

STILL, STILL, STILL,
'TIS THE EVE OF OUR
SAVIOR'S BIRTH





RIVERSIDE PARK

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"Empowering others to live life abundantly in Christ."

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Announcements

Serving in Worship Today

4:30 p.m. Contemporary Service

Greeters: Kevin Crowell, Beth Joyner, Barbara Merton,
and Amy Smith

Tech Team: Tami Crowell and Robby Monk

7:00 p.m. Traditional Service

Greeters: Emily & Ian Charleton, Judy & Danny Marks,
and Brittany Bruce

Tech Team: Brittany and Quinton Scott

Ushers: Craig Coffey, Shirley Davis, Niel Fleming, and
Jane Hazlett

Liturgist: Teresa Meyer

Crucifers: Wyatt Snipes, Ria McCorkle

Acolytes: EJ and Ellie Waters

Banner Bearers: Bella and Tessa McCorkle

Worship Attendance - Dec. 22, 2024

Contemporary Service - In Person	84
Contemporary Service - Online	4
Traditional Service - In Person	130
Traditional Service - Online	8
Total Worship	226

What's Happening This Week?

Today:

Contemporary Worship: 4:30 p.m.

Traditional Worship: 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, December 29th:

Pancake Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

One Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

**The church office will be closed tomorrow and
Thursday.**

Other Activities:

Tai Chi: Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. & Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
(Rhames Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday Night Ministry: Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

First Friday Friends: 1st Fridays at 11:00 a.m.

(Rhames Fellowship Hall)

United Methodist Men: 2nd Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.

Young Adults: 2nd Sundays at 12:00 p.m.

Sisters of Service: 2nd Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Circle of Hope: 2nd Thursdays at 11:00 a.m.

Circle of Joy & Peace: 3rd Wednesdays at 11:00 p.m.

Free Meals Served Last Week: 107

Please fill out a Connect Card to let us
know you are here today. You can find
one in the pew pocket or scan here.



Contemporary Service of Worship

December 24, 2024

4:30 p.m.

Prelude

The Weary World Rejoices - Millie Russell
Glorious - WE THE KINGDOM

Gather with Song

Angels We Have Heard on High - Chris Tomlin

Welcome and Opening Prayer
Greet one another in Christ!

Light the Christ Candle:

Still, Still, Still,

Prince of Peace, Send Your Light to us Still

**We welcome Gwyndolyn Russell and family to light this year's Christ candle
and read Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 (CEB).**

Kid's Message

*We value the gift of generations, so all kids are invited to grab a worship bag (or coloring supplies)
and remain in the sanctuary as part of worship.*

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offer Gifts to God

During the song, you are invited to place an offering in one of the baskets in the aisle.

Wonderful, Merciful Savior - Selah

*All of tonight's offering will provide free Wednesday night meals for those who need them.
As Christ is God's gift to the world, tonight's offering is a gift to the neighborhood.*

Proclaim the Word

Luke 2:1-16
Pastor Emily Knight

Break Bread. Celebrate Holy Communion.

Noel - Chris Tomlin

Share the Light of Christ: Light Candles

Silent Night - Hymn
(We will raise our candles during references to "light".)

Benediction and Sending

Go Tell It (This Is Amazing Grace) - Life Church Worship

Traditional Service of Worship

December 24, 2024

7:00 p.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE: *Carol of the Manger* Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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INTROIT Hopson

A Christmas Antiphonal
Chancel Choir

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 234

O Come, All Ye Faithful
(Verses 1-3, 6)

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

In ancient days, God promised hope and peace and joy

This same God is still at work. here. now.

Long ago, angels proclaimed good news to shepherds in the fields

This same news is still good for us. Here. now.

From the cry in the wilderness to the cry of a child in the manger, God has always heard God's people

So let us worship Christ, the newborn King, who was, and is, and always will be.

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP *Let no one be a stranger in the house of God.*

Please take this opportunity to greet those around you

*HYMN No. 238

Angels We Have Heard on High (verse 1)

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Still, Still, Still,

Prince of Peace, Send your Light to Us Still

We welcome Mariah Cope who has affirmed her baptism and received a Bible tonight. Mariah and some of her family will light the Christ candle and read from Isaiah 9:2,6-7 (CEB).

ANTHEM: Eithum

Prelude on Adeste Fideles
(*O Come, All Ye Faithful, God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen*)
Chancel Ringers

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father who 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.

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS:

As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

OFFERTORY:

Zgodava

Masters In This Hall
Chancel Choir

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*DOXOLOGY:

No. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE & MEDITATION:

Luke 2:1-16

Rev. Emily Knight

HOLY COMMUNION

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Adam

O Holy Night
Julie Garmendia, Soprano

*LIGHTING OF CANDLES

No. 239

Silent Night, Holy Night
(We will follow an Old English tradition and raise our candles during references to "light".)

*HYMN

No. 246

Joy to the World
Verses 1, 2 & 4 (Please extinguish your candle at this time.)

POSTLUDE

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Smith

If you purchased a poinsettia, please wait until *after* the postlude to come forward and collect it from the chancel area.

