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Upcoming Sermon Series – Beginning Jan. 8, 2023.

For the past few years, many of you may have participated in the “One Word” focus for the coming year. Instead of a list of resolutions, each person is challenged to pray and discern one word for the new year that represents the area in their life where they

hope God will bring change and renewal. This year, our church family is also lifting up a word collectively together: Relationships. What would happen if we made relationships the central focus of our shared mission and calling in 2023? How might we lean into our relationship with God, with each other, and with others in the world around us? Join us for a new series beginning January 8th as we invite all of us into the year of relationships. It’s time. It is past time. It’s actually right there in our mission – worship God, love one another, serve the world - though we often lose sight of that focus or become distracted with lesser things. Let’s reconnect with God, one another, and with others who we have yet to meet – let’s do it in the name of Jesus and for the sake of Good News of God’s inbreaking kingdom of light and love.

January 8, 2023

Acts 10:34-43

Matthew 3:13-17

Worship God

January 15, 2023

Psalms 40:1-11

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Love One Another

January 22, 2023

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23

Serve the World



“Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World”



December 24, 2022

5:00 pm

Beacon Service

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Beacon Christmas Eve Service

Welcome

***Opening Song of Praise**
“The Manger”

***Worship Song**
“Emmanuel”

Scripture Reading
Isaiah 9:2-7

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We light this final candle tonight, the Christ Candle, remembering that Christ is the Light that has come into the world and the darkness has not overcome it. May God’s light shine in our hearts anew as we become children of the light who walk in the ways that lead to life.

Christmas Bidding Prayer

Tithes & Offering

All undesignated offering gifts tonight will go to our Appalachia Service Project team from Swansboro UMC that travels each summer to various locations in Appalachia where hundreds of families are living in substandard homes that are unhealthy and unsafe for themselves and their children. Seed monies for this mission trip are required to buy materials and help resource our team of youth and adults as they impact lives for Christ and have a transforming immersion experience in the process.

Offertory Song
“O Holy Night”

***Gospel Lesson**
Luke 2:1-20

Sermon
“The Manger”

Great Thanksgiving with Carols

Communion Song
“Shine On”

Candle Lighting
“Silent Night”

***Sending Forth**
“Joy to the World”

Dismissal with Blessing

Go now in the grace and peace of God the Father, the love of Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit...to leave this building and be the Church!

Please extinguish your candle before leaving your seat.