

### UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS TODAY

MorningSong: Frank and Barbra Racy  
Traditional Service: Sandra Naifeh and Nancy Peeler

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Sherrie Wright and Gil Erwin  
Traditional Service: Charlotte Quinley and Ben Brasfield

### NURSERY WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Laura Thornton and Lauren Smith  
Traditional Service: Daphne Dallner and Abby Beasley

### PRAYER REQUESTS

<b>Condolences to the family of:</b> Billy Joe Glenn Suzanne Tipton	Janice Sloan Faulk	Jim Raynor
	Mike Fleming	Bettye Shelley
<b>Other Requests:</b> Nina Anderson Donna Beard James Boyd Tom Bready Shirley Bready David Buchanan Terry Clay (husband of Rev. Sandra Clay) Phronia Dailey Jane Driver Richard Escue	Rebecca Harrison	Lauren Smith
	Carl Holland	Micah Soard
	Susan Huffman	Betsy Sullivan
	Carole Hughey	C.H. Sullivan IV
	Ricky Hunt	Nels Tanner
	Greg Knox	Betty Thomas
	Lori Butler Lindley	Jimmy Turner
	Nancy Lindsey	Ross Via
	Peggy Massey	Ashley Whaley
	Edith McBride	Camille Whitley
	Charlie Moss	Jo Wigington
	James Neely	Martha Yarbrough
	Rachel Neely	

### 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.



### YOUTH ACTIVITY - FUN DAY AND LOCK-IN

Youth will be meeting at 8:30 a.m. on **Monday, December 29th** for a day out with Munford UMC, then returning to the church for a lock-in at the Christian Life Center. Cost is \$30 for both fun day and lock-in, \$25 for just the Fun Day, and \$10 for just the lock-in. Pick up after the lock-in will be at 7:30 a.m. at the CLC. There will be permission slips for this on the bulletin board outside the CLC. For more information, please contact Sara Palm at 901-451-0363 or email sara.r.palm@gmail.com



### CALENDAR DECEMBER 28, 2014-JANUARY 3, 2015

#### Sunday, December 28

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 29

8:30 a.m. Youth Fun Day - Meet at Church  
6:00 p.m. MorningSong Broadcast - KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19  
7:30 p.m. Youth Lock-in - Christian Life Center

#### Tuesday, December 30

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

#### Wednesday, December 31- New Year's Eve

No evening church activities

#### Thursday, January 1 - New Year's Day

Church Offices Closed

#### Saturday, January 3

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry - Covington

### COVENANT RENEWAL SERVICE SUNDAY, JANUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>

On the first Sunday of the New Year, January 4<sup>th</sup>, we will join together in a service of covenant renewal with God in our times of worship. The heart of the service, focused in the Covenant Prayer, invites persons to commit themselves to God. All are invited as we participate in this covenant renewal followed by communion at both services.

### MARCH TO THE MANGER OFFERING



Thank you for your generous gifts given to the "March to the Manger" offering.

Gifts received for **Mission and Outreach through the Good Samaritan Fund** were \$1,989.50. Gifts received for **replacing the roof over the New Beginnings/ Cockrill-Gift Classroom** were \$2,110.50.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM KICKOFF

Wednesday night programs for all ages will begin January 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Due to an IRS ruling, tax-deductible contributions to the church must be turned in or postmarked by December 31, 2014.**

### CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY MAKE-UP DAY

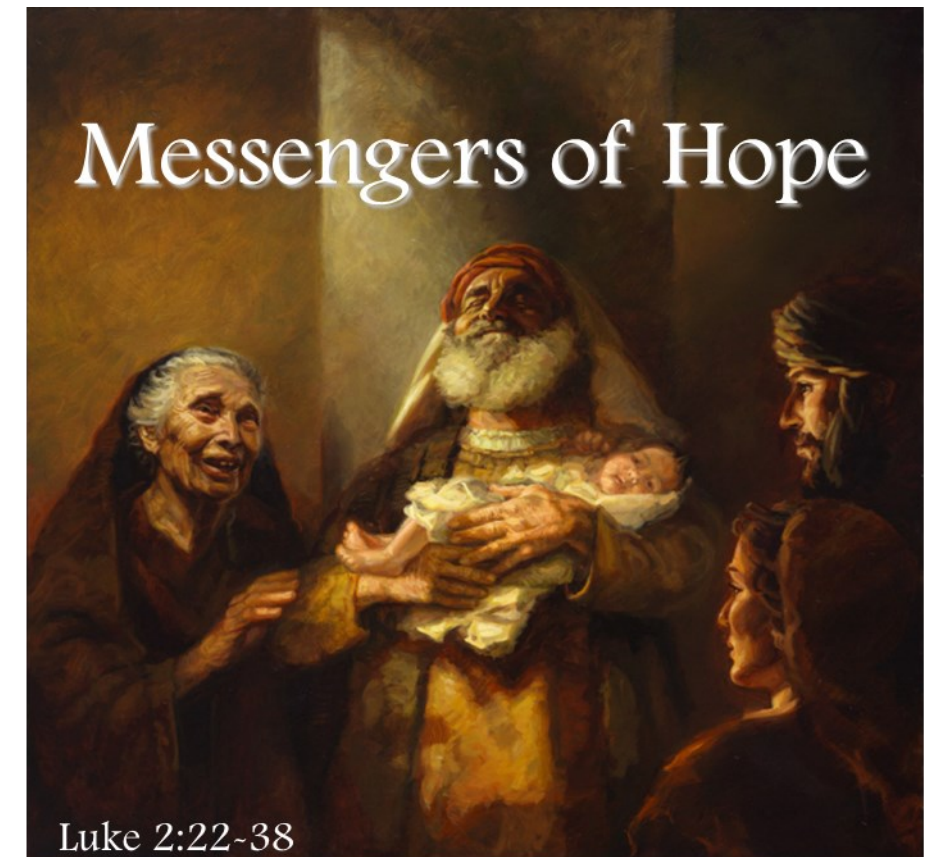
There will be a make-up day for pictorial directory photos on Wednesday, January 7, 2015. Visit the church website and click on the link to schedule your portrait session. For more information, contact Sandy Burgess at the church office, 901-476-9694 or email sburgess\_fumc@att.net.



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## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2014 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

The liturgical colors for the first Sunday after Christmas is white signifying the purity of Christ.

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



**Morning Song**  
An Outreach of Praise and Worship  
Of First United Methodist Church

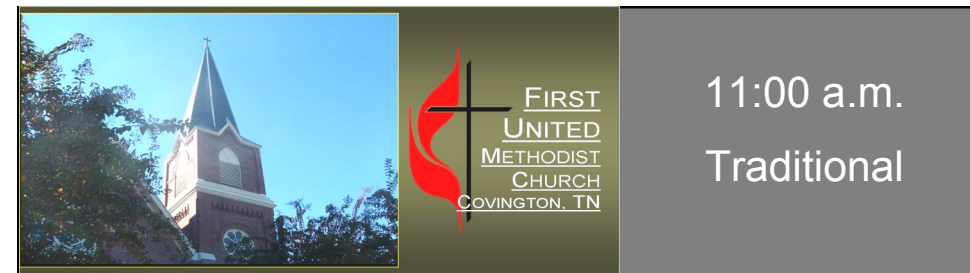
8:30 a.m.  
Contemporary

CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER  
Covington, TN 38019

\*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	Tim Wallace
*PRAISE SONGS	
	“Joy to the World” “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Tim Wallace
SCRIPTURE READING	Kathy Wallace
	Isaiah 11:1-10
JOYS AND CONCERNS	Tim Wallace
PRAYER SONG	“Away in a Manger”
PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE	Tim Wallace
THE LORD'S PRAYER	
†OFFERING	Praise Band
	“Beautiful Star of Bethlehem”
SCRIPTURE	Luke 2:22-38
SERMON	Rev. Grace Phelps
	“Messengers of Hope”
*CLOSING SONG	
	“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”
*BENEDICTION	Rev. Phelps



11:00 a.m.  
Traditional

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TFWS-The Faith We Sing

UMH-United Methodist Hymnal

WELCOME	Ray Newbill
PRELUDE	Justin Hanson, Organ Bonnie Wright, Piano
	“Joy to the World” (arr. Bock)
*HYMN OF PRAISE	UMH 224
	“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”
THE NICENE CREED	UMH 880
*GLORIA PATRI	
SCRIPTURE READING	Ray Newbill
	Isaiah 11:1-10
OFFERING PRAYER	
OFFERTORY	Justin Hanson, Organ
	“A Christmas Mosaic” (arr. Chesterson)
*DOXOLOGY	
*HYMN OF PREPARATION	UMH 249
	“There's a Song in the Air”
†PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE	Ray Newbill
THE LORD'S PRAYER	

ANTHEM	“Glory to God in the Highest” (arr. Lantz)	Choir
SCRIPTURE	Luke 2:22-38	
SERMON	Rev. Grace Phelps	
	“Messengers of Hope”	
*HYMN OF COMMITMENT	UMH 251	
	“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”	
*BENEDICTION	Rev. Phelps	
*CHORAL RESPONSE	Choir	
	“Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace”	
POSTLUDE	Justin Hanson, Organ	
	“A Song of Rejoicing” (arr. Thygerson)	