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Hello Friends of UCOM,

Blessings to you during this first week of Advent, focusing on HOPE.

UCOM carries the hope of our neighbors in need with us. We listen to their stories and work together to help them realize stability and embrace the excitement and drive that hope gives us.

We had a person walk into our Emergency Service Center today weary, and with very little hope. He expressed the feeling of being beat down and had given up the idea of looking beyond struggling for just one more week at a motel. He is a single father of two teenage girls, now home-schooled because of the uncertainty of where they will live next week and unreliable transportation to school because of the constant moving.

In just one 20 minute conversation:

- We connected him to resources at the school board for his daughters getting back into school
- on the waiting list for affordable housing - an appointment to review his food stamp status
- and a job interview on Thursday. - He also walked away with food for the week.

He is coming back next week for more food (one less expense so he can save for housing deposit), and to let me know how his interview went. I can't wait to hear what this season of hope brings his way. Because there are plans for this man and his family, plans to help them prosper and thrive. UCOM, with the assistance of you and your congregation, work the divine plan to bring hope and encouragement to our neighbors in need.

All of us working together creates a large picture of hope and cohesion so no one is alone and without hope for long.

Thank you for all you do to support the programs of UCOM.

A few of our immediate needs are listed inside the bulletin:

Hopeful cheers,

Sara Mitchell, Executive Director



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Morning Worship on The Lord's Day
Second Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2019 – 10:30AM

Gathering – Prelude

Announcements & Greeting

the Rev. Barry Andrews

Advent Out Loud: *“Peace on the Overpass”*

Lighting of the Candle: *Peace*

Hymn of Praise: *O Come, O Come Emmanuel (vss 1,2,5)* 211

Invocation:

Act of Praise: *Psalms 72: 1-17* 795

Scripture Lesson:
Isaiah 11: 1-10
Romans 15: 4-13
St. Matthew 3: 1-12

Sermon: the Rev. Barry Andrews

Hymn of Faith: *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear* 218

Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostle's Creed* 881

Gloria Patri: *Glory Be to the Father* 70

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings:

Offering Prayer: Frank Davis

Offertory: *Angel Carol* the Wesley Choir
arr. by Anna Laura Page

Doxology: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* 94

Prayer Song: *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* 216

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

Benediction:

Hymn of Dedication: *Hark, the Herald Angels Sing* 240

Welcome to Faith United Methodist Church!

We are so glad that you have joined us this morning. For those new or returning to the church, welcome home. God calls us all to Himself, and it's our conviction – we're here to prove it – that spiritually, Christianity is most fully lived out in the congregation of God's people. You figured out we're not all together, but we're working on this journey of faith and we are glad you have come along with us for the ride.

Preview of upcoming events:

Dec. 14 - Saturday - Ring Bells at Publix – see Sign-up sheet
 Dec. 15 - Sunday - Lessons & Carols at 1:30 PM
 Dec. 22 - Christmas Pot Luck @ 11:30 AM
 Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 PM

**Stewardship Week of
 December 1, 2019**

General Fund	\$4,600.00
Sunday School	17.00
UCOM	310.00
Missionaries	100.00
Facilities Imp.	50.00
Pastor's Disc. Fund	25.00
Poinsettias	90.00
Ocean Roads SS Class	20.00

December Birthdays

Nancy Loveland	12/5
Susan Davis	12/10
Olomwene Emedi	12/11
Moise Olomwene	12/15
Victor Baucan	12/15
Marbely Hernandez	12/17
Elsie Baucan	12/21
Don Templeton	12/23
John Peavy	12/23
Sango Alinoti	12/26
Julie Sechrist	12/28
Josue Rojas	12/29

December Anniversaries

Robert & Carol Zaugg	12/17
Michael & Yoni Fisher	12/19
Marbely Hernandez & Fredi Rojas Lazo	12/20
Audry & Frances Coulliette	12/21



The United Methodist Women will be collecting socks during December to be donated to the City Rescue Mission.



Chef: Donna Thouin
 Menu: TBD

A few of UCOM's immediate needs:

- * We are still in need of holiday items for our Christmas give away. We need **chicken broth, cream of mushroom soup, french fried onions, sweet potatoes, and desserts for them to bake.**
- * We are having a mobile pantry and need volunteers December 14 at 11:00am at Stonemont Village Apartments (for those residents) - email or call me if you have a group interested in assisting with this.
- * We are collecting toys for elementary aged students for our annual Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 21. Please consider holding a quick toy drive and dropping off to UCOM no later than December 18.