May Memorial

Baptist Church

December 16, 2018

The Third Sunday of Advent

*I am a rose of Sharon, a lily of the valleys.*

Song of Songs 2:1

This is the House of God, All Are Welcome!

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***THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TO WORSHIP***

Prelude Candi Sheppard, flute

 ***I Wonder as I Wander***  Appalachian Carol, arr. Jack Schrader

The Church at Work Michael Edwards

 Welcome

 Announcements

Choral IntroitPREPARE THE WAY

 ***Prepare the Way of the Lord*** J. Berthier & Community of Taize

Call to Worship Isaiah 11:1-6, 8-9 Anna Edwards and Kayla Tibbs

Choir Procession PERSONENT HODIE

 ***On This Day Earth Shall Ring***14th Century German

Michael Edwards, soloist

Invocation Ashley Edwards

 \* Carol of Praise No. 94 REGENT SQUARE

 ***Angels, from the Realms of Glory***  Henry T. Smart

Theme Interpretation Ashley Edwards

Lighting of the Advent Candle of Joy Chris and Beth Goodwyn

 Congregational Carol CRADLE SONG

Congregational Prayer

Response Anna Edwards and Kayla Tibbs

Prayers of the People

 Call to Prayer No. 80 PICARDY

 ***Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence***(St. 1) Traditional French Carol

 Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer Michael Edwards

 Response No. 82 McGEE

 ***Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel,***

 ***God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel. Amen.***

\* Passing of the Peace Michael Edwards

 May the peace of the Lord be with you.

 **And also with you**.

Hebrew Scripture Reading Ashley Edwards

 ***Isaiah 40:1-5, 9***

 ***THE COMMUNITY PROCLAIMS AND HEARS GOD’S WORD***

 \* Carol No. 86 ST. LOUIS

 ***O Little Town of Bethlehem*** L. H. Redner

AnthemGREENSLEEVES

***What Child Is This?*** Traditional English Melody

Candi Sheppard, flute

Carol No. 106 W. ZLOBIE LEZY

 ***Infant Holy, Infant Lowly***  Polish Carol

Anthem from Luke 2:14-15

 ***Song of the Shepherds*** L. Larson

Gospel Reading Ashley Edwards

 ***Luke 3:7-18***

Reading Anna Edwards and Kayla Tibbs

Anthem ES IST EIN ROS’

 ***Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming*** *Geistliche Kirchengesaeng*, 1599

\* Carol No. 100 GLORIA

 ***Angels We Have Heard on High*** Traditional French Carol

Anthem Adult Choir

 ***Star of the East*** C. Curry

***THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS TO GOD’S WORD***

\* Stewardship Carol No. 109 GARTEN

 ***Love Came Down at Christmas*** Traditional Irish Melody

Worship in Stewardship

 Offertory Prayer Carol Williams

 Offertory Adult Choir

***What Gift Can I Bring?*** Miller & Reynolds

Candi Sheppard & Dawana Sheppard, handbells

 \* Doxology No. 253 OLD 100TH (Altered)

Thanksgiving Duet Anna Maples Dombo & Joan Maples

 ***He Shall Feed His Flock*** G. F. Handel

Reading Anna Edwards and Kayla Tibbs

Benediction Anthem Adult Choir

 ***Children of Light*** Pepper Choplin

Candi Sheppard, flute

\* Congregational Benediction Michael Edwards

\* Congregational Response

Organ Celebration Donald Traser

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***MAY MEMORIAL BAPTIST ADULT CHOIR***

*Sopranos*

Judy Boelt

Lynne Bradbury

Gwen Hagen

Vicki Kruschwitz

Karen Utt

*Altos*

Juli Garrett

Amy Karnolt

Diana Schmitz

Sandy Shelton

Dawana Sheppard

*Tenors*

Gabe Cosby

Billy Kruschwitz

Bob Kruschwitz

Ed Utt

*Basses*

Doug Bradbury

Michael Edwards

Bill Karnolt

**Advent Blessing**

*O God our Creator, who changes everything, change and renew us with hope, peace, joy, and love this season and always. May the worship and reflection we have shared refresh and enrich us for the living of these days. To God be the glory, Amen!*

**Announcements:**

Trip to Bolling Haxall House~rescheduled for Wednesday. Carpool meets at 10 at the church.

If you need a refund contact Linda Pulliam at the church office.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – December 24 at 5:00 p.m.

Phoenix Class and Rachael Circle Christmas Party - December 28 at 6:00 p.m., at the home of Bob and Rebecca Cox. Please bring your spouse or significant other. The invitation is also open to those seeking a Sunday School class. Attendees are asked to bring an horderves and a gift that is under $10.00 for a lively gift exchange.

May Memorial is grateful for the poinsettias which lend beauty and inspiration to our service at this joyous time. They are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory or honor of the following persons:

**In Loving Memory Of: Given By:**

John Edmund Burruss Pete and Betty Jane Burruss

Brant B. Cover with love - Pat

Our Parents Gary and Sandra Cowles

Margaret Baughan Constance and David Deal

Rev. James A. & Faye Evans Constance and David Deal

Gail DeNoon Snead DeNoon

Gail DeNoon Wilson and Cindy DeNoon, Tammy &

 Brian Leddy, Charlie and Regina Hite

Nana DeNoon Christopher, Courtney, James, Avalon

 and Margaret Gail

P.L. and Betty Jane Duncan Lee and Paula Duncan

Janice Hagen Mitchell Lee and Paula Duncan

Carter Eike Nina and John Eike

Carlton and Rachel Elam Nick and Debbie Elam

Walter B. Davis, Jr. Nick and Debbie Elam

Gerald L. and Eva Mae Hagen, Sr. Gerald and Gwen Hagen, Jr.

Horace T. & Norma Lucas Gerald and Gwen Hagen, Jr.

Kenneth C. Hagen Gerald and Gwen Hagen, Jr.

Janice Hagen Mitchell Gwendolyn Eva Mitchell

Paulina Dew Deborah Howard

Florence James Deborah Howard

Shari Lynne Krueger Gene and Jeanan Krueger

Our Parents Paul and Jackie Lindsey

Watt Flippo, Sr. The Sanudo Family

Joyce Maxey The Sanudo Family

Our Parents Martha and Lester Oberg

Our Family Members in Heaven Diana and B.J. Smith

Harold B. Stephens and Bufford Stephens, Jr. Shirley Stephens

Our Parents Irvin and Carol Williams

Raleigh and Dorothy Willis Jimmy Willis

Betty Jane and P.L. Duncan Jimmy Willis

Kara Ann Bass Bob and Nancy Wood

Dr. Trisha Morgan Bob and Nancy Wood

Elizabeth Talmadge Bob and Nancy Wood

William C. Wood Bob and Nancy Wood

**In Honor Of**

Estelle A. Davis Debbie and Nick Elam

Ashley Edwards, Minister to Children and Youth, Michael K. Edwards, Pastor

Joan B. Maples, Minister of Music, Donald Traser, Accompanist/Organist