

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

12/18/2022

Prelude of Praise

Welcome/Greeting

Worship

Message

Letting Go of Control

Isaiah 7:14, Luke 1:26-45

Time of Decision



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS & UPDATES
The church office will be closed from
Friday, December 23rd thru Monday, January 2nd.
We will re-open on Tuesday, January 3rd.

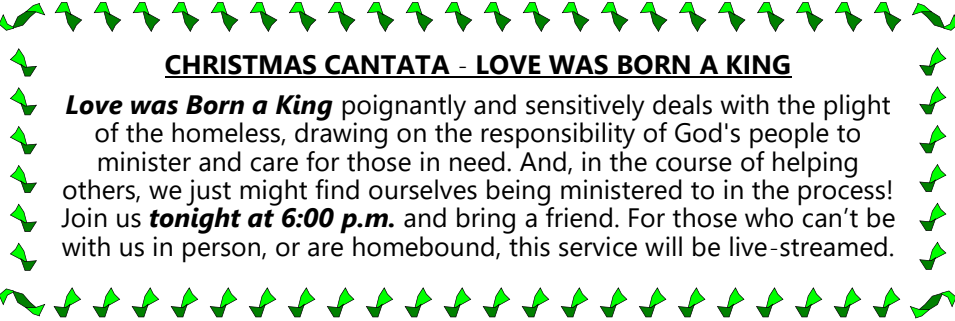
In order to give our dedicated volunteers and staff much-needed time with their families for the holiday, our Sunday morning worship service on December 25th will be ***online only***.
 Please join us using Facebook or YouTube on Sunday, December 25th at 10:15 am for our **Home For Christmas** service.

NOTES:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE drop your connection cards in the buckets on your way out of the Sanctuary.



CHRISTMAS CANTATA - LOVE WAS BORN A KING

Love was Born a King poignantly and sensitively deals with the plight of the homeless, drawing on the responsibility of God's people to minister and care for those in need. And, in the course of helping others, we just might find ourselves being ministered to in the process! Join us **tonight at 6:00 p.m.** and bring a friend. For those who can't be with us in person, or are homebound, this service will be live-streamed.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE | 12/20

There will be a blood drive on Tuesday, December 20th from 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm, in the Family Life Center. There's currently an urgent need for blood donors of all blood types. Our annual Christmas blood drive helps ensure that blood products are readily available for patients in need at a time when the need is critical. Please visit www.redcross.org to make an appointment to donate.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE | 12/24

Join us in the Worship Center on Christmas Eve at 6:00 pm for a special candlelight service and observance of the Lord's Supper. A benevolence offering will be taken. Nursery provided for birth to 2 years old only.

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your year-end financial contributions may be given any time in December. Mailed or online financial contributions must be postmarked or given online through our website on or before Saturday, 12/31/2022, to be included with your 2022 contributions. You may give online at: <https://mconnellchurch.org/give/>.

2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES

There may be delays in printing of the offering envelopes again this year. We'll keep you posted on this. If the offering envelopes are not available by January 1st, we will have blank offering envelopes available at the Welcome Center.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

We will continue to collect Lottie Moon donations thru the month of December. Pick up your prayer guide at the Worship Center and your offering envelopes in the pew pockets.
Our 2022 goal is \$35,000.

NEW! BOOK STUDY | 1/19

A new book study, *Escape the Coming Night* (The Book of Revelation) by Dr. David Jeremiah is coming in January! This study, facilitated by Ed Dearborn, will meet on Thursdays, beginning on January 19, 2023, from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm in the Choir Suite LL-042. This class is open to co-ed adults & teens. Call or text Ed at (863) 610-8155 or email wyrfr.mr.ed@gmail.com. **Deadline is January 8th.**

Weekly Activities 12/18 - 12/24

SUNDAY 12/18/22	8:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Band Rehearsal Deacon Huddle, Conference Room Library Open (also before and after services) Sunday School for ALL ages/Nursery Available PEAK Kids Worship Morning Worship Service Christmas Cantata, Worship Center
MONDAY 12/19/22	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Prayer for the Country, #219-FLC Prayer for Moral/Civic Concerns, #219-FLC
TUESDAY 12/20/22	7:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Mary's Southern Grill Churchwide Prayer Group, #026-LL Hope Room Clothes Closet, Open to public Red Cross Blood Drive, FLC Caroling at Brasstown Manor, Meet at Brasstown
WEDNESDAY 12/21/22	10:00 am - Noon	Library Open No evening service/activities
THURSDAY 12/22/22	1:00 - 3:00 p.m..	Hope Room Clothes Closet, Open to Public
FRIDAY 12/23/2022	Closed	Church office Closed
SATURDAY 12/24/2022	6:00 pm.	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Lord's Supper & Benevolence Offering, Worship Center



Pastoral Staff

Lead Pastor - Rev. Steven Taylor

Associate Pastor - Rev. Danny Byers

Associate Pastor/Children & Discipleship - Rev. Steve Awtrey

Associate Pastor of Students/Young Adults - Rev. Jeremy Pearson

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12/11/2022	Budget		Moving Mountains	
	Weekly	YTD	Weekly	Since last pmt.
Required	\$27,535.19	\$1,376,759.50	\$7,286.43	\$14,572.86
				To Date
Received	\$23,343.00	\$1,571,534.11	\$8,976.00	\$526,795.70
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering to Date: \$20,505.00				

Travel Light



ADVENT SERIES

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