


## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ It's that time of year again to **submit any nominations for Elders & Deacons**; as well as **requesting Committees to submit your budget requests and year-end reports for the annual meeting of January 24, 2024. All are due by the end of December.** *Our current Elders are Johnny Pinner, Tom LaBarbera, Buddy Teel, Greg Spain & Dan Black. Our current Deacons are A.J. Stancill, Bill Staton, David Mayo, III, Eugene Hyde, Mark Scott, David Tucker, Jamie Swart, Robert Pinner, Brandon Jenkins & Lee Elks.*
- ❖ We are updating the church directory! Please scan the QR code to complete a form to help make sure that we have the most up to date information. If you need help, please see a church leader, and we will be glad to help you!  

- ❖ Please join us for our **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service TONIGHT @ 7:00 PM.**
- ❖ After today, the MPCC Post Office will be officially closed until next Christmas season. Thank you all for your participation.
- ❖ As we approach the holidays be aware that we will not be having Bible Study on December 26th or 27th. Then we will also miss the next week in January, the 2nd and 3rd.
- ❖ **Reminder – please be sure to sign up for communion preparation & securing the building for 2024 – sign up sheets are in the education wing.**

## SERVING SCHEDULES

**Sunday School & Worship Services- Nursery**  
12/24 **SS/Church:** Kristen Flynn & Anna Alvarez  
12/31 **SS/Church:** Spenser Staton & Roxanne Wilder

**Communion Table**                      **Preparing Communion**  
**Dec:** Johnny Pinner & Bill Staton      **Dec:** Becky Ormond  
**Jan:** A.J. Stancill & Tom LaBarbera    **Jan:** Maria Cullipher

**Unlock & Secure the Building**  
**Dec:** Buddy Teel                              **Jan:** NEED VOLUNTEER

**Opening**                      **Prayer Request**                      **Communion Med**  
12/31 Johnny Pinner    12/31 Robert Pinner    12/31 Brandon Jenkins

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**Music Director/Pianist:** Jewell Whitehurst

**Organist:** Mary Coburn

**Sound System:** Dewayne Woolard, Mark Scott, David Tucker, & Ian Garris

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## UPCOMING AT MPCC

### SUNDAY

9:30 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Worship Service  
4:00 PM Choir Practice  
5:00 PM Children's Services  
5:30 PM Evening Service

### MONDAY

7:00 PM Ladies Aid Meeting  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month)

### TUESDAY

10:00 AM Bible Study  
7:00 PM Board Meeting  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month)

### WEDNESDAY

4:30 PM Youth Group  
6:00 PM Kid's Group  
6:00 PM Worship Leader Practice  
7:00 PM Bible Study

**Building Funds Sunday  
(Special Offering)**  
December 24<sup>th</sup>

**Annual Congregational  
Meeting 1/24/24 @ 7:00  
pm**

**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
TO ALL**

ORDER OF SERVICE

CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Light Of The Stable" WL

WELCOME Robert Pinner

PRAISE & WORSHIP

"The First Noel" (v 1-3 & 6) 120
"Come On Ring Those Bells" (ch 2x) Screen

Musical Offering

"A Light Still Shines" Kerri Scott & Choir

Communion Meditation Dan Black

Communion Music "Tell Me The Story Of Jesus" Screen

Communion

(if you wish to partake of the Lord's Supper, please hold emblems & take in unison)

Please place your offering in plates as you exit after the service

Prayer Requests Eugene Hyde

Musical Offering "Christmas Hallelujah" WL

Morning Message Matthew 1:22 John Ormond

"No Coincidence"

Hymn of Decision

"Have You Any Room For Jesus?" (v 1 & 2) 341

\*Closing Prayer

\*Closing Hymn "Go Tell It On The Mountain" (ch) 127

Depart to Serve \* Please Stand

SERMON

Sermon: No Coincidence Text: Matthew 1:22

Thesis: The Evidence Is Overwhelming

I. The Messiah Would Be Born of A Woman. (Genesis: 3:15)

- A. These are the words of God to the serpent.
B. Christmas celebrates when this prophecy was fulfilled.

