

Rooted In Faith December 18th

McKendree Methodist Church

Message from the Pastor

First and foremost, a major thank you to all who contributed to an amazing service last Sunday! I hope it becomes a yearly tradition. It filled me, and I am sure all in attendance, with true joy and really made the Christmas season come alive!



The true meaning of Christmas is found in Matthew 1:21: "She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus because he will save his people from their sins." Christmas is a celebration of the life and sacrifices of Jesus, emphasizing the theme of redemption. As we prepare ourselves during the Advent season, it is an opportunity for personal renewal and reflection. Just like Jesus' birth, this is just the beginning!

Christmas is not just about a fresh start (even though this is important); rather, it centers on God's profound love, grace, and humility, represented by the greatest gift of all: the newborn Jesus. Jesus was born in a humble setting and grew into a man who would ultimately redeem humanity through His life and sacrificial death on the cross. The Christmas story extends beyond the manger; it is about Jesus' life, His teachings, His crucifixion, and His resurrection, which affirm Him as God's Son!

The main message of Christmas emphasizes that redemption is a gift that came in the form of a baby boy from our Heavenly Father—a gift that we cannot earn through our actions or decisions. It should not be about striving to "clean up our act," but rather about accepting the grace of redemption through faith. This understanding highlights that the true significance of Christmas lies in acknowledging and embracing the gift of salvation offered by Jesus Christ, making it a true celebration of Jesus. Jesus is the source of hope, peace, joy, and love. The miracle of His birth in the manger was not the end of Jesus' testimony; even though we can never be Jesus, we are called to be Christlike!

So, as we try to remember the "Reason for the Season," let us also remember that His birth was just the start of His ministry!

See you Next Sunday as we continue with our December Sermon Series!

Event Information

Christmas Caroling December 20th

Everyone is invited to attend door to door caroling for shut-in members on December 20 at 4 p.m. followed by soup and hot cocoa at the church.

When?

Friday, Dec 20, 2024, 04:00 PM

Lessons and Carols Service on December 15th!





Event Information

Christmas Eve Service

We will hold our Christmas Eve service at 5 PM!

When?

Tuesday, Dec 24, 2024, 05:00 PM

Where?

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December Service Schedule

December Series -Here Comes Our King!

December 1 - Worship at 9:30 AM and 10:45 AM; Sunday School for Adults, Youth, and Kids.

Sermon Topic: *"Here Comes Our King Part I - Prepare for a Visitor."*

December 8 - Worship at 9:30 AM and 10:45 AM; Sunday School for Adults, Youth, and Kids.

Sermon Topic: *"Here Comes Our King Part II - Scandal?"*

An admin council meeting will follow Sunday School.

December 15 - Worship at 9:30 AM and 10:45 AM; Sunday School for Adults, Youth, and Kids.

Sermon Topic: *"Here Comes Our King Part III - Lessons and Carols Service!"*

December 22 - Worship at 9:30 AM and 10:45 AM; Sunday School for Adults, Youth, and Kids.

Sermon Topic: *"Here Comes Our King Part IV - Tell It! The Kingdom is Here and Now!"*

December 24 - Christmas Eve Service at 5 PM!

December 29 - Worship at 9:30 AM and 10:45 AM; Sunday School for Adults, Youth, and Kids.

Sermon Topic: "Here Comes Our King Part V - Who We Are in Christ!"

Event Information

Weekly Thursday Night Bible/Book Study! We will start on Jan. 9th!

- We will start our weekly Bible/Book study on Thursday, Jan. 9th at 6:15 PM. We will meet each Thursday! This will be pastor-led, but don't let that keep you away. ☺
- The first book we will read is: *Gospeler: Turning Darkness into Light One Conversation at a Time.*
- In the new year, our focus will be to Go! To go into our community and go into the world and grow God's Kingdom! We can do this one conversation at a time.

When?

Thursday, Jan 9, 2025, 06:15 PM

Where?

McKendree Methodist Church, Manfield Road, Manquin, VA, USA

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

Attend (RSVP)

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