

# The Voice of Unity

## Unity Lutheran Church

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December

2023



### Christmas Eve Service

Come experience a traditional

Candle Light Service!

December 24th

5:00 PM



### MEALS ON WHEELS

Catawba County Senior Nutrition Services relies on donations to serve our neighbors through the Meals on Wheels and Seniors Morning Out Programs. Meals on Wheels provides not only nutritious meals, but also essential safety checks and companionship, allowing seniors to live happier and healthier lives at home. They appreciate gifts of any amount or a gift of the following to sponsor meals:

**\$25 for one week      \$103 for one month      \$1238 for one year**

Donate online at [MealsonWheelsofCatawbaCounty.org](http://MealsonWheelsofCatawbaCounty.org) or make a check payable to Catawba County Social Services, write "SNS 2023" in memo line, and mail to:

Senior Nutrition Services, P O Box 207 Newton, NC 28658

The word Advent comes from a Latin word that means "coming" or "arrival." Advent, the four weeks before Christmas, is a season of repentance and rejoicing. It is the season in which we, as God's redeemed people, prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior. It is also a season to remember that our Lord Jesus will come again in glory on the last Day. As we prepare to celebrate Christ's birth and await his return, "we rejoice in hope of the glory of God" (*Romans 5:2*)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 10:30 - Worship w/Communion Advent 1	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 10:30 - Worship Advent 2	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 10:30 - Worship Advent 3	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:00 pm Advent 4	25 <i>Merry Christmas</i> 	26	27	28	29	30
31  NEW YEARS EVE						

## DECEMBER WORSHIP

<p><b><u>Reader/Assisting Minister</u></b>  <b>3 - Ruie Jones</b>  <b>10 - Tinita Stoker</b>  <b>17 - Bea Isenhour</b>  <b>24 - Ruie Jones/Tinita Stoker</b>  <b>31 - Ruie/Tinita/Bea</b></p> <p><b><u>Acolyte</u></b>  <b>Ruie Jones</b></p> <p><b><u>Worship Services</u></b>  <b>3 - Communion/Setting 3</b>  <b>10 - Service of the Word</b>  <b>17 - Service of the Word</b>  <b>24 - Candle Light Service  w/Communion</b>  <b>31 - Service of Lessons and Carols</b></p>	<p><b><u>Pastor</u></b>  <b>3 - Deborah Johnson</b>  <b>10 - Video Sermon</b>  <b>17 - Deborah Johnson</b>  <b>24 - Video Sermon (morning)</b>  <b>24 - Christmas Eve-Deborah  Johnson</b>  <b>31 - Lessons &amp; Carols</b></p> <p><b><u>Organist</u></b>  <b>3 - Pre-Recorded</b>  <b>10 - Pre-Recorded</b>  <b>17 - Pre-Recorded</b>  <b>24 - Pre-Recorded</b>  <b>31 - Pre-Recorded</b></p>
<p><b>Altar Guild: Tinita Stoker/Ruie Jones</b>  <b>Ushers: Harold Shook</b>  <b>Property: Adrian Jones</b>  <b>Counters: Adrian &amp; Ruie Jones</b></p>	<p><b><u>Flowers</u></b>  <b>3&amp;10 - Adrian Jones</b>  <b>17 - Poinsettias</b>  <b>24 - Poinsettias</b>  <b>31 - Poinsettias</b></p>



### **December**

#### **Birthday's**

- 8 - Ruie Jones
- 19 - Joy Burns
- Sherry Shannon



#### **Anniversaries**

#### Pastoral Care

If you have a need for pastoral care you can contact Unity's Vice-Pastor, Deborah Johnson by phone @ 828-291-4129 or send an email to [madeline5393@gmail.com](mailto:madeline5393@gmail.com).

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