

Broad Street United Methodist Church

December 21, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome to the Broad Street United Methodist Church.
We are happy you are here today. The order of worship is found in this bulletin.

*Indicates congregation stands, if able.

PRELUDE *O Come, All Ye Faithful* Judy Schetler

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Temaris

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING Week 3 - JOY Susan Curlett/Zachary Cardis

Congregational response: **We choose to believe that the day is coming when “the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.”** (Isaiah 35:10)

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING Week 4 - LOVE Connie and Doug Papp

Congregational response: **With Mary and Joseph, we choose to wait, watch, and listen for the way of Love instead of responding in fear to the world’s judgment.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP (read responsively) Pastor Temaris

Beloved, God calls to us—like Joseph—through angels and messengers, inviting us to listen for the Spirit’s guidance in the midst of half-truths and distractions.

We listen faithfully for the day that all the earth awaits.

Sometimes, angels surprise us (as they did Mary) with good news too fantastical to believe and yet too real—realer than real—to ignore.

We listen faithfully for the day that all the earth awaits.

For generations, God has sent signs of God’s coming kingdom in unexpected places—the birth of a child, the wisdom of the lowly, the faithfulness of a carpenter.

We listen faithfully for the day that all the earth awaits.

Come! Let us worship God who calls out to us, inviting us to faithfulness as we watch, wait, and work for the day when the whole world knows the abundant love and grace of Emmanuel, God-with-us.

Come! Let us worship as we listen faithfully for the day that all the earth awaits.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries

*HYMN *Lo, How A Rose E’er Blooming* UMH 216

OPENING PRAYER (pray together) *Advent* UMC 201 Lauri Sheppard

HYMN

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

UMH 203

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Laura Sourwine

NOISY COINS (supports our Sunday School programs)

Youth

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (pray responsively)

Lauri Sheppard

O God, source of all light, by Your Word, You give light to the soul.

Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding,

that our hearts and minds may be opened to know Your truth and Your way.

Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON (read responsively) *Canticle of Mary (Magnificat)* UMH 199 Lauri Sheppard

SCRIPTURE LESSON Isaiah 7:10-16 Lauri Sheppard

MUSICAL MESSAGE *Night of the Father's Love* by Pepper Choplin Sanctuary Choir

The night of the Father's love...the night the ancient prophecies were fulfilled; the night of the angelic announcement of the birth as the star shone brightly above, leading others to witness this incredible gift of love from God in human form – Jesus, the babe. All of the mystery, the awe, and the palpable excitement of that night are captured in this cantata.

There are two songs that include a congregational part. You will recognize the songs. Your words are printed below. Watch the choir for a signal of when to join in.

Director/Accompanist: Judy Schetler

Narrator: Doug Papp

Soprano: Susan Curlett, Marsha Danser, Laura Jaskot

Alto: Becky MacMillan, Helen Rainier, Jalyn Sunshine

The Coming of the Lord. Choir

Waiting.Choir

Angels Are Making Their Rounds.Choir

Night of the Father's Love Choir

Congregational verse:

Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright

'round yon virgin mother and Child, holy Infant, so tender and mild,

sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

The Shepherds' Song. Choir

Fall On Your Knees. Choir

Christ Is Born, Nowell!. Choir

Congregational verse:

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings, ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

CHOIR PRESENTATION

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE (pray responsively)

Lauri Sheppard

O God in the days to come the mountain of Your house will be established, and Your joy shall reign. We pray for the church, that You might teach us Your ways and that we might walk in Your paths.

Come Lord Jesus, and hear our prayer.

Out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and You, O God, shall judge between the nations. We pray for our nation, and all nations, that your peace would be manifest in every corner of the earth.

Come Lord Jesus, and hear our prayer.

In Your Kingdom, O Lord, wolves lie down with lambs and children play with serpents without fear. We pray for the sick, the suffering, and those in distress of any kind; that You would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.

Come Lord Jesus, and hear our prayer.

In the fullness of time, O God, You sent Your Son, to be born of Mary. And His name was Emmanuel: God With Us. We rejoice and thank You for Your Presence with us, and we pray that You might be always present with those whom we love but see no longer.

Come Lord Jesus, and hear our prayer. Amen.

Rick Morley (Advent prayer of intercession)

Now let us pray for those dear to our hearts and minds. We pray for _____.

