



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



**TLC Person of the Week:**  
Charles Tibbits  
1312 Woodland Park Circle  
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

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



- ACOLYTE:** Elisabeth Williams  
**CRUCIFER:** Daniel Malabad  
**GREETERS:** The Zanda Griffith Dean Family  
 Bob & Joyce Jellum  
**NURSERY:** Vicki Gaines & Darlene Cochran  
**POWERPOINT:** John Liskey, Jr.  
**LAY READER:** Anthony Malabad

**Attendance on December 15/16: SNA—16 Sunday Worship—124**

*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**  
Chelsea Joiner / Christian Joiner  
**Next Week's Nursery Volunteers**  
Beverly Nelson & Kim Zigler

**Next Week's Children's Message**  
Judi Espinoza  
**Next Week's Powerpoint**  
Bill Pollard

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

**THE MINISTRY AND STAFF**

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



## Otterbein United Methodist Church

**December 23, 2018**

**10:30 am**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

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

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP		
<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>		
<u><i>We Gather to Worship the Lord</i></u>		
Prelude	<i>God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen</i> Otterbein Chancel Ringers	arr. Austin
Welcome and Announcements		
*Greeting		
L: Praise be to God!		
<b>P: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who has visited and redeemed the people.</b>		
L: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.		
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*Opening Prayer		
*Opening Hymn	<i>It Came upon the Midnight Clear</i>	No. 218, UMH
Advent Reading		
Handbells	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i> Otterbein Chancel Ringers	arr. McChesney
Children’s Time in Worship		Rev. Adam Blagg
<u><i>We Proclaim the Word of God</i></u>		
Prayer of Illumination		
Anthem	<i>Nativity Processional</i>	arr. Larson
*Gospel Lesson	Luke 1:39-45	(NT, page 57)

*Magnificat	Luke 1:47-55	No. 199, UMH
*Gloria Patri		No. 71, UMH
Sermon	“MAGNIFY”	Rev. Adam Blagg
*Hymn	<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i>	No. 221, UMH
<u><b><i>We Give Our Thanks</i></b></u>		
Giving of our Tithes and Gifts		
Offertory	<i>Still, Still, Still</i> Jonathan Williams, piano	arr. Alexander
*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		
Morning Prayer		
<u><b><i>We Go Forth Renewed</i></b></u>		
*Closing Hymn	<i>What Child Is This</i>	No. 219, UMH
*Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>Joyful and Triumphant</i>	arr. McDonald

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<b>Sunday, December 23</b>		<b>Thursday, December 27</b>	
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10:30 am	Worship	1-4 pm	Dominoes
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<b>Monday, December 24</b>		<b>Saturday, December 29</b>	
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No Clothes Closet			Rev. Glen Langston
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Office Closed			

***Otterbein in Prayer***

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to be contacted by the Pastor? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

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