This Week's Schedule			
Sun, 12/7 2nd Sunday of Advent	Contemporary Worship (FLC) Sunday School Traditional Worship (Nave) Christmas play practice	8 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 5:30 pm	
Mon, 12/8	CARE Team meeting	6 pm	
Tues, 12/9	Church Council meeting	6 pm	
Wed, 12/10	Advent Worship @ Reformation Advent Worship @ St. Johns Choir 1833 Band	Noon 6 pm 6 pm 7 pm	
Thurs, 12/11	Confirmation	6 pm	
Sun, 12/14 3rd Sunday of Advent	Contemporary Worship (FLC) Sunday School/Confirmation Traditional Worship (Nave) Christmas play practice Rooted Youth	8 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 2:30 pm 4 pm 4:30 pm	

**173 friends worshipped with us last week** Invite your friends to come next Sunday!

THANK YOU for continuing to share generously! You may also put offerings in the lock box beside the Parish House door, mail them in or give online. Call if you need help with this.

	Current Offerings	Current Expenses	Benevolence Offerings
Last Week	\$5,767.19	\$17,342.82	\$265.00
YTD	\$381,925.63	\$402,123.56	\$16,739.42
2025 Budget		\$450,143.00	\$22,000.00
Weekly Budget		\$8,657.00	\$423.00

# This Week At Friendship December 7, 2025

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<u>Altar flowers today</u> are in loving memory of a special Mother, Grandmother & Great-Grandmother, (Ona Hefner) given by her family.

<u>Poinsettias -</u> forms are available at both services. They can be placed in the offering plate. The cost is \$8.50 & checks should be made out to Country Road Greenhouse. Contact Dana Frye for details. \*<u>Deadline is today.</u>

<u>CARE Team - meets tomorrow, 6pm.</u> Bring your calendars, so we can plan events for next year. Anyone interested in joining is welcome to attend!

<u>The Angel Tree</u> - has **51** foster children in Alexander County this year. The tags will have the child's clothes size and special items they have asked for. You do not have to buy all of the items. **The tree will be up by November 30th.** The gifts must be back to the church by **Dec. 14th.** Contact Lisa James at 828-244-0219 with any questions.

Mid-Week Advent Worship - This Advent season, Friendship, Reformation, St. Luke and St. John are partnering together to share mid-week Advent worship opportunities as we wait with anticipation and hope for the Lord's coming. Each Wednesday in Advent we'll gather for a brief time of worship and a lite meal. There will be services offered midday (all at Reformation) and in the evening (rotating among the other churches). Please plan to join in worship during this important season of preparation as we look forward to celebrating the newborn king!

<u>December 10th-</u> Noon at Reformation, lunch to follow 6pm St. John, dinner to follow

<u>December 17th</u>- Noon at Reformation, lunch to follow 6pm St. Luke, dinner to follow

<u>Children's Christmas Program</u> - The program is **Sunday, December 21st** @ **3pm. \*Cookies Needed:** If you're willing to make a batch of cookies for the children's Christmas play on **Sunday, December 21st** let Nikki Icard know.

Mission Trip - The youth are excited about going on a mission trip to Charleston, SC in July 2026! They will be hosting fundraisers to raise money needed to go on this mission trip. However, a general note about financially supporting children, youth and youth missions ministries at Friendship: donations given that are marked "youth" or "children/rooted" are split between rooted and youth ministries. Donations given that are specifically marked "youth missions" are placed in the designated fund for youth mission trips. Thank you for your financial support of these important ministries to our congregation!

