



Chapel Hill

United Methodist Church

December 9, 2024

Pastor's Message



Chapel Hill UMC

Staff

Rev. J.D. Allen
Senior Pastor

Kate Whitaker Hendrick
Minister of Families

Melissa Sky-Eagle
Worship & Music

Jill Cox
Office Manager

Jim Hanigan
Building Manager



CHUMC Family,

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel" is quite likely the best known of the Advent hymns, those pesky hymns we sing this time of year even though the Christmas carols are playing all around us, as a spiritual practice of worship and awaiting the return of Christ. We find it in our United Methodist Hymnal as Hymn 211. The hymn includes a series of antiphons that may be read before and between the verses of the hymn. Each antiphon names Christ with a short phrase representing a name of Christ followed by a prayer. The short phrases are as follows:

- O Emmanuel
- O Wisdom
- O Adonai
- O Root of Jesse
- O Key of David
- O Dayspring
- O King of the Gentiles

Dr. C. Michael Hawn of Perkins School of Theology explains these phrases are translated from Latin. If you take the first letter of the Latin phrase, it spells sarcure, which reads ero crose when read backwards meaning, "I will be present tomorrow."

Our future faith gives us hope because we know God's purposes will be fulfilled and Christ will come again. This hope carries through our greatest doubts and struggles. It also helps to reorient us in those times of despair when we feel God may have forgotten us. We are assured God still has us on God's mind and our prayers shall be answered.

What has you desperately waiting for tomorrow? Know that God is already there offering hope.

*Grace and peace,
Rev. J.D. Allen*

Prayer List

CHUMC Home Bound	Corky Rawdon
The Gee Family	Carolyn Curtis
Yvette's kids	Pat Moore
Matthew Shivar	Rev. J.D.'s Brother-In-Law
Aaron Brooks	Caleb Whitaker
Lynda Lyon (Iris Shivar's Cousin)	Yvette's Mom, Patricia
Judy Bull	Jim Taylor
Janis Coggshall	Amy Vuong's Brother
David Loper	Kathy Hill
Claudia Marchant	The Family of Sam Garrison
Terri Moore	Shepherd Resources
Julia and David Knutt	Mass Shooting Victims
Stacey Ramsey	Peace, healing, & restoration in war torn areas
Mike Tatum	Hurricanes Helene and Milton Victims
Kaye Bandy	
Gary Fuls	
John Fuls	

Calendar of Events

Weekly Events	Tuesdays, Bible Study 7 pm Wednesdays, Chancel Choir 7:30 pm Sundays, Adult Sunday School 9:15 am
December	Mission Emphasis: Giving Tree/Mercy Ships
Sunday, December 1	Communion Offering: Synergy Wesley Ministries
Sunday, December 1	Family Ministries Meeting 11:30 am
Wednesday, December 4	Charge Conference 7 pm
Saturday, December 7	Texas Boys Choir Christmas Concert, 7 pm at Spring Valley UMC
Sunday, December 8	Children/Youth Lunch/Christmas Party 12:00 pm
Sunday, December 15	Brown Bag Fellowship Lunch 11:30 am
Tuesday, December 24	Christmas Eve. Candlelight Service 7:00 pm
Wednesday, December 25	Christmas Day – Church Office is Closed
Thursday, December 26	Church Office is Closed

Announcements

- Our Mission Emphasis for December is to support the **GIVING TREE – GENESIS WOMEN'S SHELTER**. See the list of needs on the table in the Narthex.
- **Brown Bag Fellowship Lunch**, Sunday, December 15th at 11:30 AM.
- **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service**, Tuesday, December 24th at 7 PM.

Church Office Hours

Regular Office hours are
Monday through Thursday
10 AM – 2 PM

If you have a pastoral care emergency outside of office hours, please contact our Senior Pastor, Rev. J.D. Allen at (972) 467-7756.

Join Us for Online Worship!

YouTube: bit.ly/CHUMCYouTube

Facebook: www.facebook.com/chapelhillumc

BIRTHDAY REMINDER: Please let our church office know your birthdate, mm/dd/yyyy, so your church family can acknowledge your special day. **Your 'year' will remain private:** office@chapelhillumc.org



Melanie	Willhite	4-Dec
Kandy	Burdette	13-Dec
Matt	Schulz	16-Dec
David	Ricks	24-Dec
Riley	Dobbs	26-Dec