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Please submit bulletin information to Irene by Wednesday noon.

This Week @ H.C.O.B.

Today: 11/29
No Youth Group

Monday: 11/30
Doug's Day Off

Tuesday: 12/01
6:00-8:00pm TNT
6:30-7:30pm WORDD Rehearsal
7:00pm Deacons

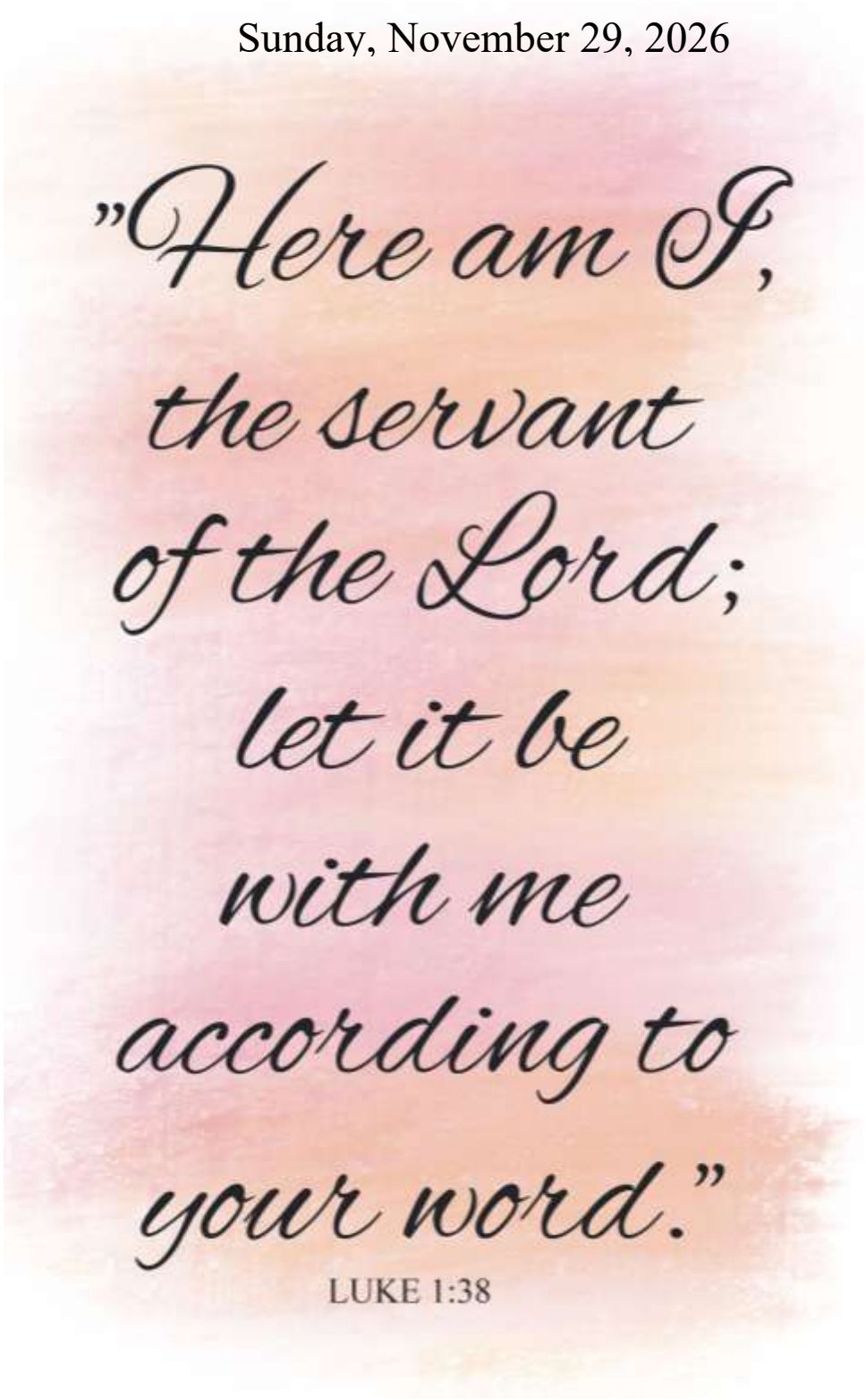
Saturday: 12/05

Wednesday: 12/02
7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday: **12/03**
6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Friday: 12/04
Laura Day Off
1:00pm Caldwell Service
6:45pm WORDD Christmas

Sunday, November 29, 2026



Worship Today

PRELUDE: Edelweiss
My Favorite Things
Little Drummer Girl
Good Christian Men Rejoice
Mary's Little Boy

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 80:1-7; 17-19

*A TIME OF PRAISE Beautiful Star of Bethlehem
Go Tell It on the Mountain

All Children are Invited to Remain in the Morning Service.

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:26-38

CHIDLREN'S STORY Pastor Laura
Ms. Monica

SPECIAL MUSIC God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Luke 1: 39-56

MESSAGE **When Stories Collide:**
Mary and Elizabeth

COMMUNION Affirmation
"This bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ."
"This cup which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ."

