

**Luncheon  
January 7, 2018**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Eating: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return by Sun., Dec.31st

**Mission Opportunity  
Egypt, Iraq, and Honduras**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**2018 Aveleigh's Year of the  
Bible**

**Sermon Preparation Survey  
Ask the Pastor**

I've always wanted to know? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I feel like I've lost? \_\_\_\_\_

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**December 17, 2017:**

Total Service Attendance: 140

Sunday School: 74

**Financial Figures:**

Tithes and Offerings for

Dec 17, 2017: \$9,210.00

Tithes and Offerings through

Dec 17, 2017: \$332,428.19

Needed to meet budget through

December 31, 2017: \$344,050.00

**Children's Church for Dec. 24:**

Nursery: Michaela Gayden

No Children's Church

No AWC

**Children's Church for Dec. 31:**

Nursery: Katelyn Taylor

Children's Church Cindy Jackson

& Cindy Long

No AWC

**Bread Ministry** today is Betty

Ragsdale

**See someone at worship you**

**don't know?** Be sure to introduce yourself and say a word of welcome.

**Need a hearing device?** Ask an

usher, and please remember to return the aid before you leave.

**Please note:** Pastor Mitch's cell

phone #: 944-0416 and e-mail:

drvanmetre@gmail.com

**Aveleigh sermons are on**

**YouTube!** You can watch Aveleigh

sermons at [https://](https://www.youtube.com/user/TheAveleighWC)

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TheAveleighWC. Thanks to

Michael Coleman, Ray Cheeks and

Dr. Mitch Van Metre for sharing our

message in this way!

**FOR OUR GUESTS**

**WELCOME!** We hope that this service will be an encouragement to you. If we can be of special service to you, please let us know. We ask that you fill out the "Connection Card", located on the tear-off section of your bulletin, so that we might have a record of your attendance.

**AVELEIGH'S** blended worship service begins at 9:15 a.m.; Sunday School begins at 10:45 a.m.; Aveleigh Worship Center Service begins at 11:30 a.m.

**NURSERY CARE** is available for babies and young children who may become restless during the worship service. An usher will be happy to direct you to the appropriate room.

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BULLETINS** are available for ages three through Grade 5 at all entrances.

**We Believe:** Jesus Christ is the world's singular saving Lord. No one comes to the Father but through Him. The Bible is God's holy Word. Christians are called to live a holy life, which includes the biblical standard of chastity in singleness and fidelity in marriage. Since all fall short of the Glory of God, all are accepted

**THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES**

Sun (12/24)	8:45 a.m.	Abraham Prayer Partners
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School & Christmas Program Practice
Mon (12/25)	10:30 a.m.	Worship & Christmas Program
	6:00 p.m.	Candlelight Service Fellowship following
		Church Office Closed

**NEXT WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES**

Sun (12/31)	8:45 a.m.	Abraham Prayer Partners
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
Mon (1/1)		Church Office Closed
Tues (1/2)	10:00 a.m.	Chapel Prayer Group
	Noon	Lewis Davis Men's Bible Study

**Aveleigh Fellowship of Presbyterians**

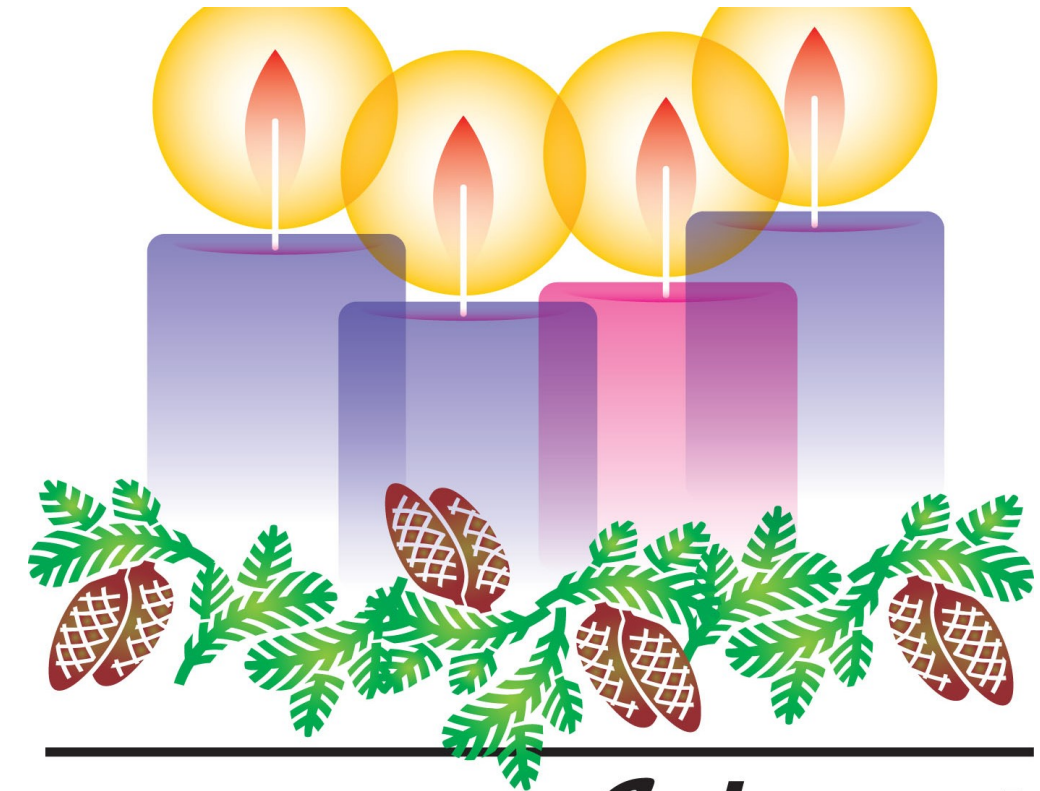
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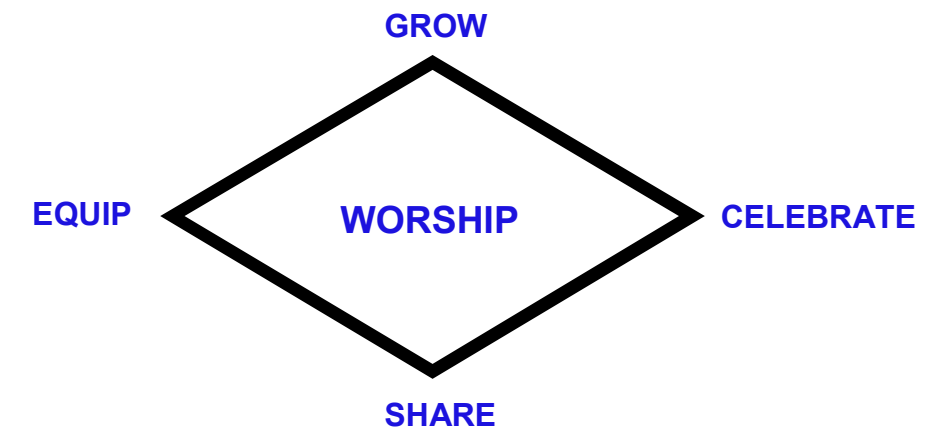
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**December 24, 2017**



FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Advent*



Our mission is to ...  
**CELEBRATE** God's presence  
**GROW** closer to God's Son  
**EQUIP** God's people  
**SHARE** God's Good News

# Aveleigh Fellowship of Presbyterians

December 24, 2017  
Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Prelude** “Go, Tell It On the Mountain” Koerts  
**Welcome & Announcements**

## Call to Worship

**\*Hymn #259** “Angels From the Realms of Glory”

## \*Affirmation of Faith -

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Church universal, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting, Amen*

## Gloria Patri

**Prayer of Confession and Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Hymn #281** “What Child is This?”

**Lighting of the Love Candle** - The Robertson Family

**Offertory** “Let the World Sing Gloria” Marianna Robertson, Soloist  
**Doxology and Fourth Stanza of “America”**

**“New Star” presented by the Youth and Children of Aveleigh**

(Please remain seated and join the singing of the carols included in the drama.)

**\*Hymn #270** “Joy to the World”

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*\*The congregation will please stand if able*



You are invited to join us tonight at 6:00 p.m. for our annual Candlelight Service. Fellowship following.

## Announcements

We want to express our thanks to each family that has been a part of the **Angel Tree project** this year. These children have a parent in a correctional institute and are facing Christmas without them. Your generosity has helped make their lives brighter and happier. Thank you again to those that bought gifts and those that delivered them. Merry Christmas to each of you

**Offering envelopes for 2018** are available for pick up on the table outside the church office. They are in alphabetical order. Let us know if you want one and cannot find one with your name on it.

**Volunteers** - We need some volunteers to stay after the 10:30 a.m. Service today for about 10 minutes. We need you to help move the backdrop etc. and set up for our Christmas Eve Service at 6 p.m. If willing to help, meet at the pulpit area directly after the service. Thanks!

You are welcomed to join us immediately **following our 6 p.m. Christmas Eve Service** for a time of fellowship and light refreshments served in our gym. Contact Pat Ehney if you have any questions or need further Information.

If you provided a **poinsettia** for the Christmas season, please pick it up following today’s evening service.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sunday, Dec. 31st - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

Sunday, Jan. 7th - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship & Communion  
Luncheon following

Sunday, Jan. 14th - Return to regular schedule  
9:15 a.m. Worship Service  
10:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:30 a.m. AWC

**A special Multi-Media Christian Education event** in the Chapel Conference Room on Sunday, December 31st at 9:30 a.m. entitled the Twelve Days of Christmas. Dr. Van Metre will talk about the cultural celebration of Christmas being 12 hours long and then it resets back to “normal”. Learn how and why Christians celebrate Christmas for 12 days, the original Christmas season.

Sunday, January 7th is our **annual service of ordination and installation** of new church deacons and elders and Aveleigh’s first communion service for 2018. There will be a **Luncheon** immediately following this service. Please stay and meet your new officers. **Note** there will be no AWC Service this day and **Sunday School** will be held at **9:30 a.m.** The luncheon will be held in Truesdell Hall. Pastor Mitch’s luncheon team will be serving: chicken, rice and gravy, greens, peas, rolls and dessert. To attend the luncheon, sign up on the Connection Card in today’s bulletin. Cost is \$7 per person (children 12 years and younger is \$2).

**Children’s Council** – will meet Wednesday, January 10 at **9:30 a.m.** in our Chapel (**\*please note it’ll be the second Wednesday of the month for January only**). We are in need of people, who have a heart for children! If you have any questions or would be willing to serve in this way, please contact Cindy Long, Aveleigh’s DCE. Child care can be provided if requested, but please let Cindy know by Monday, January 7.

**Ushers for December** are Cindy Jackson & Heath McCutcheon

**Elder for December is** Gregg Summer

## Connection Card

Welcome to Aveleigh

If you are visiting with us, we welcome you as our guest.

Please fill out the Guest Information and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

## GUEST INFORMATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Guest

\_\_\_ I am a student.

\_\_\_ I am a new resident.

\_\_\_ I wish to become a member of Aveleigh.

\_\_\_ I would like to talk with someone about the Christian faith.