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**MEARS UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH**

December 3, 2023

**O Christmas Tree:
God Will Send a
Righteous King**

Dear Church Members!

*Thank you so much for your generous donation
again this year. It will be used for sure since
we've had a very busy year already-supplying
our 1,850+ kiddos with boots, coats and snow-
pants.*

We truly appreciate your support.

Mrs. Mullen's Closet Team



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Today



Greetings and Announcements

Breathing in God's Grace

Call to Worship —

In ancient times the cedar was revered as the tree of royalty. It also signified immortality and was used for purification. We place this cedar branch as a sign of Christ,

Who reigns as King for ever, and whose coming, in justice and righteousness, will purify our hearts.

Doxology

Opening Hymn:

O Come, O Come Emmanuel vs 1& 2 UMH 211

Opening Prayer & Prayer of Thanksgiving

Advent Reading

Advent Song: *Advent Song vs. 1 FWS 2090*

God Winks

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Time with Pastor Bev

Hymn of Preparation:

O Come, O Come Emmanuel vs 3& 4 UMH 211

The Apostles' Creed: UMH 881

Scripture: *Jeremiah 23:5-6*

Message: *O Christmas Tree:*

God Will Send a Righteous King

Communion Hymn:

O Come, O Come Emmanuel vs. 4&5 UMH 211

Communion: Come to meet with Christ and have fellowship with Him at His invitation.

Closing Hymn:

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates UMH 213

Benediction & Going Forth

Offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary.

~ Thank you for your gift! ~

ANNOUNCEMENTS

as of December 3, 2023

Ministry Team Meeting

MTM on Dec. 6 at 10am to go over the Budget

Oceana Singers

The Oceana Singers Presents It's Holiday Time concert at the Hart UMC on Sunday Dec. 10 at 4pm

Blue Christmas

A Service for those who are missing someone this Christmas will be at Shelby UMC on Thursday Dec. 21 at 7pm

UPCOMING WORSHIP MEETINGS & EVENTS

Sunday, December 10

O Christmas Tree:

The Prophet Declares

Isaiah 9:2; 6-7

Sunday, December 17

O Christmas Tree:

The Holly and the Ivy

Isaiah 53:1-6
