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| **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE**  **“Hanging of the Greens Celebration”**  November 26, 2023 |

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| Liturgist: Linda Turner | Organist: Pam Wilson |
| Greeters: Connie Madison & Dale Dixon | Acolyte: Nancy Henry |

**Chiming of the Hour: Pam Wilson**

**Prelude: “O Come O Come Emmanuel” – Lani Smith**

**Lighting of the Christ Candles:**

**Welcome & Announcements: Linda Turner**

**Litany of Greens**

L: How can we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, the King?

**P: With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.**

L: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, the eternal Christ?

**P: With garlands of wreaths of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, evergreen.**

L: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, our savior?

**P: With arrangements of holly and ivy, symbolizing His passion, death and resurrection.**

L: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of Jesus, the Son of God?

**P: By hearing again the words of the prophets who foretold the saving work of God.**

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|  | **OUR PRAYERS** |  |
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**OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS**

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Kim Davis, Jean Miller, Mary Hicks, Mary Ann and Clyde Howard, Evelyn Steele, Geneva Olgers, Phyllis and Sara Nelson, Regina Humphrey, John Brockman, Becky Torrence, Dot Gay, Gene Russell, and ML Yuhas.

**KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS**

* Our church as we are going through a time of discernment.
* Our Weekday School – Margo Keeles (Director), our teachers, students and families.
* Our community of Varina and all the residents, our churches in our neighborhoods, our schools, students, teachers, administrators and all employees.
* Our state of Virginia, our residents and leaders.
* The United States of America, our citizens and leaders, the countries of the world, their people and leaders. May God bless us all and His will be done. Come, Jesus, come!
* The citizens and leaders of Ukraine, for their safety and for the end of the war.



L: For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

**P: All Glory to God in the highest!**

**Joys and Concerns: Linda Turner**

**Silent Prayer &Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer: Rev. John Bright**

**Collection of Tithes and Offerings -**

**\*Doxology – “My Tribute” (UMH 99)**

**\*Offertory Prayer – Rev. John Bright**

**\*Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed (UMH 881)**

**PARAMENTS: Billy & Judy Walker**

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 11:10,12

Narrative

Hymn – “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” (UMH 196, 1&2)

**EXPLANATION OF THE SERVICE**

**▣ Advent Wreath: Barbara Wendel & Pam Johnson**

Candle-lighting – HOPE

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Narrative

Invitation to Decorate the Chrismon Tree

Hymn – “O Come, All Ye Faithful” (UMH 234 / vs.1)

**▣ Holly and Ivy: Jenny Nelson and Barbara Austin**

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 53:3a, 4a, 5-6

Narrative

Invitation to Decorate the Chrismon Tree

Carol – “The Holly and The Ivy” (1&3)

**▣ Poinsettia: Joanne Corley and Ann Ragland**

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:10-12

Narrative

Invitation to Decorate the Chrismon Tree

Hymn – “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” (UMH 211 / 1&4)

**▣ Manger: Kathie and Buddy Whitlow**

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:6-7

Narrative

Invitation to Decorate the Chrismon Tree

Hymn – “Away in a Manger” (UMH 217 / 1&3)

**▣ Evergreen Tree: Gail Dagenhart & Linda Turner**

Scripture Reading: Micah 5:2, 4

Narrative

Invitation to Decorate the Chrismon Tree

Carol – “O Christmas Tree” (1&2, Insert)

**▣ Tree Lighting: Lois and Kirby Miller**

Scripture Reading: John 1: 1-5, 9-14

Narrative

Hymn – “Joy to the World” (UMH 246 / all verses)

**Hymn of Commitment –** **“O Come All Ye Faithful” (UMH 234)**

**Benediction: Rev. John Bright**

**Postlude: “Procession of the Magi” – George Blake**

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|  | **REGULAR SCHEDULE** |  |
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| * **Sunday School at 10:00 A.M. (Genesis, Amen and Friendship Classes)** * **In Person/Live Streaming on Facebook Sunday Worship – 11:00 A.M.** * **Wednesday Prayer Meeting with Holy Communion – 9:00 A.M.** * **Wednesday Handbell Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 P.M.** * **Wednesday Chancel Choir Rehearsal -- 7:45 P.M.** | | | |

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|  | | | **HOUSE CHURCHES** | |  | |
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| **New Life** – Barbara and Rev. Tom Austin, Shepherds  (Meets Monday @ 10:30 A.M. @) the Turner’s home) 804-303-4828  **Praise the Lord (PTL) –** Peggy and Doug Singlemann, Shepherds  (Meets Thursday @ 7 P.M. @ Bud Funk’s home) 804-543-2327  **Thankful Hearts** – Pam and Rev. Ed Johnson & Lois and Kirby Miller, Shepherd (Meets Friday @ 10 A.M. @ Amen Class Room) 804-737-7450 | | | | | | |
|  | | **WEEKDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM** | | | |  |
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| **Margo Keeles, Director** | | | | | | |
| Mon.-Fri. | 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M | | | ••••• Before and After Preschool Care (Ages 2-4) | | |
| Mon./Wed. | 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon | | | •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••• Preschool (Age 2) | | |
| Mon./Wed./Fri. | 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon | | | •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••• Preschool (Age 3) | | |
| M/Tu./Th./Fri. | 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon | | | •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••• Preschool (Age 4) | | |
| Mon.-Fri. | 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M | | | •••••••••••••••••••••••• School Age (K-12 Years) | | |
| Mon.-Fri. | 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M | | | •••••••••••••••••• Summer Program (Ages 2-12) | | |



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|  | **OUR SERVANTS** | |  |
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| Pastor: Rev. John Bright | | Secretary: Barbara Wendel | |
| Music Director / Organist: Pam Wilson  School Director: Margo Keeles | | Custodians: Kathy & Robert Charles | |
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