

# Celebration *of* Worship

The Ninth Day of December, Two Thousand Eighteen, Eleven O'clock  
\* Please stand unless standing is uncomfortable for you.

Choral Call to Worship – *Prophets of Old*

Welcome/Community Matters

Invocation

*\*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* ..... #176/Screen  
(Lighting of Advent Candles)

Scripture Readings- Isaiah 40:3-5; Luke 1:13-17; Mark 1:1-4

Prayer

Offertory  
*Waiting for Emmanuel*..... Choir

*\*Doxology* ..... #668  
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.  
*\*\*Children age 3 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade may leave for Children's Church  
held in Rooms 204 and 210- Snacks will be served\*\**

Scripture..... Luke 1  
(Pew Bible 781)

Message "He Rescues His People" ..... Jonathan Rockness  
Pastor

*\*Before the Throne of God Above*..... #448/Screen

**\*Benediction**

*\*Now Unto Him who is able to keep, able to keep you from falling  
And present you faultless before the presence of His glory and with exceeding joy,  
To the only wise God, our Savior, be glory and majesty,  
Dominion and power both now and forever. Amen.*

- If you need to pray with someone following our services because of a need you have or because the Lord has been at work in your heart during our worship service, Elders Wayne Stonestreet and Larry Mutter are available in Patterson Chapel after morning services. Also, feel free to call the church office (325-9121) during the week and ask to speak with a member of our ministry staff.
  - Parents are encouraged to use our nursery during the worship service located in Rooms 201/203 in the Children's Wing.
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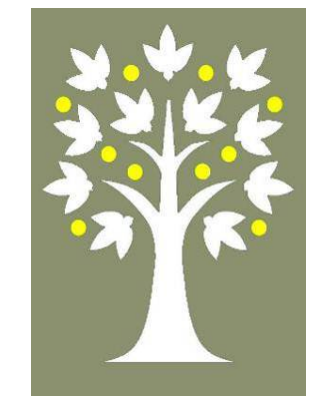
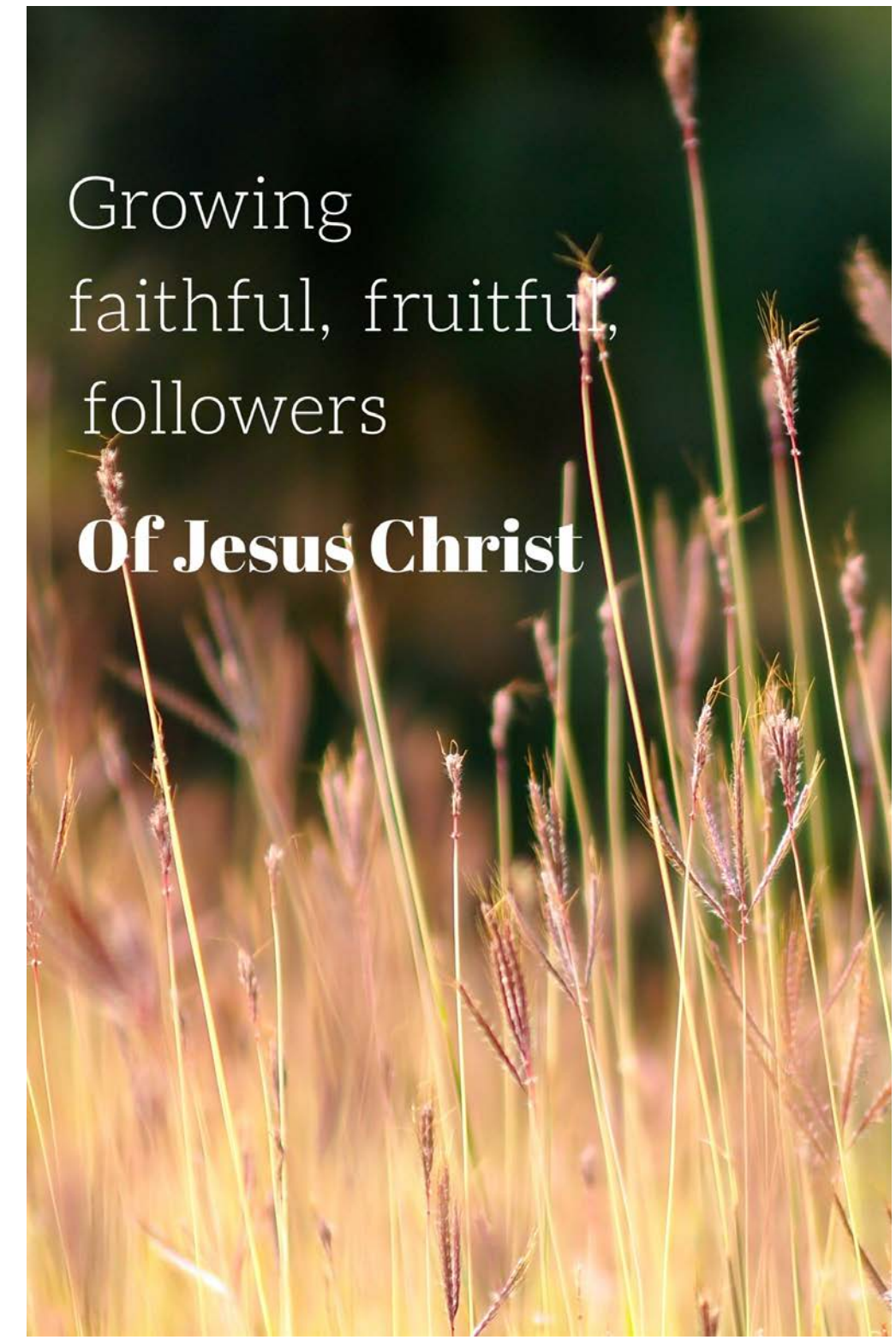