In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS TO GOD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Pastor Temaris

OFFERTORY HYMN

O Little Town of Bethlehem (v. 1)

UMH 230

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor Temaris

WE SCATTER TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD

*HYMN

Go Tell It on the Mountain (vs. 1 & 3)

UMH 251

WORDS OF BLESSING

Pastor Temaris

CLOSING CHORUS

There's A Song in the Air (v. 1)

UMH 249

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Please remember our families and friends in prayer

Evelyn Kraft, Carolyn Shinn, Bobbie Kroh, Travis Montone, Zachary Montone,
Shirley Woolman, Dana Painter, Sue Graves, Jim Graves, Bob Slater, Terry Ansel,
Tony Hoffman, Linda Hoffman, Donna Walsh, Tootsie Wooters, Judy Tucker,
Frank Becker, Matthew Ezovski & family, Doug Wonderlin, Bob Kunze, Linda Slater Meyer,
the Yonskie family, Jackie Borgstrom, Mary and Faye Sienkiewicz, John Robert Chitester,
Jeena Sheppard, Susan Curlett and family, Becky MacMillan, Ann Fetterolf, Angela Gallagher

Requests for inclusion on the prayer list, removal from the list, or to have a name
remain on the list longer than two weeks can be emailed to:

office@broadstumc.org or placed in the offering plate.

Please continue to pray for those on the prayer list in previous weeks.


Planning ahead... mark your calendars



Thursdays – Choir Practice 7:00PM Lucas Hall

Sunday, December 21, 2025 – **Annual Cookie Munch** following worship; 12:00PM Lucas Hall

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 – Candlelight Christmas Eve Service 7:00 PM



Christmas card

Opening Sunday, November 30th

Donation of \$0.20/card requested.

Include a check or cash with your cards.

Place your cards in the box in the chapel with your payment.

The cards will be 'delivered' by the youth into the mailbox slots.

Please address your cards with both first and last names.

Please check your slot each Sunday in Advent.

This is a great way to both support our youth and save money!

Thanks to Susan Curlett for the beautiful updated box!

Post Office

No Tuesday Bible Study until Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 1 pm in Lucas Hall. We will begin Book 2 of Psalms 42 and 43. All are welcome to join us.



If you ordered a poinsettia, you may pick it up following the worship service this morning. Please see Laura Jaskot.

Christmas Memorials and Poinsettia Dedications

We have a tradition at Broad Street UMC where we honor and remember those dear to us with flowers or donations at both Christmas and Easter. Listed below are those who are remembered and honored this Christmas season.

Poinsettias

In memory of

Robert & Miriam McElhinney
Prescillo Fellesco
Bob Danser
Judith Dillon
Joseph Bryce
Bill Lucas - brother
Richelle Lucas - sister
Sally Ox - sister
Marjorie (Peg) Lucas - Mother
My parents, John & Phyllis Chitester
My parents, Herb & Peg Tomer
My grandparents, Dot & Jay Richards
and Rev. E.W. and Willa Chitester
My grandparents, Harry & Gertrude Tomer
and Harry & Margaret Prettyman
Thomas and Phyllis Fyfe
Joe and Mary Ellen Jaskot
Jim Waitz
Jimmy Waitz

In honor of

Our son, Clay Tomer & Family
Our son, John Jay Tomer & Family
Our children Alex, Jalyn and Jeena
Judy Schetler



Given by

Their Family
Rob and Cecile Danser
Rob and Cecile Danser
James Dillon
Joanna Bryce
Betsy Grover and Margie Hoffman
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Jean Tomer
Spike Tomer

Jean Tomer

Spike Tomer
Joe and Laura Jaskot
Joe and Laura Jaskot
His wife, Doris Waitz
His mother, Doris Waitz



Given by

Jean & Spike Tomer
Jean & Spike Tomer
Lauri & Keith Sheppard
Sanctuary Choir

Donations

In memory of

Grandmother Ada Harker

Grandmother Carrie Leeds

Mother Thelma MacMillan

Father Robert MacMillan

Mother-in-law Vera Jean MacMillan

Loved Ones

Raymond Wolvin

Judith A. Dillon

Joseph Bryce

Clara & Walt Sheppard

Regina & Warren Fetterolf

Given by

Don and Becky MacMillan

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Doris Waitz

Joyce Wolvin

Jim Dillon

Joanna Bryce

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**We hope everyone will be able to join
us on Christmas Eve (Wednesday)
for our traditional candlelight service
beginning at 7:00PM.**

**This is a family-oriented service.
Come enjoy the music and the worship
as we welcome the Christ Child.**