BREAK UNTIL JANUARY 8th.**

CHRISTMAS EVE
services
 Celebrating Jesus

5:00 p.m.
7:30 p.m.

Please invite your family and freinds to join this beautiful celebration honoring Christ's Birth

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Introducing people to Jesus,
 growing as disciples together.

DECEMBER 15, 2019

8:30 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

“CELTIC CAROL”

PRAISE & PRAYER

“KING OF HEAVEN”

“O COME, O COME EMMANUEL” #211 vs 1, 2 & 6

CALL TO PRAYER

YOU ARE INVITED TO KNEEL AT THE ALTAR RAIL FOR PRAYER

“AWAY IN A MANGER” #217 vs 3

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. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

“LET THE PEOPLE SING JOY”

CHILDREN’S SERMON

THE CHILDREN WILL COLLECT “MILES OF PENNIES” TO SUPPORT CHRISTMAS AT BURLINGTON MINISTRIES

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

“I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF LIGHT” #206 vs 3

SCRIPTURE LESSON AND ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

LUKE 1: 39-56

MESSAGE

“FINDING JOY AT HOME”

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

“WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME”

RESPONSE WITH PRAISE

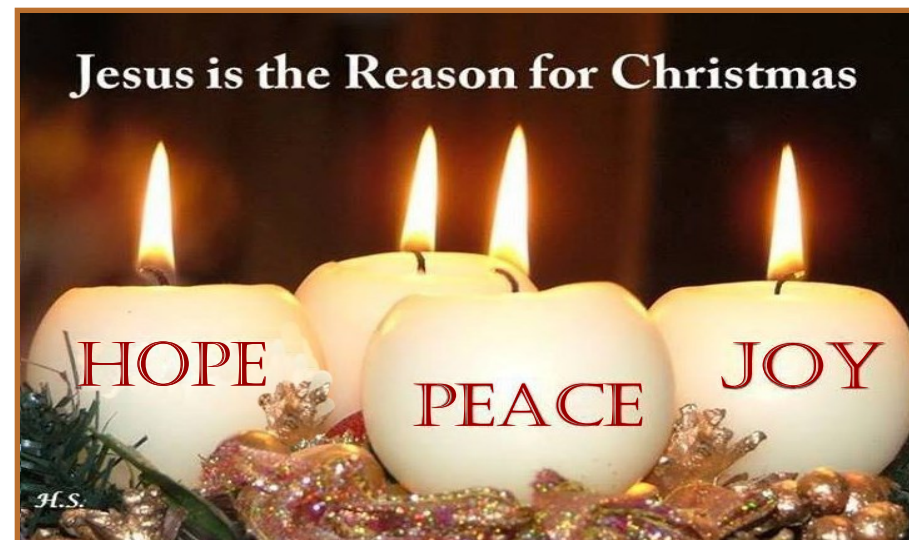
“ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL” #75

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

“JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE” #89 vs 1 & 3

BLESSING



**Sermon Notes
Luke 1:39-56**

“Finding Joy at Home”

I. Hopeful Anticipation

A. The Jewish people longed for God to send a _____ to bring physical and spiritual _____ to God’s people.

B. The _____ to Mary and Elizabeth’s _____ to Mary’s pregnancy was joyful news that God was _____ in human history.

C. Mary’s song of praise invites us to _____ how God might _____ in our world today to bring physical and spiritual _____.

II. Finding Joy Here

A. The Good News is that God continues to _____ in our world today through _____ and _____ ways.

B. As disciples of Christ, we experience joy in our lives because of God’s _____ and _____ action.

C. We continue to experience joy (despite the circumstances of life) in our lives because we have the assurance that God is _____ us and God is _____ us.

III. Jesus Calling

Jesus is calling us to partner with God to advocate for those who are marginalized and participate in their deliverance and healing.



MILES of PENNIES to SUPPORT BURLINGTON MINISTRIES

If you would like to give a gift for children who are a part of this ministry, please put your gift in the offering plate and mark your envelopes accordingly. Remember, it takes \$484.00 to make a mile. Thank you for your gift!

Upcoming Events

- TODAY 5 pm Church Christmas Dinner ♦ 12-22 11:00 Christmas Cantata
- TODAY Treblemakers Children's Choir ♦ 12-24 5 pm Christmas Eve Service (Sanctuary-After Dinner)
- 12-17 1 pm Book Club Rm 210 ♦ 12-24 7:30 pm Christmas Eve Service
- 12-18 Live Nativity (Church lawn)
- 12-19 Pre-School Christmas Program 9:30 am in the Sanctuary

Serving in Worship Today - December 15, 2019		December 22, 2019
Participants		Becky Bostic
Acolytes	11:00	Becky Bostic
Back Door	8:30	J Lanham
	11:00	C McCane
Balcony	11:00	G Black
Front Door	11:00	J ILderton
Liturgists	8:30	R Bielinski
	11:00	C Delph
Nursery Care	8:30	P Kuhl, K Rittenhouse
	11:00	J Bowles, K Bowles
Sanctuary Greeter	8:30	N Lanham
	11:00	S ILderton, A Black
Sound Desk	8:30	G Fisher
	11:00	J Simpkins
Welcome Desk	8:30	S Lanham
	11:00	G McCane

USHERS SERVING MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2019			
8:30	T Owens, S Owens, M Krosky, J Krosky	11:00	B Henry, L Henry, G Black, A Black, R Bostic, JA Bostic, M Delph, C Delph, J Bowles, C Johnson

LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE DECEMBER 8, 2019

S.S – 70 8:30 am – 79 11:00 am – 164

	Weekly Need	Received Dec 8, 2019	Year-to-Date Need	Year-to-Date Received
General Fund for Operations				
Our Journey Continues				

PRAYER CHAIN
IF YOU HAVE AN IMMEDIATE NEED FOR PRAYER, PLEASE CALL OR TEXT PHYLLIS DUVALL AT 304-552-8583.

PRAYER REQUESTS
PRAYER REQUEST LIST CAN BE FOUND AT THE WELCOME DESK. INFORMATION ON THIS LIST IS DERIVED FROM REQUESTS WRITTEN ON YELLOW CARDS.

11:00 SERVICE is LIVE-STREAMED ON FACEBOOK

Be sure to check us out on Facebook at [facebook@sjumcwv](https://www.facebook.com/sjumcwv). Let your family and friends know and SHARE this link from your Facebook account! What a blessing for those who are unable to attend worship.

WELCOME, GUESTS!
Please know how glad we are to have you with us today. If you are looking for a spiritual home, prayerfully consider St. John Church. Here you will find a community of persons committed to encouraging one another in the walk of faith and in growing together. If you are new among us, we invite you to fill out the red pew pad located in each row. You may provide as much information as you wish and then pass the pad on to the person beside you. We are pleased that you are here!
ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SOUND DESK.