

Mims United Methodist Church

***“Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
For the Transformation of the World.”***

December 15/16, 2018



Third Sunday *of* Advent

Advent Sermon Series

“The Spirit of Christmas: Present”

Scripture: Galatians 4:4-7; Ephesians 3:14-19



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Rev. John Gill, Pastor

Welcome, Guests!

- ◆ We are happy you are worshiping with us! Help us get to know you by completing the Mims Connect Card in your bulletin (place it in the offering plate). You are always welcome here!
- ◆ If you have small children, they are welcome to stay in the service. We are glad to provide child-care for infants and toddlers, by request. Speak to an usher.
- ◆ Communion, available every Saturday evening and the first Sundays of the month at Sunday morning services, is open to all those who wish to receive, regardless of membership.
- ◆ Our sanctuary is historic, so originally we had an outhouse! Thankfully, restrooms are now accessible by exiting the main doors of the sanctuary, following the sidewalk to the right (west) around the building and through the side door. Another set of restrooms is available in the Fellowship Hall, at the north end of the building.
- ◆ If you have no local church home, we would love for you to consider joining our congregation, either as a full or affiliate (seasonal) member. To unite with our church, indicate this on your "Let's Connect" card, or contact Pastor John through the church office or his cell (321-794-0010).

Congregational Announcements

Our Advent Sermon Series: The Gospel According to Scrooge

During Advent, we prepare ourselves to welcome again God's gift of His Son. During these weeks, Pastor John is preaching a sermon series called, "The Spirit of Christmas", based on Charles Dickens' novel, *A Christmas Carol*. This holiday classic echoes the witness of the Scriptures. We will consider "The Spirit of Christmas" - Foretold, Past, Present, and Future. Then, on Christmas Eve, we will turn our "Humbugs" into "Hallelujahs"! Plan to be at worship every week!

Potato Bar and Christmas Caroling

Be here on Tuesday, December 18, at 6:00 p.m., for a potato bar dinner, followed by caroling in Fellowship Hall.

Christmas Eve Services

We will have a "Family Friendly" Service at 3:00 p.m., and a Candlelight Service at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, December 24. Invite family and friends!

Next Pastor's Study

Beginning Monday, January 7, Pastor John will lead an eight-week study on "Christianity's Family Tree". Each week, we will look at various Christian traditions: Orthodox, Catholic, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Anglican, Baptist, Pentecostal, and Methodist. Come learn about our sisters and brothers in the faith. We will offer two session options: 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

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Congratulations!

The rosebud on the altar is in honor of the birth of Kaia Raine Golembewiske. Terri and Bill Touchton are the proud grandparents; Herb and Delorse Cohen are the proud great-grandparents!

Upcoming Meetings

The Family Life Committee, and the Kitchen Committee will meet on Tuesday, December 18, at 4:30 p.m.

From the Food Pantry

We are providing Christmas baskets to families at Pinewood Elementary, and Mims Elementary Schools. We are asking for donations of baked goods for the baskets, which will be distributed on Friday, December 21. Please let Sharon Griffis (321-537-2638) know if you can assist with this. Thanks!

“Church Family” Christmas Card Tree

There is a tree available in the back of the Sanctuary to send your Christmas greetings to your church family.

Wednesday Night Suppers

Due to the holidays, there will be no Suppers until January 9, 2019.

Just a Reminder

If you have performed at least one hour of service in our church, for a neighbor, or in the community, please place a “Salty Servant” card in the offering plate.

Fellowship Time

Join us in Fellowship Hall from 8:30 to 10:50 a.m. for coffee, treats, and fellowship.

Food Pantry Needs

Small jars of peanut butter.

Miles of Change

Our Miles of Change Jar is located in the back of the Sanctuary, with all proceeds going towards our Children’s Ministry. Thanks to all who give so generously!

Happy Birthday Wishes!

12/20-Bailey Barnes; 12/20-Cathy DeRusha; 12/20-Sue Rismiller; 12/21-Joe Stephenson; 12/23-Nancy Evans

Church Activities This Week

Monday, December 17

10:00 a.m. Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

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Tuesday, December 18

8:00 a.m. Prayer Group

4:30 p.m. Family Life & Kitchen Meeting

6:30 p.m. Potato Bar & Caroling

7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting (Hope Cottage)

Wednesday, December 19

8:30 a.m. Clothes Closet (Hope Cottage)

~~5:00 p.m. Supper~~

5:45 p.m. Bells

~~6:30 p.m. Choir Practice~~

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Friday, December 21

Office Closed

Saturday, December 22

7:00 p.m. Communion Service

Sunday, December 23

8:30 a.m. Praise Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

Property Acquisition	
Needed	\$225,000.00
Collected	\$191,731.25

Our Faithfulness	12/09/2018
Worship Attendance	143
Sunday School	16
Needed Weekly	\$4,557.00
Collected Last Week	\$4,084.26
Needed to Date	\$214,179.00
Collected to Date	\$204,874.46

Pastor: John Gill

Ministers at Large: Congregation

Choir Director: Roy Carter

Pianists: Lorraine Karel, Linda Nash,
Frances Newton, Tom Sumwalt

Prayer List

(Submit on Mims Connect Card, call the office to update)

Members, Family, Friends: Bob & Donna Ache, Candi Adamick, Scott Alsobrook, Richard & Glenna Ammons, Jack Aniello, Jay Ash, Richard & Jody Baldwin, Michele Barrett, Jack & Mary Bashlor, John & Brenda Baxter, Mickey Belsom, Marie Bennett, Sue Bevins, Kim Blankenship, Michael Bramble, Cindy Bremmer, Rick Briggs, Lois Brown, Doug & Arlene Chamberlain, Marshall & Judith Chambers, Ryan Chambers, Glenn Colbetzer, Jim Deck, Cedric Demeritt, Cathy DeRusha, Joanne Devine, Dylan Dobbs, Family of Sandy Drake, Janet Elmore, Edwin Everett, Margaret Faulkner, Deb Fiebach, Carol Gatchell, Steve Greninger, Daniel Haddad, Hagan Family, David Harris, Sally Henderson, Bobby Hoffman, Holley Family, Cathy Hudson, Kathie Human, Megan Isaac, Shaina Isbell, Roger Jaimeyfield, Yvonne & Anthony Janisse, Family of Karen Jaynes, Joan Johnston, Walt & Eileen Kalinowski, Lorraine Karel, Michael Katrick, Mary Kobilis, Marie Kuzniewski, Robert Lang, Nancy Layne, Marian Lerner, Sharon Leclair, Aubrey Little, Tony Lloyd, Nancy Love, Theone Mansfield, Annette & Buddy Martin, Liza Martinez, Jimmy McCoskey, Dan & Christine McInerney, George Neven, Henry Nore, Becky Peterson, Pat Pfaff, Blanche Porter, Family of Jimmy Pritt, Maddy Rhodes, Gary Ridenour, Sheryl Rismiller, Rock/Mayo Family, Jackie Rutherford, Bill Sherman, Glen Sherman, Catherine Simkins, Bill Sleeman, Bill Slover, Joe & Vicki Stephenson, Brad Stevens, Gary Stoner, Lynn Thweatt, Denise Tomlinson, Janice & Terry Turner, Vicki Umbreit, Enid Watson, Claire Wegelin, Family of Sara Willis, Billy Wilson, Virginia Wise, Dennis Wood, Nancy Wood, Pat Young, Ron Zielensky.

Our Nation and Its Leaders, Our Service Men and Women, and First Responders (List available in the church office).

Addington Place: Norma Ouellette

Brookdale: Blanche Porter, Patsy Watson

Royal Oaks: George Neven