

## **Barnum Community United Methodist Church**

*“Our mission is to give of ourselves  
so others may know Jesus Christ”*

December 23, 2018

### **Prelude**

### **Lighting of the Joy Advent Candle**

**Gathering Hymn**      “O Come, All Ye Faithful”      MH234  
refrain 3x

“O, come let us adore Him...”, “We’ll give Him all the Glory...”,  
“We’ll praise His Name forever....”

### **Welcome, Greetings and Special Announcements**

### **Ministry of Congregational Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer**

### **Hymns of Praise and Worship**

“What Child Is This”      MH219

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”      CH279

“There’s a Song in the Air”      MH249  
v1,3,4

### **Giving of Our Gifts of Gratefulness to Our Generous Father**

Offertory

Doxology

### **Children’s Ministry Moment**

**Songs of the Season**      “I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day”      CH267

“God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman”      Cov132

**Reading of Scripture**      Isaiah 9:1-7      Page 1072

**Ministry of Music**      “Cherish That Beautiful Name”      Bruce Hasset

**Message from the Word**      “Now We Know”      Pastor Kendall

**Sending Words**      “Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”      CH292  
v1,4,5

### **Postlude**

**WELCOME!** We are glad you’re here!

- Nursery is provided during the worship service for little ones age birth-3 years old.
- The Gospel Project Children’s Church for children Kindergarten-6<sup>th</sup> grade are dismissed following the Children’s Ministry Moment.
- If you are a first time visitor please pick up a complimentary cookie mix from the table in the narthex.
- Join us for coffee, treats, and fellowship following the worship service.



For your convenience, prayer request cards are located on the table in the narthex. It is suggested that your prayer request be written and given to an usher or directly to Mary Alice (our prayer leader) prior to the worship service. If you wish your prayer request to be directed to Tuesday’s Prayer Group, you can place your request in the Chapel Prayer Box located in the narthex.



### **Calendar of Events for the Week**

Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>      9:20 am - Worship Service  
Children’s Church  
11:00 am - Adult Study Class

Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>      5:30 pm - Christmas Eve  
Cookies & Cider

Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>      **Office Closed**

Wednesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>      **No Meal or Activities**

Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup>      9:20 am - Worship Service  
Children’s Church  
11:00 am - Adult Study Class

**Christmas Services**  
Barnum Community Church  
In the heart of downtown Barnum  
Christmas Eve ~ 5:30 p.m.  
Candlelight Service

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**This Advent Season** we will be thinking together about what's under the tree. Each Sunday of Advent we will go "Under The Tree" and see if there is something with your name on it.

**Christmas Eve Service:** Following the Christmas Eve Service at 5:30 p.m. Cookies and Cider will be served. Looking for donations of a couple dozen cookies. For questions, contact Kay at 389-6661. Sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

**Newsletter:** Deadline for the January newsletter will be 12/26/18.

**Book Club:** The group has decided not to meet again until after the holidays, so the next meeting will be January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019. At the January meeting we will be discussing chapter 8 of Martin Luther by Eric Metaxas. We are a small group and would like to be larger so consider joining us.

**Women's Weekly Bible Study:** We will be beginning a new study on January 9th. Priscilla Shirer has written "*Breathe*" a study focusing on the importance of giving God the place He deserves in our busy schedules. Please plan to join us for this 9 week study.

**Women's Day Retreat:** Join us for Cozy Mountain Lodge Retreat on Saturday, February 9th. This will be a time to relax, make new friends, worship and draw closer to God. We start at 8:30 am. with a light breakfast and finish by 4:00 pm. The cost is only \$25.00 for the day. Invite a friend to come enjoy the day with you.

**Lost and Found:** We have collected a number of items that have been left behind. Look for yours today in the Lost and Found basket.

**Food Shelf:** The Food Shelf is available to anyone in need. Please help yourself.



Great Christmas Gift idea! Consider gifting the Cozy Mountain Lodge Retreat to your wife, mother, grandmother or friend. You can purchase a gift card today at the Women's Ministry table or call the church office 389-6876 and stop by to pick one up on Monday.

## SERMON NOTES

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