

## PASTOR & STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT

If you are giving a gift through the church for tax credit, please indicate on your check Staff Christmas Gift and place it in the offering plate by December 18. Remember if you give directly to the individual staff, they are able to keep 100 % of the gift. **LUMC Staff:** Rev. Daniel Randall - Pastor, Blake Riley - Choir/Pianist, Joyce Ellison - Children, Jennifer Kennedy - Youth, Tay Randall - Secretary, Edi Langlois - Treasurer & Katie Mines - Nursery. Thank you for your support of our staff! Steve Duckworth, SPRC Chairman

**CHOIR CANTATA DECEMBER 18 8:00 & 10:00 AM**

**CAROLING TO HOMEBOUND DECEMBER 19 1:00 - 4:00 PM**

We will depart from the church at 1:00 PM.

## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT

**COMMUNION SERVICE DECEMBER 24 5:00 PM**

Our Christmas Eve offering will go to our local Bright Bridge mission. Write checks to LUMC for Bright Bridge.

## CHRISTMAS DAY & NEW YEAR'S DAY

**ONE COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE at 9:00 AM**

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 12/25/22 OR 1/1/23**

## UMC CHILDREN'S HOME CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Please consider giving to our Annual Children's Home Christmas Offering. Write checks to LUMC for Embrace AL/FL Kids.

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED DECEMBER 21 - JANUARY 2**

**THE GOSPEL OF JOHN BIBLE STUDY WILL NOT MEET  
DECEMBER 21, 28 & JANUARY 4**

## YEAR-END GIVING & YEAR-END STATEMENTS FOR 2022

Contributions to be credited for 2022, must be received or postmarked by December 31, 2022. To request a 2022 year-end giving statement, email treasurer, Edi Langlois at [lillianumc\\_treasurer@outlook.com](mailto:lillianumc_treasurer@outlook.com) or call the church office 251-962-4336 by January 8, 2023.

## ATTENTION UNITED METHODIST MEN

The December 5 minutes, treasurer's report and distribution of funds are posted on the bulletin board in the Education Building foyer.

## A SLICE OF HEAVEN CHURCH COOKBOOKS

*A Slice of Heaven* cookbooks are available for \$15.00. Contact Betty Erwin (850-776-7125) or the church office (251-962-4336) to purchase a cookbook.

**WEDNESDAY YOUTH SUPPER 5:00 PM HELP NEEDED**

If you can provide supper, contact Jennifer Kennedy (850-221-3137).

# LILLIAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

REACHING OUT WITH GOD'S LOVE

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Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM



THIRD SUNDAY  
OF  
*Advent*

**TO VIEW LIVE at 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM or LATER**

Go to [LillianUMC.org](http://LillianUMC.org), and click on Worship.

**TO RECEIVE WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES  
& TO PLACE SOMEONE ON THE PRAYER LIST**  
Email or text the pastor.

**December 11, 2022**

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## ADVENT CALL TO WORSHIP

## CHRIST OUR JOY

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:10-11

ALL: The third candle of the Advent wreath is a symbol to us of Christ our Eternal Joy!

\* HYMN #234

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

\* HYMN #881

The Apostles Creed

\* SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 35:1-10

The desert and the parched land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom. Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom; it will rejoice greatly and shout for joy. The glory of Lebanon will be given to it, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon; they will see the glory of the Lord, the splendor of our God. Strengthen the feeble hands, steady the knees that give way; say to those with fearful hearts, "Be strong, do not fear; your God will come, He will come with vengeance; with divine retribution he will come to save you." Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert. The burning sand will become a pool, the thirsty ground bubbling springs. In the haunts where jackals once lay, grass and reeds and papyrus will grow. And a highway will be there; it will be called the Way of Holiness. The unclean will not journey on it; it will be for those who walk in that Way; wicked fools will not go about on it. No lion will be there, nor will any ferocious beast get up on it; they will not be found there. But only the redeemed will walk there, and the ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads. Gladness and joy will overtake them, and sorrow and sighing will flee away.

## SPECIAL MUSIC

HYMN #229

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

## PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

SERMON

Jesus Brings Joy

\* HYMN #219

“What Child is This”

\* PRAYER HYMN #201

“Advent”

\* BENEDICTION

“Emanuel, Emanuel”

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel. God with us, revealed in us, His name is called Emmanuel.

\* Please Stand, If Able.

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to Lillian UMC! We pray that you feel the love of Christ as you worship today. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Pastor Daniel Randall 251-234-1122 or DanielWRandall@gmail.com. Help us get to know you by completing a Welcome card located in the pews and give it to the pastor before exiting. Thank you for being with us today!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

13 Alan Garrone  
17 Joanne Kish  
18 Visna Ork

13 Dan Granger Randall  
17 Tina Frye

14 Dodd Bouchillon  
17 Eleanor Stewart

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

15 Pat & Billy Bonner

18 Judy & Bob Bailey

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:00 AM **Worship** 9:00 AM **Sunday School**  
10:00 AM **Worship with Children's Church & Nursery**  
for Children Birth to 2nd Grade  
3:00 PM **Trustees Meeting** in the Fellowship Hall  
4:00 PM **Christmas Singspiration in Sanctuary**  
**Followed by Church Potluck Christmas Supper**  
Please bring an entrée, side dish or dessert that serves 8.

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

7:00 AM **Men's Prayer** 7:00 PM **ALANON**

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

9:00 AM **Gospel of John Bible Study**  
5 - 7 PM **Youth Supper & Fellowship**  
5:30 PM **Choir Practice**

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

10:30 AM **Carpool from the Church for Lunch Bunch**  
11:00 AM **Lunch Bunch at The Gift Horse Restaurant in Foley, AL**  
Please call Char Kuhn 251-231-8316 by December 12.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

9:00 AM **Optimist Breakfast with Santa** at the Lillian Community Club or children birth to 12 years old and their families

## CHRISTMAS POST OFFICE

For your convenience there is a table in the entrance of the fellowship hall where you may drop off and pick up Christmas greeting cards for/from your church family. Please deliver or mail your cards to members who are homebound. If you need a homebound address list, see Tay in the church office. The Post Office will be open through January 1, 2023.