*CLOSING HYMN O Come, O Come Emmanuel

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen (Reprise)

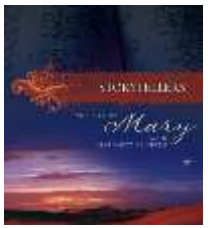
Pastor: Laura Meiser
Worship Leader – Doug Hinton
Accompanist – Appalachian Breeze
Praise Band – Appalachian Breese
Sound Tech – Rich Bushong, Dave Dum
Video Tech – Dave Bendit
Live Stream – Ben Johnson

PREPARE YOUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY BY READING AHEAD! Next Sunday Doug Hinton will be speaking on **Luke 2:8-20**.

HCOB Family Facts

Offerings for November 22, 2026:
General Fund $ 14,100.16
Building Fund $ 250.00
Outreach Fund $ 3,395.00
Total Giving to Outreach Fund = $ 45,964.00





This study unfolds Mary's life and transforms it to a 21sr century audience. It examines Mary's life in a way you never expect. Each session walks down Mary's road of faith as she journeys through a life of unbelievable events that ushers in Jesus Christ. (A RightNowMedia lesson)

November 29 – The Life of Mary **Unexpected**
December 6 – **(No Class)** Family Christmas Fellowship
December 13 – The Life of Mary **Unscripted**
December 20 – The Life of Mary **Unfamiliar**
December 27 – The Life of Mary **Unfulfilled/Fulfilled**



BRETHREN VILLAGE CHRISTMAS COOKIES AND CRAFT BAZAAR SALE
Saturday, December 5, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM in Wolfe Auditorium including cookies, crafts, and food. All benefits will go to the Brethren Village Residents. **CAN YOU BAKE CHRISTMAS COOKIES?** Please consider baking cookies and bring them to the Narthex table **November 29 through December 3 (before 9:00am)**. Mark them "for Brethren Village." Label the kinds of cookies and if they contain peanut butter or nuts. Some diabetic varieties would be welcomed. All cookies are appreciated, but the Christmas varieties sell well.



Join us Sunday, December 6, 2026 following the morning service for great fun, food, fellowship, and GINGERBREAD HOUSES!! There will be 2 sign-up sheets available in the Narthex. Please let us know if plan to fellowship around a meal. We'd also like you to sign up to participate in Gingerbread House making. Participate in some or participate in all. Everyone is welcome!

Announcements



Fall Children's Church Schedule

First Sunday: Both classes
Second Sunday: Both classes
Third Sunday: Both classes
Fourth Sunday: Classes Combined
Fifth Sunday: Children remain in the service

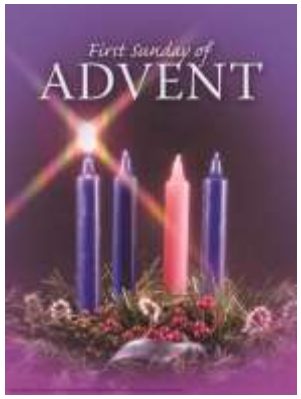


Help Bring Joy to the COBYS Kids in Foster Care with a Gift.

We have been given the names of 20 children this year. Each child will receive 3 different gifts that are on their wish list. Tags have been placed on the tree in the Narthex (each child's name will appear on the tree 3 times). Please take a tag and purchase a gift. Return your gift in a bag unwrapped. Attach the original tag to the bag with the child's name on it. The last day to bring your gift will be December 8.



Merry Christmas! Oh, it's too soon for that, right? Well, actually it's not. Deacons will assemble the Christmas bags with goodies and cards for the shut-ins and senior home residents on Saturday December 12th. Please place cards in the Christmas box on the table in the narthex by December 6th. Your cards should be alphabetized by last name and rubber banded. A list of recipient's names is available and on the table near the box. We thank all of you who participate in this well-received and much appreciated activity.



Advent 2026 First Sunday Reading: Hope
Psalm 80:1-7 New International Version

Hear us, Shepherd of Israel,
you who lead Joseph like a flock.
You who sit enthroned between the cherubim,
shine forth [2] before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh.
Awaken your might;
come and save us.
[3] Restore us, O God;
make your face shine on us,
that we may be saved.
[4] How long, Lord God Almighty,
will your anger smolder
against the prayers of your people?
[5] You have fed them with the bread of tears;
you have made them drink tears by the bowlful.
[6] You have made us an object of derision[b] to our neighbors,
and our enemies mock us.
[7] Restore us, God Almighty;
make your face shine on us,
that we may be saved.

Psalm 80:17-19 New International Version

[17] Let your hand rest on the man at your right hand,
the son of man you have raised up for yourself.
[18] Then we will not turn away from you;
revive us, and we will call on your name.
[19] Restore us, Lord God Almighty;
make your face shine on us,
that we may be saved.



Appalachian Breeze

The sweet sounds of Appalachian Breeze will put a smile on your face and set your toes tapping. We play an eclectic mix of tunes with roots in the genres of folk, bluegrass, sacred, gospel, and traditional music. Appalachian Breeze began as a group of friends getting together for a local bluegrass jam. Our repertoire is suited for a variety of instruments and styles to ensure our audience leaves with a song in their heart. Group members are:
Greg Hackenberger (Hammered Dulcimer/Banjo/Vocals)
Sharon Bartlet (Fiddle/vocals)
Rod Myers (Guitar/Mandolin/vocals)
Cherl Myers (Bass/Flute/Irish Whistles)
Rick Bard (Guitar)
Bonnie Bard (Vocals)

MANY THANKS TO APPALACHIAN BREEZE FOR SHARING THEIR MUSIC WITH US THIS MORNING.