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CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY TONIGHT AT 7:00!

The signs of Christmas are everywhere. The important thing we must do for our children at Christmas is to make sure all these signs point to Jesus. Jesus, who came to earth a baby in a manger, to Christ who died for us on the Cross.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES AT 5:00 P.M. AND 9:00 P.M.



Hear again through scripture and song the wonderful gospel story of God's acts of salvation and grace in human history, culminating in the Incarnation in Jesus Christ. The service ends with a candlelight singing of *Silent Night*, and includes the Sacrament of Holy Communion. All Christians are welcome to partake of the Sacrament.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Frances Austin	Susan Huffman	Charlie Peeler
Nina Anderson	Doris Jackson	Russell Phelps
Tom Bready	Lucy Krull	Teresa Robbins
Rev. Scottie Brafford	Buddy Lewis	Jessica Royer
Monte Connell	Bernie Liles	Rachell Ruppe
Brynlee Crandall	Lori Lindley	Forrest Scott
Rain Critz	Nancy Lindsey	Carolyn Scruggs
Mary Jane Crotty	Wayne Locke	Adeline Shankle
Joe Daniels	Family of Mr. Winford	Sonny Sherrod
Shannon Daniels	(Sarge) Locke	Chad Stafford
Helen Davis	Tom Mason	Eddie Tate
Celia Demery	Peggy Massey	Leslie Trumbo
Betty Ferris	Edith McBride	Laurene Turner
Jeanette Hathcock	Walter McIntosh	Mae Belle Wright
	Rachel Neely	

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Poinsettias can be purchased to decorate the sanctuary December 15-29. **Deadline to order is Monday, December 9.** Cost is \$15.00 each

In Honor: _____

In Memory: _____

Given By: _____

Place this form in the offering plate, give to an usher or send to Church office.



You are requested to take the poinsettia with you after the Dec. 30 service.

CALENDAR DECEMBER 8 - DECEMBER 15

Sunday, December 8, 2013

- 9:45 a.m. UMW Hope Circle - Hope Classroom
- 11:00 a.m. Christmas Cantata, Chancel Choir - Sanctuary Broadcast live on WKBL-AM 1250 and online at www.covingtonfumc.com
- 1:00 p.m. Broadcast of Christmas Cantata on KBJ Cable TV, Channel 5 (city) and 19 (county)
- 5:00 p.m. UMYF
- 7:00 p.m. Children's Musical: *The Signs of Christmas* with Happy Birthday Jesus Party

Monday, December 9, 2013

- 6:00 p.m. Broadcast of Christmas Cantata on KBJ Cable TV, Channel 5 (city) and 19 (county)

Tuesday, December 10, 2013

- 10:30 a.m. UMW Martha Rebekah Circle - Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 p.m. Broadcast of Christmas Cantata on KBJ Cable TV, Channel 5 (city) and 19 (county)
- 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts/Venture Crew - Education Bldg.
- 6:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting - New Beginnings

Wednesday, December 11, 2013

- 5:00 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Children/Youth Caroling at Nursing Home
- 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl - Go Classroom
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, December 12, 2013

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Scouts - Fellowship Hall

Friday, December 13, 2013

- 6:00 p.m. Go Class Christmas Party - Fellowship Hall

Saturday, December 14, 2013

- 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry - Brighton - 7615 Hwy 51 S, Suite 103

Sunday, December 15, 2013

- 8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship - Chamber Center
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service
- 5:00 p.m. Enjoy Class Christmas Party -Susan Sampson's Home



ALL UNITED METHODIST WOMEN!

Mark your calendars for a new beginning! Informational meeting coming in January 2014!

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
COVINGTON, TN**
CHRISTMAS CANTATA
DECEMBER 8, 2013

AGNUS DEI
 Lamb of God & Born to us

A concert of worship for Christmas featuring the songs of *Michael W. Smith*

created by *David Hamilton* with *Dennis and Karla Worley*

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The liturgical color for the season of Advent is blue signifying hope. Purple is also used to remind us of the royalty of Christ.

* Denotes stand as you are able

WELCOME Tim Carpenter

*HYMN OF PRAISE 220 UMH (screen)
"Angels From the Realms of Glory" (*stanzas 1 - 4*)

ENTRANCE OF LIGHT AND CROSS

*APOSTLES CREED 881 UMH (screen)

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO
--Children are invited to go to Children's church at
this time. (Pre K - 2nd Grade)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Jeff, Melissa, Alexander and Andrew Mitchell

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Grace Phelps

OFFERTORY Chamber Orchestra
"Fanfare and Overture" (*Hamilton*)

"Agnus Dei" (arr. Smith)
Presented by the Chancel Choir
Justin Hanson, Piano
Bonnie Wright, Director
Narrator: Reverend Bill Franklin

"Lord, Have Mercy"
Incorporating "Agnus Dei," and
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

"Anthem for Christmas!"
Incorporating Emmanuel
David Enzor, Soloist

"Coventry Carol"
Incorporating "Surely He was Born for Us" and
"What Child is This?"
Marty Becton, Guitar
Cherri Freeman, Soloist

"Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming"
(Underscore)

"Gloria"
Incorporating "Lux Venit"
Ellen Clark, Soloist
Helene Kramer, Soloist
Catherine Phelps, Soloist

"No Eye Had Seen"
Incorporating "All is Well"
Grace and Keith Phelps, Soloists

"Come, Carolers"
Incorporating "Christmastime", "Hark! The Herald
Angels Sing", "O Little Town of Bethlehem",
and Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

"Agnus Dei"

"Silent Night, Holy Night"
(Underscore)

"Christmas Hymn"

BENEDICTION Tim Carpenter

POSTLUDE Justin Hanson, Organ
"Psalm XIX" (*Marcello*)

Chancel Choir

Sopranos

Bernadine Bierman
Ellen Clark
Doris Ann Gray
Helene Kramer
Barbara Lakey
Catherine Phelps
Kim Stewart
Jennifer Tyler

Altos

JoAnn Anderson
Leah Billings
Margaret Chind
Carol Daniel
Grace Phelps
Beth Ziarko

Basses

David Enzor
Bill Scruggs
Jim Smith
Roy Wrather

Tenors

Joey Caldwell
Gary Liles
Keith Phelps

Orchestra

Cello

Maria Rodriquez

Clarinet

Loralee Gipson
Glenice McKenzie

French Horn

Leander Starr

Flute

Sandra Cox

Harp

Julia Atkinson

Percussion

Zeke David
John Wood

Trombone

Justin Condron

Trumpet:

Mike McKenzie

Tuba

Zach Corpus

Viola

Natasia Boyko

Violin

Arron Powell
Stephanie Turnbow

Nativity

Joseph

Ethan Carpenter

Mary

Katelyn Stewart

Wisemen/Shepherds

Abbey Beasley
Leah Beasley
Bryan Elzie
Jillian Hunter
Jack Owen
Meredith Owen



Please mute your cell phone during worship