

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Please join us after the service for Hospitality Time in Criswell Hall

Upcoming Events:

- Wed. Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Service, 4:00PM
- Mon. Dec. 29 People's Kitchen Food Prep 1:30, Kitchen
- Tues. Dec. 30 People's Kitchen Food Distribution 11AM carpool from church

BRING THE ANIMALS TO BABY JESUS CHRISTMAS OFFERING

So far 9 Doves, 1 Cat, no Dogs, 2 Donkeys, 1 Sheep and 1 Camel have arrived at the manger. Please support our Christmas offering by bringing more animals to the manger. And we hope someone will bring an Angel or two. In the first week we raised \$815 towards the \$6,500 goal of our Christmas offering.

**HOSPITALITY: Today hosted by Endowment/ELT
December 14th will be hosted by Truste**

ATTENDANCE						
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN- PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	STEWARDSHIP
Nov 16	51	82	133	50	183	\$2,356
Nov 23	52	73	125	26	151	\$5,815
Nov 30	39	75	114	30	144	\$2,495
Dec 07	49	80	129		129	\$11,907
Weekly Needed: \$7,175						
YTD Received: \$150,870			YTD Needed \$164,612			
CHRISTMAS OFFERING \$815			CHRISTMAS BUDGET \$6,500			



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December 14, 2025	6th SUNDAY OF ADVENT	10:30 am
PRELUDE	“The Holly And The Ivy”	Traditional
INTROIT	“All Hail King Jesus”	TFWS #2069

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Beloved, we gather to rejoice in God who does wondrous things, who promises that someday all manner of things shall be well.

We rejoice in the truth of the day that all the earth awaits.

We worship with joy now, confident that God will not stop until all creation is at peace.

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We lift up our voices in song and story, in prayer and praise, as we remember and rejoice in all that God has done and will do among us.

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Come! Let us worship God with joy as we work with God toward the day when all of creation lives in everlasting joy.

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OPENING HYMN*	“ It Came upon a Midnight Clear”	No. 218
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

Holy God of Joy, We rejoice in the reality of who you are. We live within the joy of your love for us. Our contentment comes and goes. Our happiness ebbs and flows. Our feelings depend upon our circumstances, our physical health, our brain chemistry. But our joy is deeply rooted in our identity as your beloved children. And we give you thanks. Amen.

ADVENT CANDLES AND THE COLLECT:

Advent VI: Dayspring from on High

Advent Son: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (Dayspring verse)

O come, Thou Dayspring come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Morning Star, Lord Christ.

Hear us, we pray.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MOMENT

Rev. Wesley Thompson

We invite all children and youth to participate in this intergenerational time of learning about Jesus

O God, we thank you for blessing us with the gift of children.

May they learn the stories of Jesus. May we share their joy. Amen.

A TIME OF PRAYER

Call to Prayer

“Jesus, Name above All Names”

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Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Response

“Jesus, Name above All Names”

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SCRIPTURE

Matthew 11:2-11

SERMON

Are you the One?

OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission

Offertory

Doxology/Prayer of Dedication*

“Coventry Carol”

16th Century Carol

CLOSING HYMN*

“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

No. 224

Neufeld

BENEDICTION*

Advent people, may we go now in the blessing of God’s joy, confident that the day we await is close at hand and ready to cooperate with God in building the kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

RESPONSE*

“All Hail King Jesus”

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POSTLUDE

“Masters In This Hall ”

Traditional English Carol

***Please stand as able**

Bold - Congregational Reading

Matthew 11:2-11

2 When John the Baptist heard in prison about the things that Christ was doing, he sent some of his disciples to him. **3** “Tell us,” they asked Jesus, “are you the one John said was going to come, or should we expect someone else?” **4** Jesus answered, “Go back and tell John what you are hearing and seeing: **5** the blind can see, the lame can walk, those who suffer from dreaded skin diseases are made clean, the deaf hear, the dead are brought back to life, and the Good News is preached to the poor. **6** How happy are those who have no doubts about me!” **7** While John's disciples were leaving, Jesus spoke about him to the crowds: “When you went out to John in the desert, what did you expect to see? A blade of grass bending in the wind? **8** What did you go out to see? A man dressed up in fancy clothes? People who dress like that live in palaces! **9** Tell me, what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes indeed, but you saw much more than a prophet. **10** For John is the one of whom the scripture says: ‘God said, I will send my messenger ahead of you to open the way for you.’ **11** I assure you that John the Baptist is greater than anyone who has ever lived. But the one who is least in the Kingdom of heaven is greater than John.

Assisting in today's service Pastor: Rev. Wesley Thompson,

Liturgist: Judy Leonard, **Piano/Keyboard:** Dennis Eiler, **Organ:** Brad Bettencourt, **Choir**

Director: Tricia Stewart, **Sound Tech:** Adrian Paredes, **Video Tech:** Susan Thronson,

Today’s Flowers In Honor Of

Cyndee Rohla

Happy Birthday

From Christina Cuddy