

November 30, 2025
First Sunday of Advent



**Proclaim the Word and equip disciples to draw
others into a relationship with Jesus.**

Welcome to Mauldin Methodist

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Dr. Webb Belangia

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, where God's peace reigns and His truth is taught.

All: We come to learn His ways and walk in His paths.

Leader: The time is near to awaken from sleep; salvation is closer than when we first believed.

All: Let us put on the armor of light and walk in the Lord's peace.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who calls us to live as children of the day.

All: We come to worship and walk in the light of Christ.

HYMN (No. 196)

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE-HOPE

Ray, Amy Dowlen and Hunter Waldrop (8:45)

Lee, Vanessa, Dylan and Emma Hamm (11:00)

Reader: Today we light the first candle of Advent, the candle of Hope. In the midst of uncertainty, we hold fast to the promise that our hope is in the Lord.

Isaiah 9:2.....The People walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

As we light this candle, we remember that Jesus is the hope of the world. May this flame remind us to place our trust in the promises of God, who is faithful to redeem and restore. Lord of Hope, as we begin this Advent season, kindle in us a remarkable hope. Help us to trust in Your promises and share the light of Your hope with those around us.

We light the first candle for hope.

Congregation: Come Lord Jesus, our Hope. Reign in our hearts and in our world.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Mr. James Douglas

SERMON-Isaiah 2:1-5

Dr. Webb Belangia

The Mountain of the Lord

HYMN (No. 211)

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Van Broad

OFFERTORY SPECIAL

DOXOLOGY (No. 94)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Van Broad

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

HYMN (No. 504)

“The Old Rugged Cross”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

During worship childcare is offered for children six-weeks-K4. Kids Connection is offered at 11am for ages K5-3rd grade.

Welcome to The Forge

THE APOSTLES' CREED

WELCOME/PRAYER

Jon Brooks

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE-HOPE

Michele Allison, Jamie Sutton, and Elizabeth Shorey

SONG OF WORSHIP

"Living Hope"

SONG OF WORSHIP

"Long Expected"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jon Brooks

SONG OF PRAYER

"Away in A Manger"

SONG OF PRAYER

"Way Maker"

CONNECT TIME

During this time please meet and greet those around you, bring your offering to the offering baskets located at the front and in the balcony, register your attendance on the pew pad, take a restroom break, and refill your coffee cup.

SERMON-Isaiah 2:1-5

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SENDING FORTH

"Come and Worship"

BENEDICTION

During worship childcare is available for ages Infant-K4 and Children's Church is available for ages K5-3rd grade.

Poinsettias for Advent

Today is the deadline for Poinsettia orders. Help decorate the Sanctuary and The Forge this Advent season by purchasing a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one or friend. Each poinsettia is \$15. Order forms are available in the Sanctuary and The Forge, or you may also order and pay through Realm.

Love Your Neighbor Christmas Party

Ladies, mark your calendars for Sunday, December 7th, 2:30-4:30 PM, for our next gathering of our Sisterhood Women's Ministry. We will gather in The Forge for a special time together-maybe even a hot chocolate bar! We'll be preparing our hearts for Christmas as we bless local children with Angel stocking stuffers. Feel free to wear you festive sweaters, shirts and holiday jewelry. This is going to be fun!!!!

Community Meal-December 23

Eric McKee has graciously committed to preparing a special Christmas meal for our Community on December 23rd. There are many ways to help: contributing toward the cost of the food, assisting Eric in the kitchen, setting up and taking down tables, greeting our neighbors as they arrive, sharing in fellowship, and helping with clean-up. If you can serve in any way, please contact Eric at eric.mckeesr@gmail.com or 864-354-4215.

2026 Estimate of Giving

Thank you to the 180 families who have already submitted their 2026 Estimate of Giving cards. We are still hoping to receive a few more, as 212 households pledged for 2025. It's never too late to share your commitment for 2026. Cards are available in the Son Room and The Forge, you can submit your pledge online through Realm, or simply call Christi in the Business Office. Thank you for your faithful and continued support of the ministry of MMC.

For Your Prayers

Please email prayer requests to pray@mauldinmethodist.com

Deepest sympathy to Angie, Josh, Turner, and Joy Smith as they grieve the passing of Angie's mother, Mrs. Linda Page.

Giving praise for the birth of Imogen Rose Brogdon on November 23, 2025. Proud grandparents are Jeff and Lynne Brogdon.

Jacob Williams

This week's Senior Adult focus

Claudine Alexander

Ruth Armstrong

Eloise Alexander

Rosa Jane Brown

Missionaries

Jeff & Candy Campbell

Stephen & Jean Dunlap

Steve Hendrix

Local, National and Global

Our Nation and Our Leaders

Those in our community experiencing food insecurity

Military

Joshua Moore

Eli May

Long Term Prayer List

Cindy Dunn

Evelyn Gooch

Barry Aughtry

Kaylie Chinn

Fredna Scott

Janice Wilson

Eileen Smith

Robin Floyd

Gwen Rice

Wayne Cooper

Deedie Belangia

Marilyn Davidson

Alan Boyer

Terry Porter

Mike Keller

Judie & Larry Daniels

Toby Constance

Haley, Waylon, & Walker

Levi Holmes

Joe Levy

Samuel Hood

Terry Porter

Gina Siegel

Wayne & Lana Henson

Jim Cady

Chris & Amy Hart

Caroline Belangia

Tammy Cason

Joan Kenney

Sally Evans

ADVENT

AT MAULDIN

December 14-11:00 AM- *Messiah*
presented by The Chancel Choir

December 14-5:00 PM
Prayer and Healing Service

December 17-5:30 PM- Family Fun Night
with a Taco Bar and Christmas Bingo

December 23-5:30 PM-Community Meal

December 24-3:00 PM-*Behold the Lamb of God*,
presented by The Forge Band

December 24-5:30 PM-Child centered
Worship Service in The Forge

December 24-7:30 PM-Traditional Worship
in the Sanctuary

November 30

8:45am-Worship
10am-Sunday School
11am-Worship
4:30pm-Handbells
5:00pm-Youth (6th-12th)

December 2

9:30am-4 P's
1:00pm-Backpack Ministry
5:30pm-Community Meal
7:00pm-Mauldin Young Life

December 3

9:40am-Friendly Yarns
10:00am-Study of Mark
6:30pm-MKids Jr. Choir
6:30pm-Mkids
6:30pm-Youth
7:30pm-Choir Practice

December 4

6:30pm-Martha Circle
7:00pm-Meyers Small Group

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