Myers Park
United Methodist Church
December 11, 2016

We Gather to Praise
From The Day
Hallelujah

We Believe
The Apostles’ Creed

Advent Lighting

We Offer Our Prayer
Abide With Me
Holy Baptism
Jesus Loves Me

Offering
Advent Hymn

We Hear the Word
Isaiah 35:1-10

Message

We Respond
Breath of Heaven

We Go Out to Serve
King of Heaven

Worship Leaders
Dr. James C. Howell, Senior Minister
Rev. Nathan Arledge, Minister of Missions
Zachary Tarlton
Elizabeth Anne Hamil
Fisher Griffin, Macie Porter
Scott, Sarah, Lucy, & Mary Herr
Church in the Round Worship Leaders & Band

Preacher
Worship Leader
Church in the Round Music Associate
Youth Scripture Reader
Gift Blessing
Advent Lighting
WHAT'S HAPPENING
AT MYERS PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH...

WELCOME! We are thankful you are here, worshiping with us. Please drop by the Welcome Center in the Parish Life Building in the lobby before the service to let us know you better. New guests can pick up a complimentary drink tumbler at the Jubilee Hall door.

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HOLY COMMUNION MORNING Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the memorial chapel behind the Sanctuary except when it is given in worship services.

KNEELING AT THE MANGER Children! Please come dressed as your favorite Nativity character to our 9:30 a.m. Church In The Round service in Jubilee Hall. Parents can create their own opportunity to kneel at the Manger in your home this year – a GreatDifference campaign and Jubilee Plus! at www.mpumcs.org/give.

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HOPE AND CONSOLATION SERVICE Our Service of Hope and Consolation will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 13, in Francis Chapel.

RESTORATIVE YOGA Please join Dr. Melanie Dobson at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, December 15, in Room 031 in the Snyder Building for restorative yoga with candlelight. Details: 704-295-4840 or melanie@mpumcs.org.

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CHRISTMAS IN WORD AND SONG The Church In The Round service at 8:45 a.m. Sunday, December 18, in the Sanctuary will feature Christmas in Word & Song: A Contemporary Service of Lessons & Carols.

MORAVIAN LOVE FEAST Our Moravian Love Feast will be at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, December 18, in the Sanctuary.

JUBILEE STORE BLESSING We celebrate another successful Charlotte Family Housing Jubilee Store in partnership with Myers Park Presbyterian Church. Thank you to the 125-plus lay servant from the two churches who helped guests select and wrap gifts, provided delicious meals and watched the children as their parents shopped. We could not have done it without the generous donations of gifts.

PARTNER SCHOOLS We are showing appreciation for teachers and staff at Sedgefield Elementary and Middle schools by providing home-baked pies. Pies should be delivered to the Missions Office in the Parish Life Building December 18 or 19. Sign up to bake at www.mpumcs.org/schoolministries.

ALTERNATIVE GIFT MARKET Honor a loved one by donating to a partner mission through the Alternative Gift Market. Help in ordering is available in the lobby this morning and Sunday, December 18. Sign up to bake at www.mpumcs.org/schoolministries.

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