



HEYWARD STREET UMC

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December 31, 2023

Welcome and Call to Worship

Song *Praise* Praise Team

Lighting of the Advent Candles The Blom Family
Isaiah 61 Nature Element: New Blooms

Refrain *A Candle is Burning* Tune: Away in a Manger
We honor Messiah with Christ's candle flame
Our Christmas Eve candles glad tidings proclaim
O Come, all you faithful, rejoice in this night
As God comes among us, the Christian's true light.

Scripture Luke 2:22-40 Pew Bible p 59

Receiving of the Offering

Sermon There He Is! Rev. Tammy Blom

Song *Noel* Praise Team

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song *Go Tell It on the Mountain* UMH 251

Benediction

Heyward Street Preschool opens Thursday, January 4 following their Winter Break. With the new year, HSP has an interim director, Patricia Hutchinson. There are 34 students enrolled with a teaching staff of 6. In addition to debuting a family friendly ap, aptly named "Famly", HSP has embarked on an improvement plan to increase their overall quality rating. There is much energy, excitement, and expectation among our staff and families as we move into 2024.



Little Library Needs Books

HSUMC's Little Library is designed for preschoolers and young readers. (Of course, readers of all ages are welcome.) Our library has been so well visited that we are in need of preschool and elementary aged gently used books. You may drop books at the church office or place directly in the Little Library.

New Year. New Calendar.

Below are some dates to add to your January schedule.

January 7 Carolina Jazz Society Concert 2:30 pm
January 14 Trustee Meeting at 11:30 am
January 14 Finance Committee Meeting at 12:15 pm
January 28 Preschool Board Meeting at 11:30 am

Our Church Office is closed Monday, January 1 in observance of the holiday.

Praying for Our Church Friends and Family

Christine Alderson Bill & Brenda Bauer
Gaye Besly Corri Boucher

