

10:30am Traditional Service
WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude
 Welcome and Announcements Charles Watson
 Advent Reading Johnny & Alice Johnson
 *Call to Worship
 Opening Hymn #196 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"
 *Affirmation of Faith #881 The Apostles' Creed
 *Gloria Patri #70
 Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rev. Dwight Cartner
 Tithes and Offering
 *Doxology #95
 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

WE HEAR FROM GOD

Children's Time Carla Dry
 Anthem "When Emmanuel Has Come"
 Scripture John 8:2-11 Steve Joyce, Assoc. Lay Leader
 Sermon "What's Under This Rock?"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

*Closing Hymn #206 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" Vs. 1 & 3
 *Benediction
 Postlude

*All who are able, please stand

Oak Forest UMC Staff

Rev. Rick Carter, Pastor
 Rev. Dwight Cartner, Congregation Care Associate
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Ben Roop, Director of Children & Youth Ministries, Church Treasurer, After School & Summer Camp Director
 Stacey Roop, Assistant Director of Children & Youth Ministries

***December Vital Connection coming soon to the website!**

Announcements

Thank You! Thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the Boston Butts, the chicken pies and the church decorating. We appreciate your hard work and dedication to Oak Forest!

Christmas Cards. If you would like to send a Christmas card to everyone in the church, the Choir will be sponsoring the Oak Forest Christmas Card Booklet for 2022. Cards will be available today, December 4th and December 11th. Cost is \$10 and everyone who participates will receive a book. If you write a check, make it payable to Oak Forest UMC with "Christmas Card" on the memo line. If you have questions, contact Linda Anthony at 336-764-1861.

Never Too Old Club. Lunch at Cagney's Restaurant in Lexington on Thursday, **December 1st** at 11:30am. RSVP to Louise Thompson (704-996-7228) or Jane Vannoy (336-788-5811) by tomorrow.

Giving Tuesday. Can you give your TIME? We are looking for volunteers at the 9:00am service to make announcements and to help prepare communion. We also need adults to serve in our nursery at both services. All of these are just once a month. Contact the office at 336-764-2949 if you are interested.

Disciple Bible Study Class. Tuesday night at 6:30pm in the FLC large classroom.

Wednesday Weekly Prayer Service. The weekly prayer service on **November 30th** from 6:15pm until 6:45pm in the church sanctuary led by members of our congregation. This is a time of praises and prayer requests. Carolyn Shoaf will be the speaker.

Advent Classes. Star Wars Themed Advent lessons begin at 6:00pm on Wednesday nights, **November 30th** to Wednesday, **December 21st** for all K-5th graders! Join us for games, crafts, music, Christmas lessons from the Bible, & more! Contact Ben or Stacey Roop for more information or to register your child.

Blood Drive. The Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for next Sunday from 12:30-5:00pm. Donor registration is available online at redcrossblood.org. Search under zip code 27107 or Oak Forest United Methodist Church.

GREETERS TODAY

9:00am Donna King & Dianne Williams
 10:30am Marshall & Nancy Hiatt

USHERS TODAY

Team #4—Suzanne Arnold, Heather Drab, Louise Thompson, Nancy Spence

NURSERY TODAY

9:00am—Ben & Stacey Roop; 10:30am—Carla Dry & Carleen Hill

ATTENDANCE (11/20/22)

9:00 Contemporary Service:	51	
10:30 Traditional Service:	60	
Wednesday Night Service (*11/23)		Total Weekly Attendance: 133+
<i>(*not available at time of print)</i>		
9:00 Facebook Live	14	
10:30 Facebook Live	8	

OFFERING

Weekly Offering Received	\$4,685.75
Weekly Offering Needed	\$5,448.00

Grain Offering. Please don't forget to donate to the grain offering that is collected on the first Sunday of the month! If you would like to donate, you can bring 2 lbs bags of flour and sugar to the church office at your convenience. Thank you for your donations!

Prayer List (November 20—November 27, 2022)

Please keep these individuals and families in your prayers this week!

