



Please stop by
either entrance
and sign the card
for the **TLC Person
of the Week.**



TLC Person of the Week:
Martha Taylor
1501 Virginia Avenue, #105
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

Remember Martha this week with a note or a card.
Let's show her Otterbein's "tender, loving care"!



ACOLYTE: Lena Blagg
CRUCIFER: Christian Joiner
GREETERS: Richard & Becky Smith
 Jay & Cathy Thomas & Payzley
NURSERY: Carla Nemoytin & TBA
POWERPOINT: Susan Pollard
LAY READER: Judi Espinoza

Attendance on December 8/9: SNA—17 Sunday Worship—208

*The flowers on the altar today are given in honor and memory
of many loved ones and to the glory of God.*

Next Week's Acolyte / Crucifer
 Elisabeth Williams / Daniel Malabad
Next Week's Nursery Volunteers
 Vicki Gaines & Darlene Cochran

Next Week's Children's Message
 Rev. Adam Blagg
Next Week's Powerpoint
 John Liskey, Jr.

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OFFICE HOURS:
 Monday -Thursday: 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
 Friday: Closed

THE MINISTRY AND STAFF

Rev. Sharma D. Lewis <i>Resident Bishop</i> Sandra E. Schaefer <i>Organist / Music Director</i> Rev. Samuel J. Espinoza <i>Retired Clergy</i> Rev. Richard Worden <i>Retired Clergy</i>	Rev. Dr. Victor Gómez <i>District Superintendent</i> Melissa Miller <i>Office Manager</i> Rev. Don Shull <i>Retired Clergy</i>	Rev. Adam Blagg <i>Senior Pastor</i> Judy A. Falls <i>Church Custodian</i> Rev. Larry Clark <i>Retired Clergy</i>	Rev. Faith Fowler <i>Assoc. Pastor of Health & Wellness</i> Dawn Hunter <i>Treasurer</i> David McCormick <i>Missionary in Mozambique</i>
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Welcome!



Otterbein United Methodist Church

December 16, 2018

10:30 am

Third Sunday of Advent

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP		
Third Sunday of Advent		
<u>We Gather to Worship the Lord</u>		
Welcome and Announcements		
Prelude	Ceremonial for Christmas Brass JMU Graduate Brass Quintet	arr. Bill Holcombe
*Greeting (Philippians 4:4-5)		
L: Rejoice in the Lord always;		
P: Again I will say Rejoice.		
L: Let your gentleness be known to everyone.		
P: The Lord is near.		
*Opening Prayer		
*Opening Hymn	Angels We Have Heard on High	No. 238, UMH
Advent Reading		
Children’s Time in Worship		
Christy Blagg		
<u>We Proclaim the Word of God</u>		
Prayer of Illumination		
Anthem	What Child Shall Come?	arr. Liebergen
Old Testament Lesson	Zephaniah 3:14-20	Judi Espinoza
*Gospel Lesson	Luke 3:7-18	(NT, page 60)
Sermon	“UNTIED”	Rev. Adam Blagg
<u>We Give Our Thanks</u>		
Reception of New Members		
Page 33, UMH		

Invitation, Confession & Pardon		No. 12, UMH
*Passing the Peace <i>Please feel free to greet one another with a wave, handshake or a hello, however you feel comfortable.</i>		
*Congregation Singing	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i> <i>O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!</i>	No. 230, UMH
Giving of our Tithes and Gifts		
Offertory	<i>Sleepers Awake</i> Brass Quintet	J.S. Bach/arr. Madeson
*Doxology	Tune <i>VENI EMMANUEL</i> <i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.</i>	
Prayer of Dedication		
The Great Thanksgiving		No. 13, UMH
Celebration of Holy Communion <i>Communion will be offered by intinction</i> Musical selections by Sarah Macomber, clarinet		
<u>We Go Forth Renewed</u>		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	No. 240, UMH
*Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>My Spirit Be Joyful</i> Brass Quintet	J.S. Bach/trans. by Herforth

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