



Kern Memorial United Methodist Church

The Reverend Daniel H. Taylor, Jr., Pastor

December 9, 2018, 11:00 am

Second Sunday of Advent

Greetings and Announcements

Organ Prelude

Prelude on a French Noel

Marilyn Rinehart

*Entrance of the Cross and The Light

*Hymn

Angels from the Realms of Glory

220

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Neal & Julie Martin

Mark 1:4-And so John came. baptizing in the desert region and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. We light this candle as a symbol of Christ the Way. May the Word sent from God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation.

O come, O come, Emmanuel

*Hymn

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

204

* Apostles Creed

881

*Gloria Patri

70

Concerns and Prayer

Daniel H. Taylor, Jr.

Anthem

On This Day

Jonathan Willcocks

Offertory

Still, Still, Still

arr. Paul Manz

Doxology

94

*Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

(vs. 1-4) 211

Scripture Lesson: Luke 3:1-8

Sherry Smyrl

Sermon

“Smooth Roads”

Rev. Daniel H. Taylor, Jr.

*Hymn

Blessed Be the God of Israel

209

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Toccata on Adeste Fideles

arr. David H. Hegarty

***Congregation Standing**

Announcements

UMW/UMM CHRISTMAS POTLUCK MONDAY, DEC 10, AT 6:00PM

The United Methodist Women & United Methodist Men will meet together tomorrow night, Monday, Dec 10, for their annual Christmas Potluck dinner at 6:00 pm in the FLC. All women and men in the church are invited to this festive holiday event. Ham will be provided by the UMM.

Please bring a side dish to share.

GIRLFRIENDS IN CHRIST HOLIDAY GATHERING—THIS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 6:30 PM!

Please join us for a Holiday Gathering in the Kern Church Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, December 11th at 6:30 pm. Dress in an Ugly Christmas Sweater, or other holiday clothing. Bring a \$5-\$10 gift for a swap and a holiday snack to share. Also feel free to bring games to play. There is no need to sign up ahead of time for this activity, just show up! I look forward to seeing you all for some festive fun!



ADVENT STUDIES

Sunday School: The Christian Formation class is doing a four-week Advent Study entitled *Promise*. Each week we'll discuss in detail one aspect of the Promise (the Star, the Name, for All People, and Waiting), centering Scripture and thought-provoking questions.



Both are available from Steve Pawel and the church office. Join us in Room 4 (off Fellowship Hall) during the Sunday School hour this Advent season!

Tuesday Mornings: The Tuesday Morning Bible Study will look at the Old Testament passages used in the Christmas Section of G. F. Handel's Messiah. Join Pastor Dan and the Bible Study group on Tuesdays at 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall for this interesting study.

Friday Mornings: The Friday morning book group is reading *The Sacred Secular: How God is Using the World to Shape the Church*. Call or text Diane DeBinder (865-405-7790) if you would like to join us. The group meets in the Parlor at 9:30 am.

JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES



December 16

9:00 am—Special Music by our Praise Band (Family Life Center)*

11:00 am—Christmas Cantata, featuring our Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)*

December 23

8:30 am—Special Service, featuring H.I.S. Puppeteers (Sanctuary)*

YOUTH PROGRESSIVE DINNER—THIS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 4:30 PM

All youth are invited to a fun Progressive Dinner this Friday! In order to plan for food and transportation, those intending to participate are asked to let Alisha know as soon as possible. See Alisha for additional youth news!

Youth Schedule

Today— Sunday School, 10:00 am

Dec. 12— Impact Youth, 6:30 pm

Dec. 14— Progressive Dinner, 4:30 pm

Dec. 16— Sunday School, 10:00 am

Dec. 19— NO Impact Youth

Dec. 23— Sunday School, 10:00 am

BIBLE VERSES TO PRAY FOR YOUR TEEN(S)

Pray for a spirit of reliability. "A
depth of dependability"
(1 Corinthians 4:2)

KERN HOSTS ECUMENICAL STOREHOUSE IN DECEMBER & JANUARY. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

Kern Methodist and Grace Lutheran host the Ecumenical Storehouse the first half of December and the last half of January.

The Storehouse will be closed from December 17, and will reopen on January 14. The Storehouse is no longer open on Wednesdays.

Volunteers are needed from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon on Mondays and Fridays, December 10, 14, to escort clients and to load furniture and pickup donations. Additional "man" power is needed on Saturday mornings, December 15, from 9:00 am to noon for pickups only.

