



Poinsettias are available for \$11.00 each this year with foil and a bow. Please contact the office (910-295-6685) if you would like to have one or more named in the sanctuary in memory/honor of a loved one.

Ushers for the Advent Season:

On 12/11 - Tim Lea
 Danny Aldridge
 Eve Williamson
 Amber Clayton

Advent Candle Lighters: 12/11 – Josh, Ashley and Austyn McKenzie

Upcoming Events

The Session approved giving the congregation the opportunity to participate in a **TOY DRIVE** for the UNC Children’s Cancer Center. Ariana Maness, granddaughter of Mike Marion, was a patient there over several years’ time. She is a leukemia survivor.



A few suggestions for items would be: hats, headbands, beanies, toys, board games, blankets, craft supplies, puzzles, flip flops or slippers, coloring or activity books and crayons. Everything should be left in original packaging to decrease the potential for spreading germs. An online option is Operation Santa (UNC Children’s



Hospital gift donation list).

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/holiday/32QRZO61XQXKF/guest>

Anyone interested in participating in this effort, please have your items at the church by **Sunday, Dec 11**. We will place a box in the sunroom for donations. Thank you for making a sick child smile!

We thank the members of the 2022 Nominating Committee for their willingness to serve. The following were elected at last Sunday's congregational meeting: Audrey Chacon, Wade Garner, Janie Taylor, Darlene Valitutto, Gavin Washington, Mary Ruth Whitaker, and Eve Williamson. This committee will be responsible for identifying and bringing to the congregation, nominees to serve as Session members (active elders) for new terms beginning in January 2023.



Wed. Dec 7th – Circle One will meet at 10:30 am.

Thurs. Dec 8th – Circle Two will meet at 6:00 pm.

Sun. Dec 11th – **Christmas music** by different Culdee music groups during Worship Service.



6:00 pm **Childrens program** and hymn sing.

Mon. Dec 12th – Finance will meet at 5:00 pm
 Session will meet at 6:30 pm.

Tues. Dec 13th – Circle Three will meet at 6:00 pm with Teresa Cole

Sat. Dec 24th – 7:00 pm **Christmas Eve Candle Light Service.**

Sun. Dec 25th – 10:00 am **Christmas Day Worship Service.**



On Sunday, January 1st, you'll have the opportunity to enjoy a traditional **New Year's meal** of pulled pork barbeque, collard greens, black-eyed peas, cornbread and dessert. This is a fundraiser for missions, with plans to serve the church family following worship, then open the event to the community at noon. Meals will be offered until 3:00 p.m. or until all the food has been sold. Plates will be \$10 each, and we hope to have enough volunteers to serve dine-in as well as take-out. There are more details in the December newsletter.