

WELCOME TO BREVARD FIRST UNITED!

Welcome to Brevard First Church! We are thrilled YOU are here to anticipate Jesus’ arrival through prayer, song, music and the Word. We are in Advent, a time of waiting for Jesus’ birth. We pray that this Worship brings you meaning for this Season!

HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS THIS WEEK :

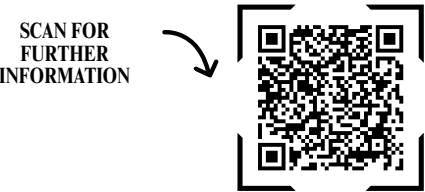
TODAY	Advent One - HOPE. Rev. Alvord, preaching with a sermon titled : "Day is Near - Light Dawns" <i>Today is the LAST day to drop off Christmas Tree gifts!</i> 5:00PM Advent Wreath Workshop in the Fellowship Hall No Crosstown Youth today, come join us for wreath making! 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal in the Bell & Book Room 6:30PM Zoom Dream Group
Mon. Dec. 1	
Tues. Dec. 2	10:30AM Prayer Group in the Chapel
Wed. Dec. 3	4:30PM Children’s Choir (Upper Level) 5:15PM Praise Team (8:45AM Service) Band Rehearsal 6:30PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thurs. Dec. 4	8:00AM Jacob Conversations in the Seekers Classroom 10:00AM Centering Prayer in the Chapel 2:00PM Grief Support Circle in the Chapel
Fri. Dec. 5	12:30PM Advent Organ Recital Series (more info below)
Sat. Dec. 6	7:30AM-12:00PM Red Cross Blood Drive in the FH 5:00PM High School to Winter Lights at the Arboretum
Sun. Dec. 7	Advent Two - PEACE. Rev. Alvord preaching 2:30PM Christmas Caroling, Cider & Snacks at McGaha Chapel Park at Sherwood Forest Clubhouse for a Shuttle. 3:30PM “Explorations in Jewish Life and History” lecture, featuring Professor Joseph Lam 5:00PM Mission Team Committee meeting in the Chapel No Crosstown Youth! St Nick dinner at St. Philips Episcopal



Celebrate the Season
WITH THE ADVENT ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5
12:30 P.M.
AT BREVARD FUMC
Elizabeth LaJeunesse. organist

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12
12:30 P.M.
AT BREVARD FUMC
James Taulbee. organist



ADVENT IS A NEW BEGINNING - WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Christians keep time differently from January to December. Advent is the Christian **HAPPY NEW YEAR!** We follow the promise of Jesus from his birth, teaching & death, toward his resurrection. In light of the New Christian Year, we want your feedback! Rate the following items. **PLACE YOUR RESPONSES IN AN OFFERING BOX. Circle from ONE** (*meaning “Needs Improvement”*) **to FIVE** (*meaning “I am Pleased”*).

GREETING & WELCOME INTO WORSHIP	1	2	3	4	5
USHERS & GREETERS	1	2	3	4	5
ANNOUNCEMENTS	1	2	3	4	5
SONGS/HYMNS	1	2	3	4	5
PRAISE BAND MUSIC/CHOIR ANTHEM	1	2	3	4	5



You are invited to dedicate poinsettias and wreaths to the memory or in honor of loved ones during the seasons of Advent and Christmas **by making a gift to the FUMC Flower Fund. Donations and dedications** will be accepted at the **church office** and included in the newsletter and bulletin for services during Christmas week. Email Brittany for more information : **admin@brevardfumc.org**

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeter	Ken Olson
Liturgist	Margo Toering
Crucifer	Parker Laughridge
Audio	Tad Fogel
Streaming	Hank Welter
Rotating Ushers	Volney Tinsley, Larry Vance, Rick McGaha, Dianne Krause and Jerry Yunker

Please accept our apologies for any oversights or mistakes in the program.

BREVARD FIRST STAFF TEAM

- Lead Pastor Veranita Alvord
- Associate Pastor of Faith Formation Sarah Grace Montgomery
- Associate Pastor Sharad Creasman
- Interim Organist and Music Assistant Sarah Lee Myracle
- Praise Service Worship Leader Dan Toot
- Choir Sectional Leader & Interim Music Director Bart Gilleland
- Choir Sectional Leader Christina Hairston
- Financial Administrator Christy Stansel
- Weekday Children’s Program Director Sabrina Tyler
- Operations Manager Brittany Ingold
(admin@brevardfumc.org)

+ Please Rise in Body and Spirit
UMH= RED United Methodist Hymnal
URWB = BLUE Upper Room Worship Book



Brevard First
has trained Stephen Ministers to help when times are hard. Please call Marian Wolf to be matched with a caregiver. 828-553-4426



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Please switch hearing aid to T-coil



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WORSHIP ATTENDANCE : NOVEMBER 23, 2025 = 169
8:30AM - 14, 8:45AM - 60, 11:00AM - 95

Come see our NEW Advent Bulletins
and Theme this Sunday!

11:00AM Worship Service

+ PLEASE RISE IN BODY AND SPIRIT

PEOPLE READ **BOLD** PRINT

DRAWING TOGETHER

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Sarah Lee Myracle

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” arr. Tim Doran

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

Margo Toering

Psalm 122:1-2 and Isaiah 2:3, 5. People read **bold** print.

I was glad when they said to me,

“**Let us go to the house of the Lord!**”

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

That we may learn God’s ways and walk in God’s paths.

Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

+ HYMN

RED UMH #196

“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Nissley, Ball, Bruncati and Hoxit Families

The prophet Isaiah calls to us from the past to imagine the future when God’s reign will be fully realized and recognized throughout creation. When that time comes, God “shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more” (Isaiah 2:4).

Today, we choose to live in HOPE believing that the time of God’s reign has come and is coming among us.

We light this candle of HOPE as a sign of our promise to follow the light as we answer God’s call to transform our HOPE into reality today and in the days to come.

+ PASSING THE HOPE OF CHRIST

Rev. Montgomery

You may not feel comfortable shaking hands or embracing.

You can make prayer hands and bow to those near to you, if you prefer.

May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

+ HYMN

RED UMH #211

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Verse 1

LISTENING

+ SCRIPTURE

Margo Toering

Romans 13:11-14

The Word of God, for us the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” by J. S. Bach

Sarah Moser, conductor

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Alvord

MESSAGE

Rev. Alvord

"Day Is Near - Light Dawns"

+ HYMN

RED UMH #202

“People, Look East”

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Alvord

THE LORD’S PRAYER In Unison

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.


RESPONDING

TITHES AND OFFERINGS


Rev. Montgomery

Please use the Offering boxes in the Narthex or Welcome Center or scan the QR code below.

SCAN ME



Scan the QR code to give your tithe/offering.



OFFERTORY

Sarah Lee Myracle

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” arr. Tim Doran

+ ADVENT DOXOLOGY

RED UMH# 242

“Love Came Down at Christmas” Verse 3

Love shall be our token; love be yours and love be mine; love to God and neighbor, love for plea and gift and sign.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Dr. Creasman

MOVING OUT TO SERVE

+ HYMN

RED UMH #238

“Angels We Have Heard on High” vs. 1 and 2

+BLESSING

Rev. Alvord

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Sarah Lee Myracle

“Angels from the Realms of Glory” arr. Anna Laura Page

SERMON/ PREACHING	1	2	3	4	5
CALL FOR THE OFFERING	1	2	3	4	5
BENEDICTION/BLESSING	1	2	3	4	5
PARTICIPATION OF THE PEOPLE	1	2	3	4	5

WHAT OTHER FEEDBACK DO YOU HAVE?