

WELCOME

We're so glad you're here for worship today! Below are some details you may find helpful in your first visit:

THE COMMUNICATION CARD is key to allowing us to welcome you fully. Please fill it out and, after worship, drop it by the Welcome Center where you'll find lots of information and a nice gift for every first-time visitor.

THE WORSHIP GUIDE in this folder will lead you through our service. We try to use elements, liturgy, and sacraments from a variety of Christian traditions to help lead people of all ages, stages, and tastes into the presence of God. Worship is participatory, so please join in prayer, word, giving, and song.

NURSERY for children up to 2 years is available for the entire morning in the Pre-school Complex, Building B.

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HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES are available in the foyer.

WHEELCHAIR SEATING is readily available in the center aisle or an usher will be glad to remove a sanctuary chair for your convenience.

PRAYER FOCUS: Let's pray for those in governmental leadership at all levels—that they would have divine wisdom in the decisions they make day by day.

WORLD MISSION FOCUS: Pray for Mike & Vicki Reynen, FM Area Directors for Africa. They travel extensively, speaking, teaching, training and encouraging missionaries and national church leaders.

HOME MISSION FOCUS: Pray for Rex Carpenter, (the chaplain supply ministry of the Free Methodist Church), and all of the chaplains in our denomination. Pray for wisdom to meet the needs of those who come for advice and comfort.

YOUTH MINISTRY FOCUS: Want to know what's going on in youth ministry? Check out the youth bulletin board and youth table in Building C. Calendars and details for upcoming events are available there, as well as opportunities to sign up to host an Afterglow.

NURSERY:

	TODAY/THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
8:30 Worship	G Proctor/K Roberge/LA Roberge S Sweigard	B Branan/D Flanigan/N Riffell J Thompson
Sunday School	A Reifsnnyder/M Swaim	J Cline/T Kidwell/M Zweifel
10:50 Worship	P Diddle/S Hamann/B Underwood C Winter	M Branan/G Stidom/E Walsh S Walsh
6:00 Worship	B Bowers/J Bowers/H Miller	R Branan/M Dargan/A Warnock
Wed. Evening	S Baldwin/L Branan	N Johns/R Zent

The Hanging Of The Greens

A service of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas.
Join in the celebration tonight at 6:00 p.m.

- MUSICAL CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS** December 9! Plan to worship through song next Sunday morning as the adult Christmas Choir and the Heaven's Harmony children's choir present a collection of songs celebrating the anticipation of Advent and the joy of the Christmas season. We will celebrate the "light of hope" that Jesus is to our world.
- PRAYER FOR UNBELIEVERS:** If you have unbelieving family or friends, please join in prayer for them Monday evening, December 3, at the Dargan home, 191 Academy Dr. 7:00 p.m. Prayer is the best gift you can give!
- MOMS WHO PRAY** meets this Thursday, December 6 at 9:30 a.m. If you have a burden to pray for our public schools, administrators, teachers and students, please join us at Annette Diddle's home, 201 Asbury Drive.
- CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY:** Each year at our 6:30 Christmas Eve service, our children present a live nativity scene. This year the display will be in the foyer area. If your child (age 4 - grade 5) would like to participate, sign up at the Welcome Center today, including an e-mail address where you can receive your child's assignment and costume need. Deadline: December 9.
- CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:** Which service do you think you'll attend? It would help us know how best to plan if you would simply write, "5:00," "6:30," or "11:00" on your Communication Card.
- CHRISTMAS NATIVITIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD** are on display in the foyer display case. Come and see these nativities that belong to church members, representing 19 countries.
- IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE IS BATTLING ADDICTION**, join us at Solomon's Porch Mondays at 6:30 p.m. for information about ARROW. An acrostic for Admit, Renew, Restore, Overcome, Worship, ARROW aims to love and lead those battling addiction to freedom in Christ. Questions? Contact Rachel Powdrill.
- THANK YOU TO CHARLIE FISKEAUX** for designing, building and installing the beautiful wood crosses in the Building B stairwell.



WANT TO BEGIN A NEW HOLIDAY FAMILY TRADITION?
Be a bell-ringer for the Salvation Army! Brochures with the details are available at the Welcome Center.

Merry Christmas to our Church Staff

The Finance Team invites you to help honor our church staff of 15 with Christmas gifts. Mark your check "Gifts for Staff" and place in the basket at the Welcome Center. Christmas envelopes are also available there as well. The deadline to participate is next Sunday, December 10.

