

The Lord's Day

December 10, 2023

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Call to Worship: Patsy Nicholson

Welcome/Announcements: Pastor Jordan Wright

Invocation: Pastor Jordan Wright

Worship: "Angels We Have Heard on High" #278

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Danny Janes

Special Music: Family Christmas Ensemble

Sermon: Pastor Danny Janes

"Talk Isn't Cheap"

Scripture: Colossians 4:2-18

Closing Prayer: Pastor Danny Janes

Prayer Requests

Gary Albert, Frances Caldwell, Lynn Durham, Nancy Friddle, Cindy Greeson, Jean Holland, Sophie Holland, Angela Holt, Darlene Jackson, David James, Julie McCormick, Kevin Middleton, Tana Mills, Donnie Overman, Linda Overman, Jerry Paschal, Tara Paschal, Gary Pruitt, Mike Rash, Jim Rathwell, Barbara Sebastian, Edd Sebastian, Carla Sharpe, Jill Strader, Shirley Valentine, Peace in Israel

TANGLEWOOD LIGHTS: As a **THANK YOU**



for all your recent support, the Liberty Wesleyan Men would like to sponsor a **FREE** night to Tanglewood Park, in Winston

Salem, on **Tuesday, December 12**. The bus will be leaving the church parking lot at **5:30 p.m.**

Admission cost and transportation will be covered by the Wesleyan Men. **SEATING IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 20 WHO SIGN-UP ON THE SHEET AT THE WELCOME CENTER COUNTER IN THE FOYER.** We will only be making one trip on this evening. God bless - and Merry Christmas!

YOUNG AT HEART CHRISTMAS



LUNCHEON: On Wednesday, December 13, the Young at Heart will be going to Mayflower in

Reidsville for their Christmas party. Sign-up sheets are in the front and back entryways. We will be leaving the church at **11:00 a.m.** And don't forget your (\$10) gift for the Secret Santa Round Robin gift exchange.

WESLEYAN WOMEN: All ladies are invited to join us **Thursday, December 14** at

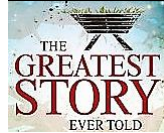


6:30 p.m. for our December monthly Wesleyan Women's meeting. We

will be enjoying a Christmas meal and enjoy fellowship as several of our own ladies share the Christmas spirit with us through music.

Reminder: This is the meal to be festive and decorate your tables in holiday themes beginning Wednesday evening after 8 p.m. or Thursday.

CHOIR CHRISTMAS CANTATA:



Join us next **Sunday, December 17, 10:00 a.m.** as the Liberty Wesleyan Choir presents "*The Greatest Story Ever Told*".

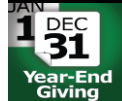
CHRISTMAS OFFERING: Our annual



"March to the Manger" offering will be received on **Sunday, December 17**. If

your holiday family or travel plans will cause you to be gone that Sunday, we welcome your gifts anytime during the month of December. Just designate your gift "**Christmas Offering**" or "**March to the Manger**" on a pew envelope or memo line of your check. You may also designate your Christmas Offering by giving online through **Givelify**. Thank you!

YEAR-END GIVING: For tax purposes, many



people like to designate the church in their year-end giving. To assist our treasurer in closing out the church

books, contributions for **2023** should be received by **Sunday, December 24**. Thank you for your faithful stewardship.

IN AS MUCH FUND DINNER & AUCTION:



Last Saturday evening, we had over 60 people at our **“In As Much Fund”** Christmas Dinner & Auction. By

the close of the evening, we had received/raised \$1,440 in donations, and \$2,765 in auction proceeds – for a **TOTAL of \$4,205**. Thank you to everyone who attended, cooked, dined, contributed auction items, bid - and enjoyed a wonderful evening of fellowship! This fund is a tremendous help to those facing times of crisis throughout the year! God bless you all!



HANGING OF THE GREEN SERVICE:



Last Sunday, we were blessed to start our Christmas/Advent



season with our annual Hanging of



the Green Service.

Thank you **Rosemary Kenchel** for your dedication to recruiting and putting it all together again this year.

Thank you, also,



to all the men, women, youth, and children who participated in this beautiful worship experience! God bless you - and Merry **CHRISTmas!**



NEW BIBLE STUDY: The books of **1 & 2**



Peter reveal principles for living triumphantly when life tries to get us down through a health issue, a financial crisis, a relationship problem, or fear of the future. That’s why these epistles are so relevant for us today.

Beginning **December 6**, Pastor Danny started a new Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study on the books of 1 & 2 Peter, entitled, **“Triumphant Living.”** During the coming months, some of the lessons we will focus on are: *“Dispelling Discouragement,” “The Benefits of Trials,” “Influencing People for Christ,” “Living in the Future Tense,” “Preparing for the End,”* and **MORE**. We invite you to join us on **Wednesday nights**, at **7:00 p.m.**, in the sanctuary.

UPCOMING EVENTS:



Dec 12 Tanglewood Lights Trip – 5:30 p.m.

- Dec 13 Young at Heart Luncheon– 11:00 a.m.
- Dec 14 Wesleyan Women – 6:30 p.m.
- Dec 17 Celebration Choir Cantata - 10:00 a.m.
- Dec 17 March to the Manger Offering
- Dec 24 Communion – 10:00 a.m.
- Dec 27 No Evening Services
- Dec 28-31 Youth Follow 2023 Conference
- Dec 31 New Year’s Eve

Offering for Sunday, December 3, 2023

Sunday School	\$22.00
Missions	\$150.00
Offering	\$6,117.00
Online	<u>\$2,544.97</u>
Total Received	\$8,833.97
Youth	\$767.00
Children	\$50.00

Budget Conf. Year 2023-2024	\$339,115.00
December 2023 - Budget Assigned	\$32,607.21
Weekly Budget Assigned	\$6,521.44
Amount Rec 1 Sunday(s) in Dec.	\$8,833.97
Amt Rec’d as of Dec. 3, 2023	\$210,909.90
Budgeted amount for week 31	\$202,164.71

Tellers: Tim Belford and Larry Rierson

“TALK ISN'T CHEAP”

the book of

COLOSSIANS

Date: December 10, 2023

Text: Colossians 4:2-18

1. The power of _____ & _____

*“Devote yourselves to **prayer**, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message. . . Pray that I may **proclaim** it clearly, as I should.” (vs. 2-4)*

➤ **Prayer = Communication** _____

➤ **Proclaim = Communication** _____

Tips for Devoted Prayer:

Tip #1: Be _____

Tip #2: Be _____

Tip #3: Be _____

2. The Necessity of a _____

“Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. . .” (vs. 5-6)

• _____ in the way you _____

• _____ in the way you _____

3. The Importance of _____

Fellowship means:

_____	_____
_____	_____
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