Questions: Carla Giles 482-5935

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who donated toys for the Holiday Bureau. Your giving was tremendous and will make a real Christmas for many boys and girls. **Remember the Christmas tree in the Narthex which contains ornaments with names and addresses of our missionaries. Please remove names from the back of the ornaments and send Christmas cards to them.**

HOLSTON UNITED METHODIST HOME FOR CHILDREN

God has given Shawn a beautiful voice. During his time at Holston Home his confidence has grown, leading him to his first performance at the County Fair. For a boy who has no family supporting him, it was a special moment to hear the roar of the crowd as he took the stage. When you give to Holston Home this Fifth Sunday, December 30, you are helping other children, like Shawn, discover how truly valuable they are.

Did you know that the ornaments on the Chrismon Tree in the Sanctuary, were made by a group of Kern ladies nearly 35 years ago?

Announcements

NEW AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBER CLASSES



In January, Pastor Dan will be leading a class for new members and visitors wanting to learn more about Methodism and the church. This four-week class will be offered during the Sunday School hour

(10:00 am), starting January 6. All those who have joined the church within the past year, and those contemplating membership are invited.

David Vick will be leading a *Spiritual Gifts Class* on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm, in conjunction with the Membership Class. Those taking the membership class are encouraged to attend, but all are invited. **If you are interested in participating in these classes, please sign up on the tear-off.**

ADVENT OFFERING

This year's Advent/Christmas Eve offering will focus on providing financial assistance to two local organizations, The Blossom Center and The Ecumenical Storehouse, both in Oak Ridge. The Blossom Center is a nonprofit organization that partners with parents to provide affordable and accessible childcare. Academic oriented programs are offered to support working parents to help bridge the gap between school and home. Care is offered seven days a week, along with meals and extracurricular and tutoring activities. The Ecumenical Storehouse is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that collects usable household items to help those in need through a referral system. Members of Kern volunteer at the storehouse one month each year, plus support this ministry in various other ways on a regular basis. Please be generous to increase the impact of Kern in our community, nation, and the world.

REGISTER NOW FOR CAMP FAITH SPRING SESSION

Registration is open now through December 13 for the Spring Session of our Camp Faith Preschool Ministry. Children ages 3-5 years are eligible to attend, and a Nursery is available for siblings, ages 6 weeks through 35 months. The spring session of Camp Faith is January 8 through May 23. Classes are on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 am to noon. An Activities Fee of \$180 is required per child for the 18-week session. Contact Chanda Knight (455-4769 or chandak@kernumc.org) for registration forms and additional information.

Children's Christmas Party—December 16, Tri-County Roll Arena, 4:45-6:45 pm



Next Sunday afternoon, we're having a Skating Party at the Tri-County Roll Arena in Oliver Springs. All kids are invited to the party. **Please indicate on the tear-off how many children and adults will be participating.** Parents are asked to transport their children to and from the event.

WEDNESDAY NITER DINNER MENU

Buffet line opens at 5:30 pm. Make reservations by **signing the tear-off**. You may cancel by 12:00 noon on Monday by calling the church office. If you do not attend and did not cancel, you will be expected to pay. To order your meal as takeout, call the office by 4:00 pm on Wednesday.

Sloppy Joe's (Beef & Chicken)
Oven Fried Potatoes, Corn
Drinks: Coffee, Tea, and Lemonade
Homemade Desserts

Contact Information

December 9, 2018

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Check here if new ___ or changed ___
DO NOT SEPARATE NAME FROM
THE TEAR-OFF.

Place the tear-off in the offering plate.

Tear-off

WED-NITER MEAL RESERVATIONS

- ___ Number of adults/children, 7 years & older—\$7.00
- ___ Number of children, under age 7—FREE
- ___ I would like to make this a Permanent Reservation. Family Cap — \$25.00 (immediate family/household)
- ___ I would like to pay for an additional meal(s) for someone who may not be able to afford one.

MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

(Jan. 2019)

I would like to participate in the:

- ___ Membership Class Series
- ___ Spiritual Gifts Class

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SKATING PARTY (12/16)

We will participate in the roller skating party.

- ___ # of Adults _____
- ___ # of Children _____



Monday, December 24

Candlelight & Communion Service

5:00 pm in our Sanctuary*

Please join us and bring your friends for a one-hour informal family-friendly service, filled with music and candlelight.

*Child care available for children under age 4.