II. The Messiah Would Be Of The Line Of Abraham. (Genesis 12:1-3; 22:18)

- A. A blessing large enough to bless everyone.
B. Christmas is a celebration of this blessing.

III. The Messiah Would Come Through The Tribe Of Judah. (Genesis 49:10)

- A. This passage draws a picture beyond the obvious.
B. Again, we have a reason to celebrate.

Conclusion: The Bible is an unbreakable chain of truth, wisdom and prophecies given and fulfilled. The prophecies about Jesus abound throughout the OT. The NT is where we see them fulfilled in ways which only He could. Their fulfillment was to give each of us hope for life eternal. This holiday is ours to celebrate with great joy. Let's do just that.



O, Come Let Us Adore Him

Sermon Notes +
Date:
Speaker:
Message Title:
Passage:
Notes:
Main Points:
1.
2.
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Verses Used:

## PRAYER CONCERNS 12/24/23

- 1 Family of Janie Harris
- 2 Family of Doris Moore
- 3 Family of Dr. Roger McMurray
- 4 Family of Gregory Harman
- 5 Sophia Harrison – heart stent surgery 1/02/24
- 6 Jeremiah Gerrard – liver cancer
- 7 Kathy Davenport – test 12/11 to see if cancer returned
- 8 Janice Williamson – breast cancer/caught early
- 9 June Kilby – diagnosed with pancreatic cancer
- 10 Jayne Bennett – on new program to clear shingles
- 11 Mark James – head & neck cancer
- 12 Aubrey Wayland – tumor removed / chemo
- 13 Heath Reel – home; outpatient therapy
- 14 Annas Bullock – home recovering
- 15 Teresa Jordan – back to work part-time
- 16 Renee Spain – mission trip to Nicaragua in February
- 17 Bob Barbour – prayers for healing
- 18 Susan Kellogg – home not doing well
- 19 Ken Coburn – 2<sup>nd</sup> knee replacement in December
- 20 Lynn Ross – back in hospital
- 21 Ellen Smith – recovering from knee replacement
- 22 Darla Prescott – fell and broke femur
- 23 Gene Hathaway – spot on lungs
- 24 Andy Harrison
- 25 Marilyn Whitley – heart attack/stroke & pneumonia
- 26 Mary Coburn – more tests w/new GI cocktails to help
- 27 Tina Scott – more chemo to recover
- 28 Vicky Sanders – difficult time recovering from wreck
- 29 Paul Sanz – severe pancreatitis
- 30 Marvin Wiggins – doing better
- 31 Betty Jo Hobbs – cancer
- 32 Billy Dunn – continuing throat procedure
- 33 Deborah Swart – doing good, scans in January
- 34 Scott Murphy – brain tumor/having heart issues
- 35 Shirley Uzzell – lung cancer
- 36 Betsy Allen – awaiting results from scan
- 37 Eli Cooke – February follow up

### LOVE & SUPPORT

Jayne Mayhew	Carrie Elmore	Myrna Rogerson
Guy Smith	Andy McKinney	Dawn Johnson
Sarah Glasgow	Glynn Bright	Savanna Grace Bailey
Tina Nobles	Neal Carson	Jean Gurkin
Owen Robinson	Caleb Kittrell	Mildred Jenkins
Peggy Hoyst	Mike Hoyst	Terry Peaden
Riley Koontz	Dr. Charles Pace	

### On-Going Prayers For

Our Church Leaders	Our Church Family	Our Youth Ministry
Our Music Ministry	Our Country	Our Military Forces

**If there are any updates for the existing prayer concerns, please let us know so we can make sure we have the most accurate updates on each person listed.**

**You can email or text Debra Staton ([statondp@embarqmail.com](mailto:statondp@embarqmail.com) or [252-717-3297](tel:252-717-3297)) with any updates or additions to our prayer concerns.**

**Thank you**

*“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”*  
Isaiah 9:6