

We thank the following for their service during our worship service:

	8:45	11:00
Liturgist:	JoAnn Barbour	
Lay Reader:	Gary Harris	David Hedgecock
Acolytes:	Thomas Joyner	Robert Henry and Anna Thomas
Crucifer:	William Joyner	Cale Presley

WELCOME! We're glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Following the 11:00 service, there is a gathering in the Heritage Center for fellowship and refreshments. Please join us. Our hosts this week are Trisha and Adam Craig.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of our parents, children, and grandchildren by Gene and Joanne Scarborough.

MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD serving in December Mary Ellen Cross, Susan Black, Helen Ellington, Sarah Folckomer, and Beth Kelley.

THE PRAYER REQUEST CARDS in the pews may be placed in the offering or in the Prayer Request Boxes in the reading area and the narthex area, or you may email the Prayer Ministry Team at prayer@frontstreetumc.org. We thank team member Kathy Cecil, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the Prayer Request Cards.

A FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Join the Chancel Choir and Epworth Ringers on **Sunday, December 17** at **10:45 a.m.** for our annual service of Lessons and Carols. There will be a contemporary worship service in Aldersgate Hall at 9:00 a.m. **PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO 8:45 a.m. worship service.**

TREES OF LOVE

Thank you to everyone who has adorned our Trees of Love to share Christ with our neighbors this season. It's not too late to participate—please return all items (unwrapped) to the trees by **December 17**. **NOTE: If you are donating money, please return the envelopes to the church office.**

CHRIST OFFERING

On **Sunday, December 17**, a special Christ Offering will be taken. This offering assures that we not only meet our obligations for the year, but that we testify to the light, which is Jesus Christ our Lord. Offering envelopes will be provided in the pew slots for your gift.

OPEN ARMS AT AZALEA MHP/COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP

Our next gathering at Azalea MHP will be on **Saturday, December 16** from **2:00-4:00 p.m.** This month we will have Christmas activities and the Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration. Come and experience the joy of cross-cultural connection and meeting Jesus in our Latino/a brothers and sisters. Please meet at FSUMC at 1:15 p.m. to carpool.

CHRISTMAS EVE LUNCH

Following the **11 a.m. worship service on Christmas Eve**, a spaghetti lunch will be served to our neighbors from Allied Churches of Alamance County (ACAC). All are invited and encouraged to remain after the 11 a.m. service to serve and dine with our neighbors from ACAC.

Volunteers are needed to:

- Make meat spaghetti sauce (enough for 4-6 people) in advance. Please deposit your sauce in the freezer in the kitchen (labeled Christmas Eve Sauce).
- Help set up, serve, and clean up.

To volunteer, please sign up by visiting www.frontstreetumc.org or contact Patrick at patrick@frontstreetumc.org.

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 10, 2017

Sunday, December 10

8:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:00	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:15	Youth Missions Interest Meeting	Room 301
12:30	Keepsake Christmas	4th Floor
6:00	UMYF	Ministry Center

Tuesday, December 12

9:30	Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study	Room 305
6:15	Epworth Ringers	Bell Room
7:00	Circle #5 Meeting	Heritage Center

Wednesday, December 13

7:30	UMYF Breakfast Club	Dr. Cecil's Office 1711 Sykes St.
7:00	Advent Study	John Wesley Room
7:00	SPRC Meeting	Room 301
7:00	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

Saturday, December 16

2:00	Azalea MHP Community Fellowship	Azalea MHP
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Sunday, December 17

9:00	Contemporary Worship Service	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
10:45	Worship Service	Sanctuary
6:00	UMYF	Ministry Center

YOUTH OUTREACH PROJECT SUNDAY

The third Sunday of each month is designated as Youth Outreach Project Sunday. A list of items we are collecting for this project is available on the church website, or pick up a list from the Welcome Center. Please bring items on **Sunday, December 17**, and deposit them on the table in the Welcome Center. To learn more about this project, visit www.frontstreetumc.org. Thank you for your continuous support of this youth project.

WORSHIP SERVICES DECEMBER 24 AND 31

There will be a combined worship service at **11:00 a.m.** only on **December 24 and December 31**. No Sunday School for children or youth.

OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Church Office will be closed on **December 25, 26**, and **27** for Christmas and **January 1** for New Year's Day. Merry Christmas and happy New Year!

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes are now available for pick up outside the church office. **PLEASE pick yours up before December 31**. This will help in reducing our mailing costs. Thank you.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The **2018** flower calendar is now on the bulletin board in the Welcome Center. If you are interested in placing flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one, please write your name on the Sunday you wish to put flowers in the church. For more information, please contact Linda Paul at 336-543-5081 (cell) or kpaul5@triad.rr.com (email).

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Our Mission:

Knowing Christ • Growing in Christ • Sharing Christ



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