



*Sunday, November 29, 2009*

*1st Sunday of Advent*



*Christ will bring*

***HOPE***

*To the world.*

Liturgist  
Rev. Dwayne Craig

Liturgical Color  
Purple

*1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT*  
*Sunday, November 29, 2009*  
10:00 AM

ENTRANCE and PRAISE

SANCTIFIED GATHERING

Linda Charlton

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GREETING

L: Lift up your heads, O Gates!

P: And be lifted up, O ancient doors! That the King of glory may come in.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”

Hymn #213

OPENING PRAYER

UMH #201

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

John & Donna Chambliss

SANCTUS GLORIA

“Our Light Has Come”

Sanctuary Choir

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Jenny Wherrell

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Contemporary Praise

DOXOLOG

UMH #94

*“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power  
uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!”*

PROCLAMATION and RESPONSE

HOLY PRAISE Shawn Brown  
GOSPEL LESSON John 9: 1 - 41  
SERMON "MUD" Rev. Gary Shockley

SCATTERING INTO THE WORLD

CLOSING HYMN

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE IN SONG

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow; because He lives, all fear is gone;  
Because I know He holds the future, And life is worth the living just because He lives.*

POSTLUDE PRAISE Contemporary Praise

MEMORY VERSE

*"May the Lord bless and protect you;  
may the Lord's face radiate with joy because of you;  
may he be gracious to you, show you his favor,  
and give you his peace."*

*Numbers 6: 24 - 26*

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**OUR MISSION**

*Tuskawilla UMC is committed to providing a place to **BELONG**; to a community of faith,  
a place to **GROW** in that faith and a place to **SERVE** the faith.*

**OUR VISION**

*A place to **BELONG**, **GROW** and **SERVE**. There's a place for **YOU!***



**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS**

*We are glad that you chose to visit with us today at TUMC. Please take a moment to complete the card you will receive from an usher and place it in the offering plate so that we may have a record of your visit here today. Please do not hesitate to contact us at 407-699-8155 or at office@tumcfl.org. Blessings!*

**MEETING/EVENT REMINDERS**

- Thursday, Dec 3: - Noon: 50+ Monthly Luncheon
- Saturday, Dec 5: - 9:00 am: Cantata Rehearsal
- Saturday, Dec 12: - 9:00 am: Cantata Rehearsal
- Sunday, Dec 13: - 10:00 am: Christmas Cantata- *“One Incredible Moment”*
- Sunday, Dec 13: - 5:00 pm: Youth families covered dish dinner & Caroling
- Sunday, Dec 13: - 6:30 pm: Trustee Board Meeting
- Wednesday, Dec 16: - 7:00 pm: Christmas Cantata - *“One Incredible Moment”*
- Saturday, Dec 19: - 9:00 am: Men’s Ministry
- Saturday, Dec 19: - 10:30 am: Brunch with Santa
- Wednesday, December 23: - 3:30 pm: FOOD BANK**
- Thursday, Dec 24: - 6:00 pm: Contemporary Christmas Eve Service
- Thursday, Dec 24: - 8:00 pm: Traditional Christmas Eve Service
- Wednesday, Dec 30: - 3:30 pm: FOOD BANK**

***Thursday, Dec 24 through Monday, January 4 - Church Office closed***

***\*\* If you volunteer for the FOOD BANK please note change for the holiday season!***

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**CHRISTMAS CANTATA**

Please join the Sanctuary Choir, Contemporary Praise, Drama Ministry under the direction of the Music Director, Joseph Shelley as they retell the story of Christmas through music and drama. On Sunday, December 13 at 10am, and Wednesday, December 16 at 7pm, come see and hear, “One Incredible Moment” Bring someone and be blessed.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**



*The flowers on the altar today are given by Tom and Debbie Schuchart in memory of Betty Schuchart.*

## YOUTH NEWS

NO AMPLIFY, Heavenly Expressions, or Halo rehearsal today due to the Thanksgiving break.

“I Love My Parents” girls support group will meet tomorrow in the youth room from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

### “PARENT’S TIME OUT !”

A night out for parents with safe, fun childcare provided by TUMC! On Wednesday, from 6pm to 10pm on December 23, 2009, we will hold the first of many such gatherings. This pajama party type event will feature a movie, “Polar Express”, provide a pizza dinner, hot chocolate and Christmas cookies. We hope that parents would use this “time out” to get ready for their own family Christmas.

