# Welcome to Epworth United Methodist Church

Worship: 9:30 AM

Pastor- Jeffery White Lay Leader- Christine "Chris" Mosig Pianist- Catherine Medovich

## UPCOMING EVENTS

December 7, 2025---Charge Conference 3pm @ Epworth

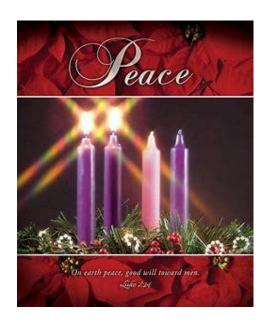
December 9, 2025—Decorating of the church 10AM

December 11, 2025--- Thursday "Sunday School" 7:30 on Zoom

December 18, 2025--- Prayer meeting" 7pm on Zoom December 18, 2025--- Thursday "Sunday School" 7:30 on Zoom

December 21, 2025---Christmas Cantata followed by Fellowship 3pm

January 12, 2026---Administrative Council Meeting 6pm Fellowship Hall



# WASHINGTON COOPERATIVE PARISH December 7, 2025

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Rev. Jeffery White, Pastor

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**Christine Mosig, Lay Leader** 

Sue Haupert-Johnson, Presiding Bishop

Rev. Dr. Sarah Calvert, District Superintendent MountainViewDS@vaumc.org

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 7, 2025

The Mission of the United Methodist Church: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

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### THE CHURCH GATHERS

#### PRAISE HYMN

Hymn No. "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

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LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLES

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*GATHERING HYMN

Hymn No. 567 "Heralds of Christ"

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

People of God, Christ has invited us here!

We gather to praise God,

who brings justice and righteousness to all.

We gather to give thanks to God for hope and peace.

Blessed be the Lord.

who has done marvelous things.

Let us praise God together!

#### UNISON PRAYER

God of hope and peace, as we worship you this day, may we catch a glimpse of your peace; may we open ourselves to receive your grace; may we welcome one another, as you have welcomed us; may we prepare hearts and our lives, for Christ to be born in us once again. And when our worship is done, may we be renewed in body and spirit, prepared to bring your righteousness and justice to the world. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

#### **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

#### PASTORIAL PRAYER

#### PASSING THE PEACE

Wherever you have been, you are welcome here! We are glad to be here, gathered in the glorious name of God! Here and everywhere, may the peace of Christ be with vou. And also with you.

### TO HEAR THE WORD

Isaiah 11:1-10 1st Lesson:

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson: Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19 3rd Lesson: Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12\*\* 4<sup>th</sup> Lesson:

Lectionary Reading \* Sermon Lesson\*

#### +JUNIOR CHURCH

Hymn No. 191"Jesus Loves Me, This I Know" v.1 + Children are invited to follow teachers to Junior Church

### **TITHES AND OFFERING**

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Hymn No. 95 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

**SERMON Pastor Jeff** 

# RESPONDING IN FAITH

#### \*COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn No. 630 "Become to Us the Living Bread"

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#### \*CLOSING HYMN

Hymn No. 196 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

#### \* BENEDICTION

May the peace of Christ be with you, now and forevermore. And may the Holy Spirit fill your days with hope. Amen.

> Leave carrying the light of Christ into the World \*please stand if able