First Sunday Of Advent

December 3, 2017 Worship at 9am & 11 a.m. *Those who are able please stand. **Bold** type for congregation to speak or sing.

Gathering Music

Sussex Carol with It Came Upon A Midnight Clear arr. Tom Fettke

Welcome and Mission Statement Announcements

Introit(11am) Of The Father's Love Begotten UMH#184 (verse 1)

Moments of Friendship-Greet One Another in Peace

*Preparing Our Hearts People, Look East UMH#202 (verse 1,4,)

*Call To Worship Jason Conaway

Lighting Of The Advent Wreath

Children's Moment Tina Campbell (27") UMH#217 (As the children come forward please sing, "Away In A Manger")

Sacrament Of Holy Baptism (11am) Ethan Lane Kirby

God Claims You FWS#2249 Baptism Song (verse 1)

Song Of Praise

It's Still The Greatest Story Ever Told Bill & Gloria Gaither Soloist: Cheri Brown

Rev. Bev

Prayers of the People

Scripture Meditation Matthew 1:23

Worship Through God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*Offertory Prayer: Accept O God, your tithes and our offerings, as the portion you asked us to give to demonstrate our trust in you and our hope in your promises. Bless these gifts and your church as we journey with expectation toward the birth of our Savior, Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Offertory I Wonder As I Wander arr. Mark Hayes

UMH#203 *Doxology Hail To The Lord's Anointed (verse 4)

Choral Anthem(11am) Come, Come, Emmanuel Joel Raney

Isaiah 2:1-5 *Scripture

Hope Of The World Rev. Rick Sermon

Hymn of Response

I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light **UMH#206** (verse 1,3)

Sacrament Of Holy Communion

Benediction

Choral Benediction(11am)

UMH#213 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates (verse 4)

*********** SUNDAY SERVANTS:

Ushers: Rick McClung Pat Brown Doug Warren Jesse Guills

Liturgist:: Kyle Jones Van Driver: Bruce Ramsey

Hospitality: Barb Miller Greeters: 9am-Suzanne Criddle & Susan Smead

11am – Suzanne Criddle

************* ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY:

9am - 121 Sunday School - 68 11am - 162

OFFERING LAST SUNDAY:

General Fund Offering Last Sunday—\$ 7,401.00

WELCOME TO LEWISBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!

We are glad that you have joined us to worship God and seek God's presence. It is our desire to provide a place where you can experience personal worship of God and be part of a church family that seeks to grow in faith and glorify God. We look forward to meeting you during and after the service. An infant, toddler & pre-school nursery is also available during both Sunday morning worship services and Sunday School. Nursery pagers are given to parents so that you can be assured that you can be reached at any time if your child needs you.



Worship News=

Please join us for the celebration of Advent with these worship services: December 3rd—Hope, December 10th—Peace, December 17th—Joy, December 24th—Love. All the Sundays of Advent will follow the theme of the Advent Candle.

The LUMC Chancel Choir, under the direction of Carrie Honaker and accompanied by a chamber orchestra, will present the cantata, Let the Whole World Sing, next Sunday, December 10, during the 9am and 11am worship services. Christmas is now celebrated in more than 160 countries, by people as diverse as the cultures in which they live. Yet, despite our differences, we celebrate the season as one kingdom of believers. The hope for peace on earth is shared by millions of people in every corner of the globe. This is the inspiration behind Let the Whole World Sing. Come and enjoy global music and a fresh re-telling of the Christmas story! And, please help us spread the word and invite friends, family and co-workers!

Together Tuesday– @ Hill & Holler is our community and a midweek casual worship opportunity for you and your neighbors, co-workers and friends. Pray and ask who might need to be reached with the good news of Jesus and invite them! See you December 5th at 6:00!

Christmas Eve Services—Please plan to join us for an 11am service on the morning of Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th. (No 9am Service) The evening services will be held at 5pm, 7pm, and 11pm.

BIBLE STUDY OFFERINGS=

Come and join Pastor Rick Sunday, December 3rd for the first Advent Study from 5-6:00pm. Call the Church office to sign up or you can register on the phone app on the registration tab.

Life Group (ages 20's, 30's and 40's) will meet for Sunday School in the Youth Room today. Join us as we are studying Max Lucado's new book, "Anxious for Nothing".

