#### **Isaiah 7:10-16 (NRSVUE)**

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, "Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test." Then Isaiah said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.

#### Matthew 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be pregnant from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to divorce her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall become pregnant and give birth to a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife but had no marital relations with her until she had given birth to a son, and he named him Jesus.

# Welcome to King Moravian Church



December 21, 2025

228 W. Dalton Rd, King, NC 27021 336-283-5322

www.kingmoravianchurch.org Church Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Mon. - Fri.) Zach Dease Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Mon., Tues., Thurs.)

#### Watchword for the Week:

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved. Psalm 80:19

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# **Order of Worship**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Please record your visit in the friendship pads located in the pews.

#### Greeting

Prelude - "Herr Christ, der einig Gottes Sohn" (Lord Christ, the only Son of God)

Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

#### **Lighting of the Advent Candle**

#### Call to Worship

#### **Prayer**

\*Responsive Reading - Psalms 24 and 96 / Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers – MBW256

See Insert

#### Liturgy For Baptism p.165

This morning, we welcome Tyler Doby into the fellowship of this church via baptism.

## Offertory - "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

arr. Lani Smith (1934-2015)

### \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

## Anthem - "Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain"

Carolyn Jennings

Climb to the top of the highest mountain, Joyous tidings proclaim to the world, Lift up your voice, shout the good news: Behold, your Lord comes to you.

He will feed his flock like a shepherd, He will carry the lambs in his arms, He will ever keep them safe from harm. Behold, your Lord comes to you.

He who made the stars in the heaven, He who fashioned the earth and the sea, From time eternal he was God, The Alpha and Omega, He. Behold, your Lord!

He will come in power and glory, He will rule with mercy truth, Hope of all the nations Light of all the world!

He will love the little children, He will hold them in his arms. Love him and trust him as a child, Behold, your Lord comes to you.

Scripture - Isaiah 7:10-16 Matthew 1:18-25

Message Zach

Dease

\*Hymn 262 - "Come, O Long Expected Jesus"

Postlude - "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

arr. Jerry Westenkuehler (b. 1966)

\*Please stand if able

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Ken AlleyRay HornerAnna Lou AndersonAmy JacksonKathleen AndersonDon LucasPat AndersonTerri Lyda

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Sally Hartgrove

#### family and friends

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Steve Williams



Monday, December 22

Handbells rehearsal at 6:00 p.m. (old sanctuary)

Wednesday, December 24

Church Office Closed Children's Lovefeast - 11 am Lovefeasts - 4:30 pm & 7:00pm **Thursday, December 25** 

Church Office Closed
Friday, December 26
Church Office Closed
Sunday, December 28

Mountain Music Christmas - 11 am

COMING UP!

NEEDS OF AYLA OSEGUERA: XL Adult Diapers

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED:** Jan 1<sup>st</sup>

MH&SH DEVOTION AND FELLOWSHIP: Jan 4th after church. Bring a Lunch

**JUNIOR YOUTH:** Jan 11<sup>th</sup> after church in the fellowship hall

**Serving Today** 

Bible Time: Karen Gordon Nursery: KMC Church Family Greeters: Renee Bowman, Barbara

Sudol

Advent Wreath Lighters: The Earley

Family

**Serving Next Week** 

Bible Time: Alana Burchette Nursery: KMC Church Family

Greeters: Lisa Ingram

Advent Wreath Lighters: KMC

Church Family

# **Financials through November**

Offerings \$349,095.17Budget expenses \$365,955.78

• Provincial share (Nov.) \$4,956.44

# Responsive Reading Psalms 24 and 96 / Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers – MBW256

Rejoice, rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear; the evening is advancing, And darker night is near. The bridegroom is arising and soon is drawing nigh. Up, pray and watch and wrestle; at midnight comes the cry.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

For God has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in God's holy place?

Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.

They will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation.

Such is the company of those who seek God, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, the Lord is the King of glory.

The watchers on the mountain proclaim the bridegroom near; go forth as he approaches with alleluias clear.

The marriage feast is waiting; The gates wide open stand.

Arise, O heirs of glory;

The bridegroom is at hand.

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord, bless God's name; tell of God's salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations, God's marvelous works among all the peoples.

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; the Lord is to be revered above all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

Honor and majesty are before God; strength and beauty are in God's sanctuary.

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name; bring an offering, and come into God's courts.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor; tremble before God, all the earth.

Say among the nations, "The Lord is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. God will judge the peoples with equity."

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; Let the field exult, and everything in it.

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord; for God is coming, for God is coming to judge the earth. God will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with God's truth.

Our hope and expectation,
O Jesus, now appear;
arise, O Sun so longed for,
o'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted
we look, O Lord, to you
for all the earth's redemption,
creation made anew.