

PRAY EVERY DAY December 25, 2022 Resource

*Praying the Psalms: Psalm 98:1, 4-6 (NRSV)*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.  
Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,  
with the lyre and the sound of melody.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

O sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done marvelous things.

*Hymn "O Come, All Ye Faithful" by John F. Wade*

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

*Refrain*

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

True God of true God, Light from Light Eternal,  
lo, he shuns not the Virgin's womb;  
Son of the Father, begotten, not created;

*The Bishop Sharma Lewis Read the Bible in 2022 Challenge (One Year Bible Reading Plan)*

You may find this plan on the Virginia Annual Conference website <https://vaumc.org>  
or pick up a copy at KUMC.

*The Bible in a Year with KUMC*

This plan is available at KUMC and on the church website. This plan can be started at  
anytime.

*Small Group or personal study*

- What was your furthest moment from God this week?
- What was your closest moment to God this week?
- Read John 1:1-14
- John 1:1-14 is full of images and descriptions for Jesus: the Word; with God; was God; life; light, became flesh, full of grace and truth. Which one of these ways of describing Jesus is most meaningful to you? Which one is most challenging?
- The Word did not only remain in heaven, and was not only talked about by prophets, and was not only written about in scripture. The Word put on flesh and lived with us in Jesus Christ who is known as Emmanuel which means "God is with us." What part of God's Word or Jesus Christ do you desire to be made real today? It might be a need for Jesus' forgiveness, healing, presence, or something else.

- Jesus came in ways that people could see, touch, feel, hear, and understand. Who do you know who may need the grace of God in their life this week? What is a tangible, physical, and real way you could share the grace of God with them this week?

*Spend time in silence*

*Prayer for others and yourself*

*The Lord's Prayer*

*Share the Love of Jesus because It's All about Relationships*

How will you or how did you share the love of Jesus with neighbor today with no strings attached?

*Praying the Psalms: Psalm 98:1, 7-9 (NRSV)*

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands;

let the hills sing together for joy

at the presence of the LORD,

for he is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness,

and the peoples with equity.

O sing to the LORD a new song,

for he has done marvelous things.