Sincerely in Christ, - WFMC Finance Team



PRIMETIMERS' DECEMBER POTLUCK LUNCHEON AND CAROL SING
Friday, December 7, 12:00 noon

Arv & Judy Metcalf's home, 20 Veterans Dr.
If you are 60+, you're invited to a potluck Christmas luncheon and old-fashioned carol sing. Meat,

rolls and drinks are provided—you bring your favorite Christmas side dish, salad or dessert. If you'd like to take advantage of the church van to avoid parking at a distance, please be at the church by 11:45 for door to door service. Questions? Contact Bonnie Lashbrook: 859-215-6028.

ALL-CHURCH CAROLING DECEMBER 16

Join us as we visit the elderly of our church and bring them the songs and carols of Christmas. Meet in Building C at 6:00 p.m., join a caroling group, and then car-pool to 5-7 homes.

We then return to Building C and fellowship over hot dogs, chips and hot chocolate.

Please bring a plate of cookies to share!



FREE CHRISTMAS CONCERTS AT ASBURY UNIVERSITY THIS WEEK:
Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.—Christmas Music Chapel (*Concert Band, Women's Choir*), Hughes

Thursday, 11:00 a.m.—Christmas in the Stuce (*Handbell Choir, Jazz Ensemble*), Student Center

Thursday, 7:30 p.m.—Songs of the Season (*Chorale, Men's Glee Club, String Ensemble, Christmas poems/stories*), Jameson Recital Hall



CHURCH SCHEDULE—LOOKING AHEAD THROUGH CHRISTMAS

12/2	First Sunday in Advent, 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Worship Hanging of the Greens 6:00 p.m.
12/9	Second Sunday in Advent Christmas Choir Celebration, 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Worship
12/16	Third Sunday in Advent, 8:30 & 10:50 Worship Christmas Caroling 6:00 p.m.
12/21	Church offices closed through January 1, 2019
12/23	Fourth Sunday in Advent Christmas Worship 9:30 & 10:50 a.m. <i>No Sunday School, Children's Worship, Evening Worship</i>
12/24	Christmas Eve Worship 5:00, 6:30, 11:00 p.m.
12/30	Worship Services 9:30 & 10:50 a.m. <i>No Sunday School, Children's Worship, Evening Worship</i>
1/6/19	Worship Services 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. SS Breakfast Potluck 9:40 a.m. John Wesley Covenant Service, 6:00 p.m.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS—WEEK OF DECEMBER 2, 2018

TODAY

8:00 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer—B106
8:30 a.m. Morning Worship I
 9:40 a.m. Sunday School, Adult and Youth Bible Fellowships
 Connections Class—A200
 Russia Trip—B106
 10:50 a.m. **Morning Worship II**
 3:30 p.m. *Tintinnabulation Handbell Choir* —Asbury University
Allegro Handbell Choir—Sanctuary; *No Chimes of Joy*
 4:45 p.m. *Heaven's Harmony* B100; *Youth Choir*—B101
Christmas Choir—Sanctuary
 5:30 p.m. Pre-Service Prayer—B106
6:00 p.m. Evening worship-Hanging of the Greens
 7:15 p.m. HS & MS Afterglows hosted by Grammels—Building C

MONDAY

10:00 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study @ Metcalf home, 20 Veterans Dr.
 7:00 p.m. Prayer for the Lost @ Dargan, 191 Academy Dr.

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting—A200
 7:15 a.m. Youth Prayer Breakfast—Building C
 8:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting—A200
 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study @ Moore home, 117 Hawthorne Dr, Nich.
 3:00-4:30 p.m. "Huddle Time" Outreach—Building C
 6:15 p.m. *Blessings Handbell Choir*—Sanctuary
 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball—Building C

WEDNESDAY

4:55 p.m. Bible Quizzing—B100s
 6:00 p.m. *Friendship Company*—B101; *Young Musicians*—B100
 6:30 p.m. FMY (Free Methodist Youth)—Building C
 6:30 p.m. CHARIS Young Adult Group—B203
 7:00 p.m. Adult Prayer Meeting—B200/201
 CLC (Christian Life Club) 2 yrs. old - 5th grade
 2 yrs. - K: Building B Preschool Wing
 1st - 5th grade: A100 Wing
 Nursery/Childcare—Building B Preschool Wing
 8:15 p.m. WFMC Board of Administration (BOA)

THURSDAY

9:30 a.m. Moms Who Pray—201 Asbury Drive
 2:00 p.m. Prayer for the Nation—178 Wesley Dr, Wilmore

FRIDAY

12:00 noon PrimeTimers Christmas Potluck @ Metcalfs, 20 Veterans Dr.

SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. Adult Christmas Choir Rehearsals—Sanctuary
 10:30 a.m. Heaven's Harmony Rehearsal—Sanctuary
 10:15 a.m. Diversicare Worship Service
 No Youth Open Gym—begins again in January



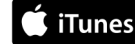
WFMC HAZARDOUS WEATHER PLAN: Schedule changes for church events due to hazardous weather can be found on the front page of the church website, typically one hour prior to service times. Check the News Feed at the bottom of our homepage, or tune in to TV channels 18, 27, and 36.

All Things New
 Revelation 21:1-14

Pastor Daryl



CD'S OF MORNING AND EVENING MESSAGES ARE AVAILABLE.
 Note "Message" and date on a Communication Card at the Welcome Center, and pick up your CD the following Sunday. A donation of \$2.00 is requested to cover costs. Messages may also be freely downloaded at www.wilmorefmc.org



PRAYER SEEKING SALVATION: *Lord Jesus, I know I have sinned against You. I believe that You died for me, and I place my trust in You. Forgive my sins and save me from the judgment to come. Help me to turn from my sin and live a life wholly devoted to You.*

PRAYER SEEKING SANCTIFICATION: *Lord Jesus, I recognize my need for holiness. Purify me of all that is unlike You, fill me with Your Holy Spirit until I am totally Yours, and set me apart for Your purposes from this day forward.*

If you seek or have found salvation or sanctification today, please let a member of the pastoral staff know. We're here to help you on your journey.

WILMORE
 FREE METHODIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 2, 2018
 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
 OFFICE@WFMC.NET WWW.WILMOREFMC.ORG 859.858.3521

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Cheryl Schell

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

God's nature is to give – it's in His DNA, if you will. One way to tell if we are becoming more like Him is to honestly assess our attitude toward giving. No matter what we speak of - be it our time, talents or funds – if we give more and more easily to Christ and to those in need as we age, then we're likely moving in the God-ward direction.

OFFERTORY

Michael W. Smith, *arr.* Bruce Greer

Gloria
Youth Choir

GLORIA PATRI*

Hymnal 622(MEINEKE)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

*Children may now leave for Children's Worship

MESSAGE

Pastor Daryl

All Things New

HOLY COMMUNION

"Whosoever will may come."

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

arr. Raymond Haan

As with Gladness Men of Old (Hymnal 163)

🔊 Help for the hearing impaired is available. See an usher for assistance.

WORSHIP GUIDE

God is so glad you've set aside this time to worship Him. He inhabits the praise of His people. As we gather, please take a moment to ask God to prepare us for worship—to open our ears and minds to His voice and to freely apply His word to our hearts and lives. Please also take a moment now to silence all electronic devices so that the Lord might have opportunity to freely speak to all.

GATHERING

A Christmas Suite

arr. Charles Callahan

- I. *Noel Fanfares* (Hymnal 125, 132)
- II. *An English Carol* (Hymnal 137)
- III. *A Shepherd's Lullaby* (Hymnal 147)
- IV. *A Christmas Rondel* (Hymnal 136, 145)

Welcome to Worship!

If you are visiting with us for the first time and are searching for a church home, please fill out the Communication Card and turn it in at the Welcome Center in the foyer, where you'll receive a nice gift—our way of saying, "We're honored by your visit." Returning guests and regular attendees, please note your attendance and requests on the Communication Card, then place it in the offering plate.

CALL TO WORSHIP

CHRISTMAS CREED

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son,
who came in the beauty of the child at Bethlehem.
I believe in Him whose star glorified the Judean hills,
although there was no room for Him in the inn.
I believe in Him whose cradle was His mother's arms
and whose attendants were the animals of the stable.
I believe in Him who came to save us from sin
and lead us into the peaceable kingdom.
To Him be all glory, both now and forever. Amen.

SONGS OF THE PROMISE OF A MESSIAH

- Hymnal 120
- Hymnal 118
- Hymnal 124

*The Advent of Our God
Of the Father's Love Begotten
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

CALL TO PRAYER

Hymnal 126

A Nativity Prayer

*O holy Child of Bethlehem! Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in; Be born is us today.*

(CCLI Member)

PRAYER

Pastor Dwight