

UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS TODAY

MorningSong: Ray and Janice Newbill
Traditional Service: Phyllis Richmond and Brenda Wrather

CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Sara Palm and Joey Caldwell
Traditional Service: Charlotte Quinley and Stefanie Beasley

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Annette Maxwell and Meredith Owen
Traditional Service: Margaret Chind and Haylee Timberlake

PRAYER REQUESTS

Condolences to the family of:

Bob Hastings
Doris Ann Rogers Parkinson

Other Requests:

Nina Anderson
Donna Beard
James Boyd
Tom Bready
Shirley Bready
David Buchanan
Terry Clay (husband of
Rev. Sandra Clay)
Phronia Dailey
Richard Escue
Janice Sloan Faulk
Mike Fleming

Rebecca Harrison
Bob Hensley
Susan Huffman
Carole Hughey
Ricky Hunt
Greg Knox
Lori Butler Lindley
Nancy Lindsey
Peggy Massey
Edith McBride
Charlie Moss
James Neely
Rachel Neely
Jim Raynor
Bettye Shelley

Lauren Smith
Micah Soard
Betsy Sullivan
C.H. Sullivan IV
Nels Tanner
Betty Thomas
Suzanne Tipton
Jimmy Turner
Ross Via
Ashley Whaley
Bobby White
Camille Whitley
Jo Wigington
Martha Yarbrough

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT



Thank you to those who have responded to our 2015 Stewardship Campaign. As of December 18th, 133 commitments to prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness have been received and \$496,374.00 has been pledged. If you have been unable to respond, blue stewardship cards are available in the pews. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate or drop it by the church office during the week.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Christmas Eve services will take place Wednesday, December 24th. Join us in the Sanctuary as we "re-enact" at 5:00 p.m. and celebrate at 9:00 p.m., the Christmas story of Jesus, both through scripture and song. The service ends with a candlelight singing of *Silent Night*, and includes the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Children who would like to participate in the 5 p.m. service are invited to arrive a few minutes early and meet in the Fellowship Hall.



 If you ordered a poinsettia, you may take it with you after today's worship service. A tribute list is available on the ushers table. 

CALENDAR DECEMBER 21-28, 2014

Sunday, December 21 - March to the Manger

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship - Christian Life Center
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
1:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19

Monday, December 22

6:00 p.m. MorningSong Broadcast - KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19

Tuesday, December 23

12:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19

Wednesday, December 24- Christmas Eve

Church Offices Close at Noon
5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service - Sanctuary
9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service - Sanctuary

Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day

Merry Christmas!
Church Offices Closed

Friday, December 26

Church Offices Closed

Saturday, December 27

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry - Brighton

Sunday, December 28 - Rev. Grace Phelps Preaching

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship - Christian Life Center (CLC)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
1:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19

MARCH TO THE MANGER OFFERING



The "March to the Manger" special offering will be received today in addition to the regular weekly offering. You are invited to place your offering in the envelope provided and bring it to the altar during the closing song/hymn or place in the offering plate.

The Finance Committee has set one of the priorities of the offering for **Mission and Outreach through the Good Samaritan Fund**. The other priority is **replacing the roof over the New Beginnings/Cockrill-Gift Classroom**. You may designate your gift for one or both of these priorities.

CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY MAKE-UP DAY

There will be a make-up day for pictorial directory photos on Wednesday, January 7, 2015. Visit the church website and click on the link to schedule your portrait session. For more information, contact Sandy Burgess at the church office, 901-476-9694 or email sburgess_fumc@att.net.



SINGLE ADULT YOUNG WOMEN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Join us to help plan and organize your class at 9:45 a.m., Room 307 in the Education Building, beginning **Sunday, December 28**.



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2014 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The liturgical colors for the fourth Sunday of Advent are blue signifying hope and purple reminding us of the royalty of Christ.

*"Leading Others to Christ, Learning to Be Disciples,
Loving through Service."*



8:30 a.m.
Contemporary

*Denotes to please stand as you are able.

†Children (PreK-2nd Grade) are invited to attend Children's Church. Parents may pick up their children on the lower level of the Education Building.

GREETING Rev. Grace Phelps

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH Bill Hensley
Sherrie Wright

*PRAISE SONGS
"O Come All Ye Faithful"
"It Came Upon A Midnight Clear"

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Alyssa Burgess
Kristin Burgess

JOYS AND CONCERNS Rev. Phelps

PRAYER SONG "Away in a Manger"

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Rev. Phelps

THE LORD'S PRAYER


†OFFERING Praise Band
"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:26-38

SERMON "Touched by an Angel" Rev. Wade Cox

*CLOSING SONG
"Angels from the Realms of Glory"
(You are invited to bring your March to the Manger offering to the altar during the song.)

*BENEDICTION Rev. Cox



11:00 a.m.
Traditional

*Denotes to please stand as you are able.

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TFWS-The Faith We Sing

UMH-United Methodist Hymnal

WELCOME Rev. Grace Phelps

PRELUDE Justin Hanson, Organ
Bonnie Wright, Piano
"Carol Medley"
(arr. Pollack)

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH
Glenn and Beth Lockhart
Brenna Grace and Emma Leigh

*HYMN OF PRAISE UMH 220
"Angels from the Realms of Glory"

OFFERING PRAYER

OFFERTORY Justin Hanson, Piano
"In Heavenly Peace"
(arr. Phillips)

*DOXOLOGY

*HYMN OF PREPARATION UMH 218
"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

†PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Rev. Phelps

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM "Mary Did You Know"
(arr. Boch) Choir

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:26-38

SERMON "Touched by an Angel" Rev. Cox

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT UMH 240
"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"
(You are invited to bring your March to the Manger offering to the altar during the hymn.)

*BENEDICTION Rev. Cox

*CHORAL RESPONSE Choir
"Silent Night"

POSTLUDE Justin Hanson, Organ
"Sing Praise to God"
(arr. Broughton)

Sermon Notes: "Touched by an Angel"

Mary approaches the angel with _____.

Mary approaches the _____ with _____.

Mary approaches God with _____.