What a wonderful opportunity this is to be in fellowship with the community during the season of goodwill. Please be in prayer about this new and exciting program as it kicks off on December 23. You may contact Tammy Wyche at 407-388-1811 with suggestions, questions, offers to help etc...

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### SALTY SERVICE

*Salty Service tickets can now be found in the pew slots. If you have been a servant to someone this past week, please place one or more in the offering plate when it is passed. Coming in 2010 the Florida Conference will be holding one day seminars to share and help us understand how we as followers of Christ can better serve our brothers and sisters. Please do NOT take the tickets home with you. Each week we will reuse these tickets to record our service. Thank you.*

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### WORSHIP BUDDIES

Parents, if you did not get a “worship buddy” on your way in to the service this morning, please ask an usher to get one for your child. Please take them back to the Narthex at the end of the service. We hope that your child would enjoy and learn from the items that were lovingly placed in the bag. Thank you.

## Meaning of the Advent Wreath



The importance of the Advent season remains to focus on the coming of our Lord. (*Advent comes from the Latin *adventus*, meaning 'coming'*) The Catechism stresses the two-fold meaning of this 'coming': When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, it makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Savior's first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for His second coming.

Therefore, on one hand, the faithful reflect back and are encouraged to celebrate the anniversary of the Lord's first coming into this world. We ponder again the great mystery of the incarnation when our Lord humbled Himself, taking on our humanity, and entered our time and space to free us from sin. On the other hand, we recall in the Creed that our Lord will come again to judge the living and the dead and that we must be ready to meet Him.

A good, pious way to help us in our Advent preparation has been the use of the Advent wreath. The wreath is a circle, which has no beginning or end: So we call to mind how our lives, here and now, participate in the eternity of God's plan of salvation and how we hope to share eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven.

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### **FOR YOU:**

*“As Jesus stepped into the garden, YOU were in His prayers. As Jesus looked into heaven, YOU were in His vision...His final prayer was about YOU. His final pain was for YOU. His final passion was YOU! Know that He loves YOU!*

## CHURCH CALENDAR November 29 - December 5 , 2009

### Sunday, Nov 29

8:45 am Sunday School\*  
10:00 am Worship Service\*  
2:30 pm *Heavenly Expressions Rehearsal*  
2:30 pm *NO Halo Praise Band Rehearsal*  
4:00 pm *NO Youth Group*

### Monday, Nov 30

5:00 pm *"I Love My Parents" Girls Group.*  
7:00 pm *Middle School Bible Study*  
7:00 pm Fit 4 Life Holy Yoga/Praying Pilates

### Tuesday, Dec 1

9:30 am Mary Martha Group  
7:00 pm Fit 4 Life - Cardio

### Wednesday, Dec 2

5:30 pm Halo Youth Praise Band Rehearsal  
5:30 pm *Arise/Mini Youth Group - Room 16/18*  
6:00 pm Children's Choir  
6:30 pm Disciple I Bible Study

### Wednesday, Dec 2 cont'd

6:30 pm Disciple III Bible Study  
7:00 pm Men's Ensemble  
7:30 pm *High School Bible Study*

### Thursday, Dec 3

11:50 am 50+ Monthly Luncheon  
6:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting  
6:00 pm Drama Ministry  
6:00 pm Instrumental Ensemble  
7:00 pm Mental Health Missions Meeting  
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir

### Friday, Dec 4

9:00 am Women's Bible Study  
3:30 pm FOOD BANK

### Saturday, Dec 5

8:00 am Prayer Group  
8:30 am Fit 4 Life - Zumba  
9:00 am Cantata Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Contemporary Praise Band Rehearsal

**Key:** *FH - Fellowship Hall*      \* *Nursery*      *Italics denotes Youth Group*

### SERVING THE LORD TODAY AT TUMC

**Acolyte:** *Ashley Lilly*  
**Greeters:** *Kim Showalter, Lori Detwiler, Dave Brubaker, Karen Hanson, Henry Hanson, Mindy Moretz, Jeralyn Martinez.*  
**Ushers:** *Richard Lane, John Pitts, Vernal Elcock, Carole Gray, Benton Bonney*

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