

## Announcements

**Children's Church and Nursery Care** is available for children under the age of 10. Children are welcome to stay in worship with their parents.

**Dementia Caregiver Support Group** meets at Mabscott UMC every third Tuesday of the month.

**Tuesdays: @ 5:00** Choir Practice / **6:00** Hand Bell Practice

**December 17<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 pm** – Christmas Caroling, all are invited to join – meet at the church @ 5:00 pm

## Mission Statement for Beckley Community UMC

We aspire to be a Christ centered, spiritually grounded Church. Welcoming and inclusive of all God's children, as we build beloved community and extend mission and ministry through service and generosity.

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# Beckley Community United Methodist Church



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1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent

November 30, 2025

Worship Theme: Advent is a time of personal and spiritual preparation to respond to God's gift of a Savior.

Congregation reads together in the **bold** wording. + Means please stand if you are able.

The Prelude Lisa McGinnis

Gathering (Welcome & Announcements) Laura Fygetakes

+ Call to Worship (Psalm 122:1) :

Leader: I was glad when they said to me, Laura Fygetakes

People: "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

First Sunday of Advent Susan Allen & Bill O'Brien

Advent candle lighting

+Hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" 1<sup>st</sup> verse UMH #211

+Opening Hymn "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" UMH #213

Young Disciples Moment Laura Fygetakes

Prayer of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come.  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever. Amen.*

First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5 Lori Walser

+Gospel Reading Matthew 24:36-44 Mike Cipolat

The Message. "GETTING READY" Rev. Don Stilgenbauer

Special Music "In The Bleak Midwinter" Martha Wilkinson & Lisa McGinnis

Offering Invitation

+Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him  
above, he heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer after Receiving

+Closing Hymn "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" UMH #216

Benediction "GO IN LOVE"

Breakthrough Prayer

**Dear God, please break through and open doors to new hopes, dreams, and possibilities  
for discipleship. We surrender to the power of the Holy Spirit and faithfully follow Christ  
onto the open road adventure of Your new and unknown future for our ministry.  
May your will be done! Amen.**

Postlude Lisa McGinnis

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