#### Stewards for This Week

 $\underline{Lectors:} \ \textbf{8am} \ \text{-} \ \text{Margo Elder}$ 

10:30 - Donna Icard

<u>Ushers:</u> 8am - Jeff Miller

**10:30** - Chris Bowman

Acolytes: 8am - Ethan Bebber

**10:30** - Ethan Hall

<u>Video</u>: **8am** - Doug Ramsey

**10:30** - John Adair

#### Stewards for Next Week

Lectors: 8am - Doug Ramsey

10:30 - Wendelynne Pearson

Ushers: 8am - Robert Gant

**10:30** - Todd Smith

Acolytes: 8am - Emma Icard

10:30 - Elliot Tucker

Video: 8am - Dennis Rhyne

10:30 - Kimberlyn Swift

## Offering Counters

<u>December: 8am:</u> Andrea Robinette & Jane Gant <u>10:30:</u> Judy & Stan Feimster, Cody & Samantha Bowers



## Memorials & Gifts given to The Glory of God Current

<u>In memory of:</u> Martha Johnson by Denny & Barbara Teague.

Pam Brown & Cathy Fox by Chris & Debbie Jolly.

Mom, Ona Hefner's birthday today by Kathy & Jacky Wike.

My Dad's, (David Bowman) birthday (Dec. 5) by Regina & Ed Longworth.

Cathy Fox, Pam Brown & Mazelle Bowman by Harvey & Wanda Bentley.

In honor of: Katelyn's birthday (Dec. 4) by Nina Windsor.

Harvey's 81st birthday by Wanda Bentley.

Will Galliher's 13th birthday by Harvey & Wanda Bentley.

## **Columbarium**

<u>In memory of:</u> Mazelle Bowman by Joe & Jewell Elder.

<u>In honor of:</u> Our son, Stedman Smith on his 33rd birthday (Dec. 9) by Mom & Dad.

### **Austin Scholarship**

In honor of: Barry's birthday (Dec. 4) by Dara, Kimberlyn & Lindy.

## **Special Offerings:**

Noisy Offering \$94; Youth/Rooted \$70; Lutheran Disaster Response \$25; Christian Crisis Center of Alex. Cty. \$125; Columbarium \$235; Backpack-Wittenburg Elem. \$100; Austin Scholarship \$200; Benevolence \$265; Preschool \$25; Adult Missions \$25; Building & Improvement \$443.42.

## Prayers of the Church

The names in **bold** were added this week. Please let us know if someone should be added or removed. Names are removed after one month unless the office is notified of an ongoing need.

### As God's people we commit to pray for one another, and for all in need.

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God."

~ Philippians 4:6-7

# Let us pray daily for...

Chris Grindstaff (J. Buff-11/10) Ricky Rector (P. Josh-11/10) Noah Davis (S. Bowers-11/10) Sonda Bentley (W. Bentley-11/10) Larry Price (C. Bowman-11/10) Jackie Minton (S. Rogers-11/17) Jimmy Hayes (M. Stafford-11/17) Jay Dean Mitchell (K. Ramsey-11/17) Linda Howard (B.Swift-11/18) Joe Simmons (W. Cline-11/21) Gavin Killian (W. Cline-11/21)
Diana Jimeneze (T. Adair-11/24)
Coleman Haneline (T. Adair-11/24)
Dana Hollar (L. Hefner-11/24)
Guy Mundy (B. Icenhour-11/24)
Darryl Adkins (C. Gant-11/24)
Nicole Davis McNamara (J. Gant-11/24)
Teressa Wallace (W. Perason-11/25)
Mickey Chapman (D. Frye-11/26)
Carolyn Fox (N. Windsor-12/3)

### Family & friends of:

Linda Myers (S. Icenhour-11/10) Martha Johnson (G. Kerley-11/17) Dottie Hammer (N. Windsor-11/18) Angie Brown (J. Buff-11/21) Cathy Fox (M. Sweat-11/24) Pam Brown (P. Josh-11/24) Mazelle Bowman (B. Greathouse-11/24) Chris Mundy (W. Cline-11/24) Linda Seagle (W. Cline-11/24)

### <u>Please be in daily prayer for our</u> <u>Home Bound/Extended Care members:</u>

Fate Hefner, Steve Icenhour, Joyce Deal, Roy & Reba Bolick, Dallard Lail, Bob Russell, Phil & Ruth Lackey.