

# Allen-Lee Memorial UMC

First Sunday after Christmas Day

December 31, 2023

**Prelude** Kevin Lefebvre

**Welcome and Announcements** Rev. Palmer Boykin

## † Call to Worship

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

***And also with you.***

*The risen Christ is with us.*

***Praise the Lord!***

## † Opening Prayer

*Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

† **Hymn** *O Little Town of Bethlehem* UMH 230

† **Hymn** *It came Upon the Midnight Clear* UMH 218

**Old Testament Reading** Isaiah 61:10-62:3

**Psalter Reading** Psalm 148 UMH 861

† **Gloria Patri** UMH 70

**Epistle Reading** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

† **Hymn** *Angels We Have Heard on High* UMH 238

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

† **Hymn** *O Come, All Ye Faithful* UMH 234

**Offertory** Kevin Lefebvre

**Doxology** UMH 95

**Gospel Reading** Luke 2:22-40

**Sermon** "Now There Was a Man" Rev. Palmer Boykin

† **The Apostles' Creed** UMH 881

† *Please stand as you are able.*

† **Closing Hymn** *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* Kevin Lefebvre

† **Benediction** Rev. Palmer Boykin

**Postlude** Kevin Lefebvre



## WELCOME TO ALLEN-LEE

We hope that you will feel the warmth of this loving congregation while you are here worshiping with us. Please let us know if you need anything or want more information about our church. We are an open and welcoming fellowship. It is our hope that you will come again and often!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We welcome our friends from Luthersville UMC today.
- We will be providing breakfast for back-to-school at Unity Elementary School on Thursday. If you signed up for something, you can bring it to the school on Thursday morning by around 7:30 a.m. Otherwise, you can leave items in the fellowship hall by Wednesday afternoon.
- For those who bought tickets to "I'd Climb The Highest Mountain, the movie is next Sunday, January 7, at 2 p.m. at the Carrollton Center for the Arts. Those of us from Allen-Lee will be going to Dairy Queen afterward for a time of fellowship.
- The United Women in Faith will meet Thursday, January 11 at 11:30 p.m. for a light lunch and time focused on missions and prayer.
- The next Food, Fun and Everyone will be Friday, January 12 at 6 p.m. Several types of chili, all the fixings, and dessert will be provided, and games are planned for after the meal. Invite a friend!
- A flower calendar for 2024 is on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please sign up if you'd like to place flowers in the sanctuary. If you forget to sign up, extra flowers are always welcome!

## PRAYER LIST

### *Long-Term Requests*

Gail Aydin	Jennifer Hillyer	Ernie Rivera
Lenward Bassett	Mary Hoffman	Steve Robinson
Melinda Bell	Katherine Jones	Angie Smith
Joy Burks	Pat Kee	Deana Still
Margaret Camp	Bo Kelly	Ed Vance
Mac/Tina Chandler	Juanita Marshall	Delayne Wells
Carolyn Crist	Anna Nalley	Jackie Williams
Annette Duffey	Victoria Price	Roger With
Lorraine Durham	Michael Rector	Mary Woodruff
David Gregory		

### *Current Prayer List*

Leona Beavers	Mel Kendricks	Roger Reid
Marie Boatright	Chance Meadows	Teresa Roebuck
Stephanie Crosby	Teresa Mendez	David Strickland
Samantha Foster	Kaaren Moseley	Glenna With
Ruby Fernandez	Jeanne Plant	Marie Yuran
Elaine Hillyer		

### *In Memory*

Patricia Bassett                  Gary Ivester

### *Missionary*

Connie Weick, Southeast Asia

### *Military/Contract Personnel*

Phillip Boykin – Japan	Davis Gray – Mississippi
Jonathan Chaffin – Iraq	Austin Shelton – Kentucky
Brandon Davis – Florida	Ry Skinner – Georgia
Jack Edmonds, III – Germany	Taylor Threatt – Virginia

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

01 – Kelley Brown (B)	20 – Karen Parker Edmonds
05 – Justin Hendrix (B)	22 – William Gordon
07 – Gary and Elaine Hillyer (A)	

# Allen-Lee Memorial United Methodist Church



***Open Doors, Open Hearts, Open Minds***

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Jesus grew and became strong.

Finish the picture.



# Children's Worship Bulletin™



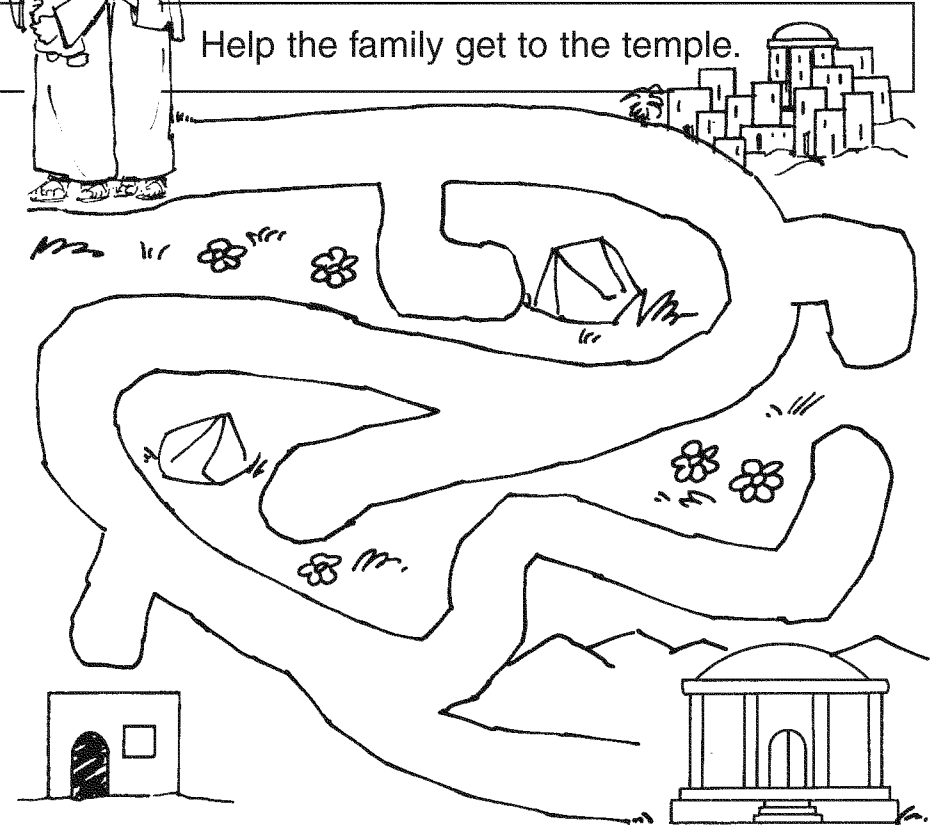
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## Jesus Presented in the Temple

Joseph and Mary took  
Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem.



Help the family get to the temple.



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Simeon held Jesus and called Him the  
Salvation from God.

Find and count the hidden objects.



4 or 5 ?



6 or 7 ?



Anna thanked God because of Jesus.

Connect the dots.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T