JOYS: Over 30 children came to Movie Night on Saturday; many thanks to the volunteers who helped smoke Boston Butts on Saturday; many thanks to the volunteers who helped the UMW make chicken pies on Friday; many thanks to those who helped decorate the church for Christmas on Monday;

Church: After school, Full Day and Preschool programs at Oak Forest; all the efforts and hard work to keep everyone safe at our church

Concerns: Ukraine situation. Individuals: Al Alexander; Bob Alexander (friend of Tim Bryan); Jimmy Andrews (brother of Tim Andrews); Missy Andrzejcak (sister of Bill Finney); Carol Barber; Calla Boggs; John Boggs; Lilah Boggs; Bev Brooks' in-laws in Ukraine; Janice Cagle; Penny & Rylee Cook (daughter & granddaughter of Glenn & Betty Hughes); Gerri Dee Crummett; Kathy Davis (mother-in-law of John Vannoy); Johnny Dillon; Dennis Drab (father of Jay Drab); Jenny Ellington; Ruth Gentry; Steve Hall (son-in-law of Louise Thompson); Mary Shellam Hill (friend of Linda Anthony); Bobby Koonts; Janette Lanier (sister of Theresa Sykes); Joanne Lomax; Josie MacKay (granddaughter of Tom & Janet MacKay); Johnny Morgan; James Ogle; Kaye Reeves (sister of Linda Anthony); Mark Sanders; Karen Scott (niece of Betty Hughes); Virgie Snyder; Monica Stewart; Lewis Swain; Gene Sykes; Kenneth Thompson (brother of John Thompson); Nancy Tulbert; Jane Vannoy; Jay Vannoy; Don Wachter (father of Micki Bryan); Marilyn White; Dianne Williams; Debbie Wishon (niece of Billie & Stewart McGuire); Doug (friend of Joyce Neilson); Marshall (friend of Carla Dry)

Those who are grieving: Cagle/Underwood family; Hyatt/Myers family

Home Friends (Members): Theresa Capps; Jennie Ellington; Phyllis Everhart (Buck); Ruth Gentry; Velva Kennedy; Joanne Lomax; John & Betty McGee; Marilyn White

Special Care Facilities: Betty Capps; Judy Graham; Roseanne Marion; Cornelia Motsinger; Sherwood & Ann Rettmann

Receiving treatment or recovering from cancer treatment: Al Alexander; Carol Barber; Gerri Dee Crummett; Morgan Hanks (nephew of Linda Anthony); Sandra Mendenhall (sister of Billie McGuire); Mark Sanders; Monica Stewart

Military: Nicholas "Nick" Bryan (son of Tim & Micki Bryan); Alex Cook (grandson of Glenn & Betty Hughes); Jake Duncan (son of Todd & Angie Weavil); Mason Hicks (son of Scott & Leigh Hicks); Shawn Hucks (relative of Tracy Powell); Toby Hughes (son of Glenn & Betty Hughes); Dan Lowery (nephew of Joe Lowery); Kaylen Mylee (daughter of Terry & Tina Inman); Dylan Rogers (nephew of Gale Sicard)

Children/Youth Ministry Info

- Nursery Care is provided during our 9:00am and 10:30am worship services for Infants through 4 years old
- Join us for Children's Church (5-years old & up) every Sunday during the 9:00am service or special Children's Message at the 10:30am service
- If you are interested in participating in a Bible Study for Middle/High School girls, contact Stacey Roop at Stacey.roop@ofumc.org. The study will be using "Defined: Who God Says You Are" by Priscilla Shirer.
- If you are interested in joining a Bible Study for Middle/High School boys, contact Ben Roop at ben.roop@ofumc.org
- If you are interested in volunteer opportunities in Children & Youth Ministry, contact Ben or Stacey Roop.
- Check us out on social media page for activity/event details, video lessons, resources, photos & more!

For info & updates of upcoming YOUTH Activities:

Sign up for our Youth text group for STUDENTS by texting @db9fec to the number 81010

Sign up for our Youth text group for PARENTS by texting @2347k4 to the number 81010

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November 27, 2022
First Sunday of Advent

9:00 am & 10:30 am
Worship

Welcome to Worship at Oak Forest United Methodist Church!

When Christians worship, we step into an alternative world. Liturgy and ritual, hymns and prayers invite us into another landscape. Jesus' words and the experience of his presence peel back the rhetoric that pummels our eardrums so that we are able to hear him say to us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

(John 14:27, NRSV)

9:00am Contemporary Service

Welcome & Announcements

Advent Reading

Leigh Anne Wilkinson & Gary Moore

Children's Church Dismissal

*Call to Worship

*Opening Songs

"Christmas Is Coming"

"Old Church Choir"

Praises and Prayer Concerns

Rev. Dwight Cartner

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Time of Offering

Song

"We Gather Together"

Scripture

John 8:2-11

Steve Joyce, Assoc. Lay Leader

Sermon

"What's Under This Rock?"

*Closing Song

"Here With Me"

Benediction

**All who are able, please stand*



Nursery facility and care available for infants through 4 years old.

Follow the posted signs or an usher at the back door will be happy to assist you.