



Huguenot United Methodist Church
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December 21, 2025, at 11 a.m. – 4th Sunday in Advent

**Please stand as able.*

	<i>Child of Mercy</i>	<i>The Yearning</i>	<i>Every Valley</i>	
	<i>Sheep May Safely Graze</i>	<i>Ave Maria</i>		Connie Salmeri
<i>Prelude</i>	<i>Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates</i>			Salmeri
<i>Welcome, Registration of Attendance and Announcements</i>				John Case
<i>*Call to Worship</i>				
Leader:	Give ear to our cries, O Shepherd of Israel;			
People:	Let your face shine, and save us.			
Leader:	Though we've been fed the bread of tears,			
People:	Let your face shine, and save us.			
Leader:	Though our enemies rise up, though we feel consumed and surrounded,			
People:	Let your face shine, and save us.			
Leader:	Awaken your might; lead us gently in your light.			
All:	Restore us, O God, so that we might be saved. Amen.			
<i>Reading and Lighting of the Fourth Advent Candle</i>			Frank and Sheila Blankenship	
<i>Advent Song</i>			FWS # 2090, v. 4	
<i>*Hymn of Praise</i>	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i>		UMH # 230	
<i>Psalter</i>	<i>Psalms 80, UMH # 801-802</i>		Case	
<i>Reading</i>	<i>Advent, UMH # 201</i>		Case	
<i>Anthem</i>	<i>A Child Will Come</i>		The Choir	
<i>Offering/Doxology</i>	<i>Holy Darkness</i>		Salmeri	
<i>*Hymn of Preparation</i>	<i>It Came upon the Midnight Clear</i>		UMH # 218	
<i>Scripture</i>	<i>Matthew 1: 18-25</i>		James C. Sprouse	
<i>Homily</i>	<i>The Story Begins</i>		Sprouse	
<i>Congregational Prayers and Lord's Prayer</i>				Sprouse
<i>Hymn of Dismissal</i>	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>		UMH # 238	
<i>*Benediction</i>				Sprouse
<i>Postlude</i>	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>			Salmeri



Welcome to Huguenot United Methodist Church!

HUMC Highlights

- Our nursery caregivers are here and ready to welcome children this morning! Childcare is provided from 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
- The **Adult Bible Study** will resume on Sun., Dec. 28. During the class on Dec. 28, we will review the CD presentations for Dec. 14, Dec. 21, and Dec.28. The class meets at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. *We hope to see you on Dec.28!*

Upcoming Events

- Sun., Jan. 4 – Coffee Fellowship following worship service in the Fellowship Hall.
- Fri., Jan. 9 – Feed the Homeless at 10 a.m.
- Tues., Jan. 13 – United Women in Faith meeting at 10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
- Tues., Jan. 13 – Church Council meeting at 6: 30 p.m. on Zoom

This Week's Church Calendar

Sunday, December 21 – 4th Sunday in Advent
11 a.m... Worship

Wednesday, December 24 – Christmas Eve
5 p.m...Christmas Eve Worship

Thursday, Dec. 25 – *Merry Christmas!*

Sunday, December 28 – First Sunday After Christmas Day
10 a.m...Adult Bible Study (FH)
11 a.m... Worship

CR – Choir Room FH – Fellowship Hall
K – Kitchen L – Library PR – Puppet Room

Happy Birthday to
Sam NeSmith (Dec. 21)
Judy King (Dec. 23)

Happy Anniversary to
Fred and Mary Schneider (Dec. 27)

To learn even more about the church, please go to www.HUGUENOTUMC.org/pulse for our weekly newsletter!
To learn more about the United Methodist Church, please go to www.vaumc.org

Huguenot Ministry Staff

Pastor: James C. Sprouse (703) 608-3045
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Director of Music: Constance Salmeri
Lay Leader: Gerry Flinchbaugh
Office Administrator: Elaine Grider
Preschool Director: Debbi Mintz
Nursery Caregivers: Rosalie Koch and Volunteer

Mission Moment

Thanks to all you wonderful HUMC folks - we have beautifully wrapped packages of warm hoodie/sweatshirts for the gentlemen residing at Liberation Veterans Village, and because of your generosity each will also receive a bag containing socks, gloves and a knit cap. These should help them get through the cold winter months. We ask God's blessing on these gifts, on the recipients, and the donors.
Amen.

“To Be a Church in Service and in Witness to Our Members and Community.”