



# ADVENT

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

DECEMBER 3, 2008

# MACEDONIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

421 West Front Street  
Burlington, NC 27215

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## FIRST WEDNESDAY OF ADVENT

December 3, 2008

6:45 p.m.

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Piano Prelude

\*\* Confession and Forgiveness Page 116-118

\* Hymn *As the Dark Awaits the Dawn* ELW 261

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The Sermon

### **“PREPARE AND PRESENT”**

Text: Malachi 3:1-4

The Offering

Offertory *Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending* setting by W. Held

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\* Hymn *Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding!* ELW 246

Postlude

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\* Congregation stands

\*\* Congregation kneels

Special thanks to Ian Macklin who serves as our Cantor this evening.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Boyd Black, Joan Blomberg, Mary Graves, Violet Patton, David Millspaugh, Eloise Oliver, Aubrey, Laura & Brian Parks, Alan Poovey. (*Requests are to be renewed weekly by contacting the church office.*)

**The Children’s Christmas Pageant, “Carriers of the Light”** will be presented on Sunday, December 21 at 5:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please join us in supporting the children during this time of worship and stay for refreshments after the service.

**Luther League** will meet at 6:00 p.m. at the church on Sunday, December 7 to go to Twin Lakes to see the Lane of Lights and then to the home of Bill and Imogene Myers’ for dessert. We will return to the church around 8:00 p.m. Please bring one canned good for your admission to the Lane of Lights. Parents, please see Greg Myers if you are available to drive.

**Advent Holden Evening Prayer Services & Meals** will continue on Wednesday, December 10 at 5:45 p.m. Our meal will be served from 5:45—6:20 p.m. Our service begins at 6:45 p.m. The menu for December 10: Grilled Pork Chops, Sweet Potato Casserole, Baked Apples, Baby Limas, Rolls, Pecan Pie, Coffee, Sweet Tea.. Cost of meal is \$6.00 per person (*adult or child*).

**Lessons & Carols Service . . .** On Sunday, December 21 at 10:30 a.m., we will enjoy this traditional worship service. Our choirs and directors are working hard to put together some fine music for this service. Come and worship Emmanuell!

**“Advent Devotionals”** are available in the Narthex or on the table outside the church office. Please make sure to get your copy!

### **Christmas Eve Worship Schedule**

- 4:00 p.m.** Family Candlelight Service
- 10:30 p.m.** Candlelight Holy Communion Service

### **Christmas Day Worship Schedule**

- 10:00 a.m.** Candlelight Carol Communion Service

