



## *Huguenot United Methodist Church*

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**December 22, 2024, at 11 a.m. – Fourth Sunday in Advent**

*\*Please stand as able.*

	<i>Holy Darkness</i>	<i>There Is a Longing</i>	
	<i>Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming</i>	<i>Sheep May Safely Graze</i>	Connie Salmeri
<i>Prelude</i>	<i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i>		Huguenot Ringers
<i>Welcome, Registration of Attendance and Announcements</i>			Wenda Singer
<b>*Call to Worship</b>			
Leader:	All through this season of Advent, we have encountered Hope, Peace and Joy.		
People:	<i>Today, Belief and Love are the theme.</i>		
Leader:	Today, we will hear the story of surprising commitment.		
People:	<i>We will learn of Mary and God's wonderful love.</i>		
Leader:	Today, we will be challenged to believe in all that God can do.		
All:	<i>Open our hearts, Lord, that we may be ready for your love. AMEN.</i>		
<i>Reading and Lighting of Fourth Advent Candle</i>			Joanne Barreca and Neil Blanchette
<i>Advent Song</i>			FWS # 2090, v. 4
<b>*Hymn of Praise</b>	<i>Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow</i>		FWS # 2096
<i>Psalter</i>	<i>Psalms 80, UMH # 801-802</i>		Singer
<i>Reading</i>	<i>Canticle of Mary, UMH # 199</i>		Singer
<i>Anthem</i>	<i>A Child Will Come</i>		The Choir
<i>Offering/Doxology</i>	<i>The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came</i>		Salmeri
<b>*Hymn of Preparation</b>	<i>Star-Child</i>		FWS # 2095
<i>Scripture</i>	<i>Luke 1: 39- 45</i>		Sprouse
<i>Homily</i>	<i>The Song of Mary</i>		James C. Sprouse
<i>Congregational Prayer and The Lord's Prayer</i>			
<i>Hymn of Dismissal</i>	<i>Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine</i>		FWS # 2099
<b>*Benediction</b>			Sprouse
<i>Postlude</i>	<i>Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates</i>		Salmeri



We also welcome you to Huguenot United Methodist Church this morning!

**HUMC Highlights**

- Our nursery caregivers are here and ready to welcome children this morning! Childcare is provided from 10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
- The **Adult Bible Study** met today at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. *Please plan to join us next Sunday!*
- Our 2025 **offering envelopes** have arrived and are on the credenza near the entrance. Please pick yours up so you can start using them in January.

**Upcoming Events**

- Sun., Jan. 5 – Coffee Fellowship following worship – *Plan to join us!*
- Fri., Jan. 10 – Feed the Homeless @ 10 a.m. – *All are welcome!*

**Happy Birthday to**  
Judy King (Dec. 23)

**Happy Anniversary to**  
Fred and Mary Schneider (Dec. 27)

**This Week’s Church Calendar**

**Sunday, Dec. 22 – Fourth Sunday in Advent**

- 10 a.m...Adult Bible Study (FH)
- 10 a.m...Handbell Rehearsal
- 11 a.m...Worship

**Tuesday, Dec. 24**

- 7 p.m...Christmas Eve Service  
(Childcare provided from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m.)

**Wednesday, Dec. 25 – *Merry Christmas!***

**Sunday, Dec. 29 – First Sunday after Christmas Day**

- 10 a.m...Adult Bible Study (FH)
- 11 a.m...Worship

**CR** – Choir Room   **FH** – Fellowship Hall  
**K** – Kitchen   **L** – Library   **PR** – Puppet Room

To learn even more about the church, please go to [www.HUGUENOTUMC.org/pulse](http://www.HUGUENOTUMC.org/pulse) for our weekly newsletter!  
To learn more about the United Methodist Church, please go to [www.vaumc.org](http://www.vaumc.org)

***Huguenot Ministry Staff***

*Pastor:* James C. Sprouse (703) 608-3045  
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*Director of Music:* Constance Salmeri  
*Lay Leader:* Gerry Flinchbaugh  
*Office Administrator:* Elaine Grider  
*Preschool Director:* Debbi Mintz  
*Nursery Caregivers:* Rosalie Koch and Beth Woodall

***Mission Moment***

When outside temperature begins to freeze, please do not place items like glass bottled drinks, carbonated beverages, or any liquids in thin plastic containers into the Blessing Box. Instead, focus on items such as canned goods with pull tabs, individually packaged snacks, dry goods like pasta and rice, and warm clothing like socks, hats and gloves.  
**Thank you! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!**

**“To Be a Church in Service and in Witness to Our Members and Community.”**