**STONY HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**Pastor: Kaye Fry Ministers: The Whole Congregation**

**December 1, 2019 First Sunday of Advent**

Prelude and Lighting of the Candles

Welcome, Announcements and Passing of the Pew Pads

Christian Greeting: L: The Lord be with you! **P: And also with You!**

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Hymn of Praise 213 *Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates*

The Mission of Stony Hill United Methodist Church is to: **FOLLOW JESUS, MAKE DISCIPLES, AND TRANSFORM THE WORLD.**

Lighting the Advent Wreath

8:45: Joe Ingram 10:45: Brandon Smith

L: Isaiah 60.2-3: **“**For darkness shall cover earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.”

**P: We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope. May the light sent from God shine in the darkness to show us the way of salvation.**

**O Come, O Come, Emmanuel!**

The Significance of Bells

The Significance of the Star

\*Hymn 211 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

The Significance of Candles

**Stewardship Scripture: LUKE 12.48b:** “From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.”

Worship with Our Tithes & Offerings

\*Doxology 95 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 9.6-7

The Significance of the Advent Wreath

\*Hymn: 196 *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Scripture: Luke 2.1-7

The Significance of the Holly and the Ivy

\*Hymn *The Holly and the Ivy* (insert)

Scripture: Luke 2.8-17

Scripture: Matthew 2.7-11

\*Hymn 239 *Silent Night* (stanzas 1 & 4)

The Significance of Poinsettias

Scripture: John 1.9-14

The Significance of the Chrismon Tree

\*Hymn: *O Christmas Tree* (insert)

The Significance of the Angel, Christ in the Manger, the Descending Dove, the Fish, the Shepherd’s Staff, the Resurrection Cross, The Tau Cross, the Celtic Cross

The Significance of Christ in our Lives

The Unity Prayer

\*Hymn 234 *O Come All Ye Faithful*

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction 204 *Emmanuel*

**Today, December 1, 2019**

Greeters: 10:45 Dave & Kappa Eash Sound: Richard Wood

Ushers: 10:45 Dave & Kappa Eash Projection:

Piano: Sid Fields Organ: Pat Speight

Counters: Lorraine Fesperman, Pat Speight

Acolytes: 10:45 Addison Burleson, Caitlyn Thompson Assisted by Marcie

Lemons

**Next Sunday, December 8, 2019**

Greeters: 10:45 Tom & Lorraine Fesperman Sound: Rick Stamper

Ushers: 10:45 Tom Fesperman, David Putnam Projection:

Piano: Sid Fields Organ: Pat Speight

Counters: Sid Fields, Cecil Almond

Acolytes: 10:45 Bethany Thompson, Reece Lee Assisted by: Marcie Lemons

\*\*\* *Special Welcome to our Guests!* There is a place for you at Stony Hill! Please register on the fellowship pads on the inside aisle of each pew\*\*\*

**Every Week at Stony Hill**

**Food Collection for December**: Boxed pasta meals (hamburger helper) instant potatoes, and stuffing mix.

If you need to reach Pastor Kaye, please call or text her cell at 336-596-3667. You may also call the parsonage number 704-982-2605. Pastor Kaye’s email address is [kfry@wnccumc.net](mailto:kfry@wnccumc.net). If you Facebook, send her a request.

**“The Connection”** Sundays: 8:45am: Worship Service with Modern worship music and traditional hymns. 9:45 am: Sunday School for all ages **“Traditions”** 10:45am: Worship Service with traditional hymns and the Stony Hill Choir.

**Youth Group Meetings** are every 1st and 3rd Sunday from 5 to 6 pm.

**Check out** our church website: www.stonyhillunc.org, like us on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter! Check them for upcoming worship experiences and church activities!

**Prayer Concerns:** Our State and Nation, Community Schools, David Mills, Ophelia Riggins, Ophelia Blalock, Edith Matheney, Elaine Crawley, Bryan Booth, Bryan Starnes, Sid Fields, Carolyn Terry, Kenneth Stoker, Scotty Wilson, Cameron Burleson, Corey Morgan, Tump Mills, Eliza Bray, Kay Bowers, Tracy Bowers, Rev. Lori Anne Bowen, Jared Morton, Jacob Kime, Holden Rimmer, The family of Charlie Parsons, Bill Scholl, Bert Hale, Henry Springer, Family of Peggy Hill, Larry Kirk, Rev. Ed Armfield, Rev. Karl Zorowski.

**Shut-ins:** Mary Ellen Aldridge, Ron & Loretta Allred, Gene Helms,

Gene Watkins, Zelma Johnson, Carolyn Terry

**\*\*\*If you have a prayer concern that you would like added or deleted from the list, please call or email Pastor at the parsonage or church office.**

**Announcements**

**Sunday, Dec. 1**, Hanging of the Greens

**Sunday, Dec. 1, at 6pm**: church wide covered dish dinner sponsored by the United Methodist Women

**Friday, Dec. 13, at 5 pm** Christmas party at Badin Inn

**Sunday, Dec. 15**: Children's Christmas program

**Tuesday, Dec. 24** **at 7pm**: Christmas Eve and Candlelight Service

**Monday, Dec. 30 at 6pm**, Soul Food at Grace Place (formerly Tabernacle UM Church). Helpers should be there by 5:15.

**Singing Americans Christmas Concerts**: Dec. 1 at 4pm Grace Baptist Ch., Dec. 8 at 6pm Pleasant Grove Baptist Ch., Dec. 15 at 4pm Badin Baptist Ch.