

Reynolds United Methodist Church**December 10, 2017 – Second Sunday of Advent****Gathering****Greeting****The All Church Memory Verse of the Month:** Hebrews 13:2 (NIV)

Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. Hebrews 13:2

Lighting of the Advent Candle(s) (Spoken and Sung)
The Roop Family

Reader 1: O God, we light the second candle of Advent.

(With the first candle already burning, a family member lights the second candle.)

Reader 2: We seek the comfort of your peace. Both mighty and tender, you come. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you.

Reader 1: Isaiah announced God's coming to a people exiled in a broken and parched wilderness. He declared that God's redemption would make a highway in the desert and change the rough places into plain. He promised that God would come - as a shepherd - feeding, leading, and cradling the weary flock. This Advent, we seek such a God.

All: Saving God, look upon your world and heal your land and your people. Prepare us to be changed. This Advent, teach us to be tender and just, even as you are. Amen.

People sing (to the tune of "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus")

*Shine on us, O God of justice;
Guide our path through gloom of night;
Bear within us Wisdom's glory;
Come to us, O Christ the Light.*

Voices In Praise

"What Child is This"
"It Came Upon The Midnight Clear"
(UMH 219)
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Proclaiming God's Word
Children's Program:
Scripture Lesson:
Message

"Just a Little Christmas"
Isaiah 40:1-11
"Comfort & Peace"

Reynolds Kids
Justin Rueff
Pastor Seamus

Responding to The Word**Intercessory Prayer****Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Offertry

Special Music

Greta Horner

Singing of Our Doxology (UMH 95)**Dedication of the Offering****Sending Forth (Going into the world/into the week)****Announcements**

(See Bulletin, below)

Sending Song:**"People Look East"**

(UMH 202)

CHURCH CALENDAR**Monday, December 11** – Annual Charge Conference, 7 pm.**Wednesday, December 13** – Wednesday Morning Bible Study, Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11.**ANNOUNCEMENTS****Our Mission focus for December is H.O.P.E. of Rochelle**

We are currently collecting coats for children for H.O.P.E. of Rochelle and PADS Homeless shelter towards this project!

Our Harvest Festival goal was \$4500 to provide for the purchase and installation of a backup generator for the church and we have met our goal! Many thanks to all who donated towards this project!

Hi Reynolds Church: We are planning a surprise birthday card celebration for Rev Wayne Glabe. He will be turning 90 on December 28th. We would love for Reynolds Church to participate. Please send all cards to his daughter, Mary Tack 212 Nandina Ct. Fayetteville, NC 28311 by December 19th. Any questions, contact Mary at (309) 533-2768 Thank you so much.

Also, we are in Haiti Dec 6-24th. Appreciate your prayers. Gary & LeAnne Glabe

To submit items for the newsletter, please email **Kathy Clark**; kathleenacark@comcast.net

Serving this Sunday, December 10

Ushers for December: Karen Yocum, Judy Light, Susie Miller, Shannon Brown

Greeters: Vernon & Nancy Gittleson

Liturgist: Justin Rueff

Youth Moment: Children's Program

Communion Steward November: Kathy Becker

Church Hostess for November: Contact Judy Light

Coffee Fellowship Time: Brown family

Snow Removal: As Needed

Serving next Sunday, December 17

Ushers for December: Karen Yocum, Judy Light, Susie Miller, Shannon Brown

Greeters: Keith & Audrey Roop

Liturgist: Bob Logan

Youth Moment: Cindy Knight

Communion Steward November: Kathy Becker

Church Hostess for November: Contact Judy Light

Coffee Fellowship Time: Volunteer needed

Snow Removal: As Needed

Last week's Offering:

Church Fund	2,217.00
Cookbooks	35.00
Chili Supper	224.00
Harvest Festival	150.00
Glasses	100.00

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