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# Advent at Westminster



## Prayer Requests and Continuing Needs

**Buzzy Rupp** – broken heel.

**Carolyn Scott**

**Nancy Rush**

**Steve Warf**

## World Outreach Update

2019 World Outreach budget is \$65,350. We have \$30,090 pledged so far. You still have time to turn in your pledge of support for 2019.

2018 World Outreach calendar year is still in need of **\$18,140** to pay all our missionaries through the end of this year.

## Financial Update December 2, 2018

General Budget YTD	Tithes/Offerings \$345,282	Expenses \$382,064	Difference <b>-\$36,782</b>
World Outreach YTD	Promised \$70,673	Received \$51,763	Difference <b>-\$18,910</b>

## Wish *them* a Happy Birthday

Burma McChesney ..... 12/09  
Dora Aylor..... 12/09  
Jane Pfau ..... 12/09

Abby Mitchell..... 12/11  
Kathryn Olive..... 12/12

## Welcome Guest

We're delighted you are worshipping with us today. The entire Westminster family is eager to greet you, answer any questions you may have, and minister to you in any way. After the service, please visit the Welcome Center to learn more about Westminster.

BE SURE TO JOIN US IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL EVERY SUNDAY MORNING FOR FROZEN COKE AND COFFEE AT 10:30 A.M.

### SUNDAY

12:00 p.m. Youth Luncheon..... Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. WSM High School..... The Shelter

### MONDAY

10:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Time..... Patterson Chapel  
6:00 p.m. Bells..... Choir Room  
7:00 p.m. God's Glory Girls..... Laura Rush's home

### TUESDAY

9:30 a.m. MOPS Steering..... Room 218  
6:00 p.m. O Taste and See..... Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. Finance..... Library  
6:30 p.m. Women In God..... Joanna Rockness' Home

### WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m. One Circle of Friends..... Janet Phipps's Home  
5:00 p.m. Before-Dinner Small Group..... Library  
5:45 p.m. WOW Dinner..... Fellowship Hall  
6:10 p.m. Heart Shapers..... Upstairs  
6:15 p.m. WSM Middle School..... The Shelter  
6:30 p.m. Adult Small Groups..... Various Locations  
7:30 p.m. Choir..... Choir Room  
7:45 p.m. Diaconate..... Room 218

### THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. Westminster Christmas Party..... Greene's home, 116 Oakhurst, Bluefield, WV

## Our Missions Prayer Focus This Week...



### Rob and Iris

**Ministry:** Translation, Recruitment for Frontiers and EPC WO, Oversight of Central Asia teams

**Location:** Massachusetts and Central Asia.

**Prayer:** The "Puk" Bible project to have the funding, people and focus to be completed. It will be a long journey.

## Opportunities for Ministry and Growth

### Sunday School Classes for Adults

- Vicki Mahood is teaching on Romans– Rm. 214.
- Men's Class is studying the Book of Matthew – Rm. 218
- Adult Elective - Andy Stanley video series. Ensemble Room (Ground floor) 9:45 am

### Sunday School Classes for Middle & High School Ages

- David Le Roy is teaching youth in the Shelter across the Street. Breakfast is served.

### Sunday School Classes for Children 5<sup>th</sup> Grade & Under

- All children's classes are located in the children's wing on the third floor.

## Open House at the Greene's

Everyone is invited to Brad and Lee-Anne Greene's home at 116 Oakhurst on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> between 6-9 pm. Bring your favorite appetizer or side dish to share and enjoy good food and drink with your church family.



## Married couples: Save the date for date night!

Need to plan a date night? How about an over-night? Want to learn about healthy habits that result in a God-honoring and joyful marriage?

Save the date for Friday evening Feb 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday morning/afternoon Feb 9<sup>th</sup>. Details to come soon!



## O TASTE AND SEE

will be Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. How to be a cheerful giver in a Grinch filled world. Quick and tasteful gifts to make and share.

RSVP by calling the Church at 304.325.9121



## W Menu: Reservations Appreciated

Egg Casserole

Sausage Gravy

Biscuits

Tomato Grits

Blueberry Buckle

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