## Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2023

Chiming of the Hour Carolyn Sandidge

Prelude "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child" Handbell Choir

Welcome & Invocation Rev. Dr. Jim Hunter

Mission Moment KJ Corbett

Invocation Dr. Hunter

Advent Wreath Litany "Christ, Be Our Light"

Leader: Advent is a time to bind up the broken hearted.

People: Come, Lord, and make all things new.

Leader: For past wrongs that prevent us from moving forward:

People: Come, Lord, and make all things new.
Leader: For any bitterness that scratches our soul:
People: Come, Lord, and make all things new.
Leader: For relationships left in decay and neglect:

People: Come, Lord, and make all things new.

Leader: For any action that has wounded us or by which we have wounded others:

People: Gra<mark>nt that we mi</mark>ght have the peace of Christ as we wait, the love of

Christ as we act, and the grace of Christ as we speak.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Stella Shouse

Hymn No: 88 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Anthem "The First Noel" Adult Choir

Children's Worship Dismissal Rev. Cheek

Hymn No: 101 "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"

Offertory Prayer Dr. Hunter

Offertory Anderson Lee, Harpist

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer Rev. Thompson

Solo "The Cradle in Bethlehem" Andrew Nelson

Sermon "The Big Picture" (John 1:1-14) Dr. Hunter

Instrumental Reflection Anderson Lee, Harpist

Commitment Hymn No: 103 "Away in a Manger"

Benediction Dr. Hunter

Postlude Carolyn Sandidge



## Christmas Eve Candles, Carols, & Communion Sunday, December 24 at 5:00 PM

This Week's Activities:		
Sun	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Study & Children's Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship / Fourth Sunday of Advent / Christmas Eve
	5:00 PM	Christmas Eve Carols, Candles & Communion
Mon		Merry Christmas! Church Office Closed
Wed	9:00 AM	Pete Fowler Men's Prayer meeting, Agape classroom
		All other church activities will not meet this week:
		Learning Center Christmas Break, resumes January 3rd
		Adult Choir rehearsal 6 PM (Ensembles, 5:15), resumes January 3rd
		Weekday Coffee Connection, resumes January 4th
		Youth Connect, resumes January 7th
		Children's Choir Rehearsal, resumes January 7th
		Women at the Well class, resumes January 9th
		TeamKID (Tuesday & Wednesday), resumes January 9th & 10th
		Handbell Choir rehearsal resumes January 9th
		Wednesday Women's Bible Study, resumes January 10th
		Wednesday Supper (by reservation, see below), resumes Jan 10th
		Wednesday Evening study, resumes January 10th
		Girls Bible Study, resumes January 10th
		Women's Bible Study Fellowship, resumes January 11th

Attendance week of 12/17/23: Worship-256 (kids - 10), Bible Study/SS-71 (kids - 14)

## No Supper December 27

Jim Hunter - Senior Pastor / John Thompson - Minister of Music Graham Cheek - Minister of Youth & Children / Jerry Haywood - Pastor Emeritus Beverly Holmes - Pianist / Carolyn Sandidge- Organist

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