

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2020**

9:00am Gathering Songs and Slide Announcements

9:30am Worship

#### **GATHERING**

Welcome – Ben Fike

God Who Comes to Save

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Opening Prayer – Paul Watson

#### **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

Luke 1:46-55 – Emeley Sanchez Sermon – Ben Fike "Mary Has a Song"

#### THE TABLE OF THE LORD

The Light Shines in the Darkness

Communion Meditation – Emily Kochetkova

Taking of the Bread and Fruit of the Vine

Magnificat

Prayer, Concerns, Announcements – Neil Clay

#### **SENDING**

A New Hallelujah Benediction – Ben Fike

Song Selection – Charles Holton

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Coming Up**

Sunday, December 6
9:30am Worship via Zoom, followed by a COVID-19 Town Hall via Zoom
4:00pm Talent Show via Zoom

Monday, December 7
5:00pm Senior Saints via Zoom

Wednesday, December 9
6:15pm Care Groups via Zoom

7pm Youth Meeting via Zoom

Saturday, December 12
5:30-7:30pm Christmas Story Walk

**COVID-19 Town Hall** Stay connected to Zoom after worship this Sunday to hear from CMR medical professionals as to how we can continue to do our best to live faithfully in these pandemic conditions. Thank you to our panelists Nathan Gray, Caroline Smith, Meena Gettings, and Bethany Gray!

**Talent Show** All are invited to participate and/or view this fun Zoom experience this Sunday from 4-6pm. The primary players in this event will be youth students, but any and all submissions are welcome! Submissions must be submitted to <a href="Chelsea Flow">Chelsea Flow</a> today/Friday. See Chelsea's email from November 30 for more info. Here's the Zoom link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82294313135">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82294313135</a>

Senior Saints will meet via Zoom on Monday, December 7, at 5pm.

Christmas Story Walk One week away on Saturday, December 12, "floating" from 5:30-7:30pm in the church parking lot. Invite your neighbors and friends. We will hear the Christmas story through various multimedia story-stations that prayerfully and thoughtfully allow us to receive and respond to the good news of Jesus' birth. We need scripture reader volunteers to record a video, and we also need Christmas decorations and lights (especially white lights), projectors, and extension cords (contact John Beyer if you can help with any of those requests). We're asking CMR members to sign up for staggered arrival times on our website to prevent any congestion and help with social distancing.

MCC Meeting Sunday, December 13, 1pm via Zoom.

**Thank You** Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, and the beautiful green plant (love the pink butterfly). Your friendships warm my heart and the memories of each of you warm my heart! Your expressions of sympathy will always be treasured. Love, Mae McPherson

**Season of Advent through December 24** Our theme for Advent this year is "Do Not Be Afraid!" (Luke 1-2). As we prepare our hearts and lives to receive the good news of Christ's birth, we have an Advent Home Devotional Guide for those who are interested. If you would like a guide that includes activities for children, please <a href="mailto:email Sharon Hilliard">email Sharon Hilliard</a>, and/or if you would like a guide for all ages, please <a href="mailto:email Ben Fike">email Ben Fike</a>.

McMillan Baby Shower Elizabeth and Charlie are expecting a son due February 3! All are welcome to their virtual shower on January 9 at 2pm via Zoom, planned by CG3. If you would like to contribute toward a group gift, please give money to Pam by December 21. Individual gifts may be dropped off at the church office to Pam. They are registered at Target and Amazon.

**Covenant Renewal** Thanks to everyone who has completed their survey form! Here are the links to the online forms for those who still need to complete their survey: <u>Covenant Renewal form</u> (each adult and youth should complete a separate form) and <u>Contribution Planning form</u> (one per household).

**Wednesday Prayer Group** A group of CMR members is praying together weekly to fight against racism. On *Tuesday* we receive scriptures for meditation via e-mail. On *Wednesday* we pray at 1pm via Zoom. On *Thursday* we fast from 6am-6pm. If you would like to join this effort or more information, please contact Evelyn Cameron.

**Elder-on-Call This Week (Sunday-Saturday)** Contact Neil Clay with any concerns, needs for prayer, or any other way he can be a source of support and pastoral care.

**Giving** You can give <u>online</u>, use automatic bank draft, or mail a check to 1617 Cole Mill Road, Durham, NC 27705.

Contribution from November 29: \$8,383

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Monday: Stuart Doyle, Alan Hilliard

Wednesday: Bob Jones Thursday: Janice Massey

Saturday: Carrie Doyle, Deloris Ransom