

Perry Hall United Methodist Church

November 30, 2025

1st Sunday of Advent

(**Stand as you are able)

WELCOME – RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ Please sign the Ritual of Friendship and pass down the row. When everyone has signed, please pass it back to the center, noting those in your row that you may not know. Be sure to greet them after the service! ~

ORGAN PRELUDE “Behold, A Rose Breaks Into Bloom” J. Brahms

CHORAL INTROIT “Psalm 122” James Montgomery

****OPENING HYMN** “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” pg. 196 UMH

** CALL TO WORSHIP

L: You know what time it is,

P: how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.

L: For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers;

P: the night is far gone, the day is near.

L: Let us then lay aside the works of darkness

P: and put on the armor of light.

OPENING PRAYER

Eternal God, in your providence you made all ages a preparation for the kingdom of your Son. Make ready our hearts for the brightness of your glory and the fullness of your blessing in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DECORATING AND BLESSING OF THE CHRISMON TREE

Holy Lord, we come with joy to celebrate the birth of your Son, who rescued us from the darkness of sin by making the cross a tree of life and light. May this tree, arrayed in splendor, remind us of the life-giving cross of Christ, that we may always rejoice in the new life that shines in our hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH, the candle of HOPE.

Advent Reading and lighting of first candle

Congregational Response: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, that God may teach us the ways of peace.

All sing: “Light the Advent Candle”, verse 1 pg. 2090, TFWS

CHILDREN’S STORY

****PRAISE SONGS** “O Come, O Come Emmanuel/Lord I Lift Your Name On High”
“O Sing a Song of Bethlehem”

“Todo la Tierra”

“Emmanuel”

OUR SHARED MINISTRY

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC “Willie, Take Your Drum (Pat-a-pan)” French
Quartet - Denise Boyd, Faith Kalendek, Rob Zell, Dan Kalendek

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 2: 1-5 pgs. 631-632 – **The Old Testament**

THE MESSAGE “In Days To Come” **Pastor Margery Schmmel**

****CLOSING HYMN** “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” pg. 203 UMH

**BENEDICTION

****SENDING FORTH** “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

ORGAN POSTLUDE “Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying” J.S. Bach



Acolyte – Sophia Van Hook

Children’s Story – Denise Boyd

MESSAGE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

“Prepare” – Scripture: Matthew 3: 1-12

OUR PRAYER LIST

Danny Benner, those suffering with cancer, debilitating illnesses and addictions, those in war-torn countries, those affected by senseless acts of violence and terrorism, those dealing with loss of loved ones, and those needing ongoing prayer.

CHURCH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Coffee Hour after service
Monday	
Tuesday	Advent Bible Study 11 am Scouts 6-7 pm
Wednesday	Choir and Band Rehearsal 7 pm
Thursday	W.I.S.H Luncheon 1 pm - Outback
Friday	KC Dance 5:30-8:30 pm
Saturday	Thrift Shop 9 am-12 pm Drive-thru Spaghetti 4-6 pm

The W.I.S.H Group will meet at Outback on Thursday, December 4th, at 1:00 pm for their Christmas Luncheon.

CHRISTMAS TEA will be held on Sunday, December 7th after church. Join us for delicious refreshments as the **Family Ministries group leads us in cookie decorating!** We are looking for donations for the Christmas Tea. If you can supply some treats for us, please contact Denise at 443-787-8687.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA is coming up quickly! For **TICKETS**, go to:

[Perry Hall United Methodist Church: TICKETS - Breakfast with Santa!](#)

To sign up to help at the breakfast, go to:

[Perry Hall United Methodist Church: HELP NEEDED - Breakfast with Santa!](#)

LOOKING FOR LITURGISTS! If anyone is interested in reading the scripture on occasional Sundays, please contact Peggy Whiting at 443-257-2874.

UMCOR: When aid is cut, hope can still shine. Giving Tuesday is December 2nd. See the QR Code on the bulletin board to help those in need!

FA LA LA LA LA! Come join the Missions Group as we spread Christmas Cheer as we go **Christmas caroling** at Brightview in Perry Hall and Rossville on Sunday, December 21st. Flyers are in the narthex. 11:30 am & 1:30 pm.

Looking Ahead:

Saturday, 12/6 – Drive-thru Spaghetti Dinner, 4-6 pm

Sunday, 12/7 – Christmas Tea, after church service

Saturday, 12/13 – Breakfast with Santa 9:30 am

Saturday, 12/13 – Holiday Basket Distribution

Saturday, 12/13 – Folk Music Night

Tuesday, 12/16 – Blue Christmas Service 7 pm

Sunday, 12/21 – Chorale Concert 3 pm

Christmas Caroling – 11:30 am & 1:30 pm

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PHUMC Mission Statement

We are a Christ centered community compelled by God to share God's unconditional love with everyone, outwardly focused and growing in faith.

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