***CONGREGATION, PLEASE STAND**

Poinsettias

The flowers placed in the chancel area for Christmas are given by members and friends of Riverside Park UMC to enhance our worship experience and to express their love for someone special during the Christmas Season.

In Loving Honor of...

Bill & Carol Thurman by Jennie K. Bibb
Our church musicians by Jennie K. Bibb
Our church staff by Jennie K. Bibb
Mariah Cope by Suzanne Brooks-Cope
Alice Starnes by Ian & Emily Charleton
The Circle of Joy & Peace by Elizabeth Coley
Her friends by Deb Day
Her family by Deb Day
Their grandchildren by Bonnie & Tom Dudley
The wonderful volunteers of Wednesday Night Ministry by Bonnie Dudley
Our church family by JoAnn Goodwin
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John Larsen & the Chancel Choir by Mary & David Holladay
Mary Holladay by John Larsen
Nancy Newman by John Larsen
Millie Russell by John Larsen
Bobby & Jennifer Brazell, Tish Brazell, and Robert, Kim, & Sam Mosely by Peggy McCord
Brandon by Sandy Murphy
Joye Hampton by Julie & Chuck Pickren
Pastor Emily, Matt and Maddie by Julie & Chuck Pickren
Emily and Gordon Rehberg by Julie & Chuck Pickren
Their children, grands, & greats by Emily & Gordon Rehberg
Linda Robbins by Jonathan Smith
Susan Russell by Jonathan Smith
Jennie Bibb by Jonathan Smith
Mary Holladay by Jonathan Smith
Karen Western by Chris Western
Stephen Hite by Quint & Susan White, their children, & grandchildren

In Loving Memory of...

Richard Bailey by Karen & Wayne Bailey
Victoria Bailey by Karen & Wayne Bailey
James B. Bibb by Jennie K. Bibb
Prentice & Jennie Klicker by Jennie K. Bibb
Carolyn Thurman by Jennie K. Bibb

John Boling by Alletha Boling
Jeff Brockel by the Brockel Family
Their parents by Suzanne Brooks-Cope
Frank Campbell by Sandra Campbell
Buck & Grace Campbell by Sandra Campbell
Cleo & Myrtle Thompson by Sandra Campbell
Gena Doyle by Ian & Emily Charleton
Ruth Kincaid by Ian & Emily Charleton
Mary Nell & Ed Jones by Craig & Pam Coffey
Carol & Gerald Coffey by Craig & Pam Coffey
William H. Collier, Jr. by Amy Collier
Mildred D. Collier by Amy Collier
Fred & Thelma Crowell by The Crowell Family
Eloise Strickland by The Crowell Family
Judy Stowers, Lois & Andy Stowers, and Julius & Sylvia Krizon by The Crowell Family
Joe Dorsie by Alica Dorsie-Frank
Rich Lewis by Mary & David Holladay
Her mother, Helen Gibson by Beth Joyner
Family members no longer here, but always in her heart by Beth Joyner
Oscar & Priscilla Jungbauer by Roderick C. Jungbauer
Margaret "Granny Ree" Manus by Billy W. Kimbell
John T. Larsen by John Larsen
Willie Mae Larsen by John Larsen
Gloria Larsen by John Larsen
Mr. & Mrs. L. P. McCord, Mr. & Mrs. R. A. McCord, and Emma Lewis by Peggy McCord
Their son, James Thomas Pickren by Julie & Chuck Pickren
Their parents, Jack and Lucie Pickren and Tom and Dot Fitzpatrick by Julie & Chuck Pickren
Jim Allen by Julie & Chuck Pickren
Steve Glaros by Julie & Chuck Pickren
Dan Francabandiero by Julie & Chuck Pickren
Mary Rector & Kathy Hoover by Emily and Gordon Rehberg
Morrison & Margaret Rooks by The Rooks Family
Alyce Siegel by Stephen & Susan Siegel
Hugh & Lucille Wilson by Bettye Stilley
Leon & Gladys Stilley by Bettye Stilley
Toni Waters by The Waters Family
Shirley Dixon by Chris & Karen Western
The White Family by Marty White & JR Remington
The Wysong Family by Marty White & JR Remington
Arlynn & Mazie White, loving parents and grandparents by Quint & Susan White,
their children, & grandchildren
Betty Hite by Quint and Susan White, their children, & grandchildren

Welcome to Riverside Park UMC

CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

Christmas Eve: 9-12
Christmas Day: Closed
Day after Christmas: Closed
New Year's Eve: 9-12
New Year's Day: Closed



Pajamas & Pancakes

Join us the December 29th
to celebrate the birth of Jesus!

Kids wear pajamas.
Pancake Breakfast at 9:30 a.m.
One Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.



Join us Sunday, January 5th
9am & 11am Services

EPIPHANY STAR WORDS

FOR LIGHT AND GUIDANCE IN THE NEW YEAR

Offerings can be placed in
the sanctuary offering plates,
mailed to the church (819
Park St. Jacksonville, FL
32204) or given online using
"MyWell" (code to the right):
www.mywellorg/give/rpumc



5th Sunday
Special Offering
December 29th


Residing
Hope