Fellowship Opportunity=

Enjoy our hospitality area! We encourage you to come have a cup of coffee or tea and visit with your church family just outside the sanctuary. Enjoy a space to visit.

Office News=

Sarah Hann, our Communications Coordinator may be reached by email at: shann268@gmail.com. Contact Sarah if you have news or information to be shared on Facebook or our church email.

Santa's Workshop=

It's here! If you have items for Santa's shelves at Bazaar, please leave them at Santa's Shop on the stage in Wesley Hall. Ho! Ho! Ho! And thanks!

Meetings=

Staff Parish will meet on Monday, December 4th at 7:00pm.

Upcoming Events=

The Christmas Tree Lane Bazaar will be this Thursday, December 7th. We hope you will come out and support this worthwhile endeavor of the United Methodist Women. If you are donating crafts, baked goods, Christmas decorations or items for Santa's Workshop please have them at the church by noon on Wednesday. In the new vendor's area, representatives from Pampered Chef, Mary Kay, Usborne Books, Perfectly Posh, Thirty-one, Lularoe, Papaarazzi, Flower Paradise, Black Cat and Blossom and many more will be here to sell their goods.

Greenbrier Valley Chorale presents The Brightest and Best Music of Christmas on Sunday, December 10th, 3:00 p.m. at Carnegie Hall. Adult tickets are \$17, K-Undergrad \$7 and are available through Carnegie Hall at 304-645-7917, www.carnegiehallwv.org and at the door.

Save The Date: LUMC Family Retreat for all ages, January 19th & 20th with Rev. Hub & Rev. Brenda Blankenship.

Missions=

Wellspring of Greenbrier needs your help!! We will be collecting clean and gently used shoes and boots, and winter blankets, quilts and comforters for **Share the Warmth 2017**! Look for drop-off containers near the office or in the hallway near Wesley Hall November 5th through December 30th.

Our youth are selling \$10.00 scriptural calendars in the Narthex to support student ministry needs. Get yours before they are gone!

Do you have a young person in college or the military? The church would like to send out care packages throughout the year to let them know that we are thinking of them. Please call or email the church office with your child's name and address as soon as possible.

Youth Scoop=

HUDDLE!!!

See you TONIGHT at Rev Bev's for UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER PARTY!! Huddle Lo: 12-1:30pm – ALL Leaders Huddle Hi: 6-7:30pm— ALL Leaders Bring a \$10.00 gift!!

HUDDLE December 10th @ Huddle House

<u>Huddle Lo</u>-5pm <u>Huddle Hi</u>-6:00pm

Children's Ministry=

Impromptu Christmas Play! All children are welcome to celebrate and participate in the Nativity Story on Sunday, December 17th. We will practice at 4:00pm and perform at 5:00pm, with a Birthday party for Jesus immediately after with cake and ice cream provided by Mission Team.

Full Circle will meet on December 12th! Full Circle meets once a month for rhythm, music, drumming, and the Word! It is open to students in Pre-K through 5th grade and meets on the second Tuesday of every month from 4:00 to 5:00pm. Bring a friend and come join the full circle.

The next *Quest* for children in grades K-5 will take place on December 16th from 10am-noon at LUMC. Music, edible art, craft, fellowship, and more-come enjoy it all...and bring a friend!

Calling all children! Do your Christmas shopping all day Thursday at Santa's Workshophere! Pick out gifts for family or friends for only fifty cents each!



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OUR VISION IS

Go make disciples Grow in love Glorify God

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday School ~ 10am Worship ~ 9am & 11am ********** Ministers Members-668 Rev. Rick Brown **Pastor** Associate Pastor Rev. Bev Colombo Director of Music Carrie Honaker Accompanist Lara Edwards **Church Administrator Brittany Damon** Ministry Staff Assistant Rhonda Kinder Sound Technician Darren Campbell Brenda Fitzgerald Custodian Shepherd's Center Director Teresa Bostic Joyful Noise Program Director Rhonda Kinder Preschool and PMO Director Shannon Lehmen Sunday School & Nursery Coordinator Faith Robinson Children's Outreach & Sarah Hann **Communications Coordinator**

Student Intern Tiler Bland