This Week At Kern

Key: Sanctuary (S), Family Life Center (FLC), Narthex (N), Fellowship Hall (FH), Parlor (P), Theatre (T), Chapel/Prayer Room (C)

SUNDAY, December 9, 2018 Second Sunday of Advent

- 8:30 am Early Worship Service (S)
- 9:00 am Praise and Worship Service (FLC)
- 10:00 am Sunday School Classes
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service (S)

MONDAY, December 10, 2018

- 9:00 am Monday Morning Maintenance (FH)
- 5:30 pm Yoga (N)
- 6:00 pm UMW/UMM Christmas Potluck (FLC)
- 6:00 pm Girl Scouts #20185 (FH)
- 6:30 pm Venture Crew (N)
- 7:00 pm NO Boy Scouts (FLC)

TUESDAY, December 11, 2018

- 9:00 am Camp Faith
- 10:00 am Bible Study (FH)
- 12:30 pm Staff Meeting (P)
- 6:00 pm Girls Inc. Practice (FLC)
- 6:30 pm GIC Christmas Party (FH)

WEDNESDAY, December 12, 2018

- 9:15 am Yoga (FLC)
- 10:30 am Mommy and Co. (FLC)
- 3:00 pm Girl Scouts #69 (FH)
- 4:30 pm Missions Meeting (P)
- 5:30 pm Wednesday Niter (FLC)
- 6:30 pm Children's Devotion (24)
- 6:30 pm Impact Youth
- 6:30 pm Hookers & Needlers (FH)
- 6:45 pm Chancel Choir (S)
- 7:00 pm NO Praise Band Practice (FLC)

THURSDAY, December 13, 2018

- 8:00 am Kern Prayer Partners (P)
- 9:00 am Camp Faith (Pajama Party)
- 5:00 pm Generosity (P)
- 5:30 pm Crossroads Board Meeting (C)
- 6:00 pm NO Finance (Rm 5)
- 6:00 pm Girls Inc (FLC)

FRIDAY, December 14, 2018

- 9:30 am Sacred Secular Book Study (P)
- 4:30 pm Youth Progressive Dinner
- 6:00 pm Girls Inc. Practice (FLC)
- 6:30 pm Praise Band Christmas Party (Debbie Shope's House)

SATURDAY, December 15, 2018

- 9:00 am Praise Band Practice (FLC)
- 1:00 pm Birthday Party (FLC)

SUNDAY, December 16, 2018 Third Sunday of Advent

BAD WEATHER GUIDELINES

Inclement weather is about to be upon us. Reminder that when bad weather strikes, there are certain rules in place, one of those being safety is the main thing. Kern Church follows Oak Ridge City Schools closely. If Oak Ridge Schools close due to weather conditions Kern Church office is closed along with regularly scheduled church activities also. It will be up to Pastor Dan as to whether Sunday Services are cancelled. Check our website, Facebook, email correspondence, WBIR, and other church resources for closings and delays.



Participants for Today's Services

Early Worship Greeter	Sam Early
Early Worship Acolyte	Caleb Bennett
Early Worship Scripture Reader	Caleb Bennett
P&W Parking Greeters	Wes & Barbara Sims
P&W Scripture Reader	Paulette Missaggia
Late Outside Greeter	Steve Cates/Lisa Fitzpatrick
Late Narthex Greeters	Lloyd & Betty Stokes
Late Worship Acolyte	Kaeden Miller
Late Worship Crucifer	Sophia Hughes
Children's Circle	None
Late Worship Scripture Reader	Sherry Smyrl
Proofreader	Michelle Pawel
Offering Counters	Fred White/Laura Smith

Participants on December 16, 2018

Early Worship Greeter	Jacqueline Early
Early Worship Acolyte	Traci Welch
Early Worship Scripture Reader	Troy Welch
P&W Parking Greeters	Greg & Jeanetta Nutter
P&W Scripture Reader	Jeanetta Nutter
Late Outside Greeter	Jim Keiser/Charles McAlister
Late Narthex Greeters	Steve & Shirley Cates
Late Worship Acolyte	Kaeden Miller
Late Worship Crucifer	Caroline Miller
Children's Circle	None
Late Worship Scripture Reader	Julie Martin
Proofreader	Michele Brandenburg
Offering Counters	Fred White/Sue Jacox

2018 General Fund

General Fund (12-2-18)	\$13,264
General Fund Year to date	\$462,725
General Budget 2018	\$559,863
Communion Offering	\$561
Advent Offering	\$50

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 12/9 Judy Keiser, Connie Moehl
- 12/10 Will Davis, Joyce Willis
- 12/11 Rachel Arnold, Laura Brown, Cathy Cary, Noah Harrington, Susan Jacox, Nicole Nutter
- 12/12 Sylvia Brinkman, Gladys Clifton, Kathy Douglass, Harry McNabb, Mason Oakes
- 12/13 Alexander Martin, Ruth Miller, Kelly Weeks Tedder
- 12/14 Skylar Clute
- 12/15 Linda Morrison
- 12/16 Tracy Brown, Dewey Ewing