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'Miracle on 34th Street'

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(219) 932-5915 www.hammondfumc.org
Worship 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
December 1, 2019
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Junior Church: Cheryle Seljan Nursery: Mike Kizman
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Offertory Anthem                      *The Angel Gabriel*                      Chancel Choir  
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### Children's Time

Pat Mosley

Following Children's Time, children ages 1st through 5th grade are invited to go to Junior Church and children (birth through kindergarten) are very welcome in the Nursery. *Terrific* activity bags are available at the Welcome Center.

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