

Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2023

THE BLESSING OF GATHERING

PRELUDE

*“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel/
Of the Father’s Love Begotten”*

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Make ready a pathway for our God.

Clean out the debris in our hearts and closets.

Clear out a space in our calendars.

Put aside any sense of unworthiness.

And focus on the One who comes to love us.

Prepare a place in our homes and hearts.

Set the tables and light the candles,

For Christ is coming. Let us be faithful.

*Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader*

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

*Hymn 148
All Verses*

***INVOCATION**

*Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader*

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader*

THE GIFT OF THE WORD

THE LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE

Phillip Treadway

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Rev. Edd Spencer

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:1-7 (NT page 58)

*Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader*

SERMON

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Rev. Edd Spencer

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

" O Little Town of Bethlehem"

*Hymn 144
All Verses*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayer cards are in the pews

Rev. Edd Spencer

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Edd Spencer

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader*

Offertory

*“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus/
Dona Nobis Pacem”*

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

*Doxology

*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.*

*Offertory Prayer

*Terry Nunnelly
Worship Leader*

THE GIFT FROM JESUS

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Rev. Edd Spencer

COMMUNION PRAYER

Conclude by praying together the Lord’s Prayer

*Carolyn Nunnelly
Elder*

THE COMMUNION

Our deacons will come by each pew to serve you.
Partake of the bread and hold the cup.

SHARING GOD’S LOVE WITH OTHERS

***HYMN OF DEDICATION**

“There’s a Song in the Air!”

*Hymn 159
Verses 1 & 2*

***BENEDICTION**

(Hold hands with the person near you.)

Rev. Edd Spencer

POSTLUDE

*“Rejoice, Rejoice!
Emmanuel”*

*Margaret Cox
Pianist*

*Congregation standing – as able or willing

Please join us in the Parlor for Coffee Fellowship after worship.

Life in the Valley

- Sunday, Dec 10 2nd Sunday of Advent
Christmas Offering
10:00am Elder Prayer Time
10:30am Worship (Sanctuary)
After worship, Coffee Fellowship (Parlor)
Beth Collier's Birthday
Peggi Zinser's Birthday
- Monday, Dec 11 6:00pm Embellishments Bell Choir Group (Yellow Room)
- Tuesday, Dec 12 6:30pm Bible Study Class on Zoom.
- Wednesday, Dec 13 11:15am Brown Bag Lunch and Worship (Parlor and Sanctuary)
6:30pm CPR Certification Group (Choir Room)
- Thursday, Dec 14 11:30am Men's Christmas Luncheon
- Saturday, Dec 16 10:00am CPR Certification Group (Choir Room)
- Sunday, Dec 17 3rd Sunday of Advent
Christmas Offering
10:30am Worship (Sanctuary)
Christmas Dinner following worship (Fellowship)

Christmas Eve Worship Sunday, December 24th

**10:30am Contemporary Christmas Worship in the Parlor
4:00pm Traditional Communion Candlelight Christmas Worship in the Sanctuary.**

Today's Servers

WORSHIP LEADER: Terry Nunnelly ELDER: Carolyn Nunnelly DEACONS/GREETER: Team
1 – Captain: Beth Collier Members: Terry Nunnelly, Jean Thrasher and John Gregory OPEN:
Pastor CLOSE: Stewart Draper COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Sara Simon