

### UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS TODAY

MorningSong: Frank and Barbra Racy  
Traditional Service: Arnold Bull and Tom Rogers

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Charlotte Quinley and McKenzie Howard  
Traditional Service: Martha McDaniel and Susan Sampson

### NURSERY WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Angela Clark and Lauren Smith  
Traditional Service: Jamie Glenn and Raygan Escue

### PRAYER REQUESTS

<b>Condolences to the family of:</b> Lillie Mae Glass Lynn Sanders	Rebecca Harrison	Rachel Neely
	Carl Holland	Jim Raynor
<b>Other Requests:</b> Nina Anderson Donna Beard James Boyd Tom Bready Shirley Bready Terry Clay (husband of Rev. Sandra Clay) Mike Fleming Alma Ford	Susan Huffman	Lauren Smith
	Carole Hughey	Micah Soard
	Ricky Hunt	Betsy Sullivan
	Lloyd O'Neal Kimery	C.H. Sullivan IV
	Greg Knox	Suzanne Tipton
	Lori Butler Lindley	Jimmy Turner
	Nancy Lindsey	Ashley Whaley
	Peggy Massey	Camille Whitley
	Edith McBride	Jo Wigington
	Charlie Moss	Debbie Wilson
James Neely	Martha Yarbrough	

### CARL PERKINS STAR TREE



The Hope Class has set up the Carl Perkins Star Tree in the Fellowship Hall with instructions and gift requests from the children served by the Center. Please drop off your unwrapped gifts today.

### CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY



Photos will be taken December 9-13th. Visit the church website [www.covingtonfumc.com](http://www.covingtonfumc.com) and click on the link to schedule your portrait session. For more information, contact the church office, 901-476-9694.

### STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT



Thank you to those who responded to our 2015 Stewardship Campaign. As of November 26th, 96 commitments to prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness have been received and \$378,620.00 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.

### CALENDAR NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 6, 2014

#### Sunday, November 30

- 8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship - Christian Life Center
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Charge Conference
- 1:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19
- 5:30 p.m. Advent Processional with Chamber Singers - St. Matthew's Episcopal, First Presbyterian, First United Methodist. Chili supper following service.

#### Monday, December 1

- 6:00 p.m. Disciple Bible Study - New Beginnings Classroom
- 6:00 p.m. MorningSong Broadcast - KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19
- 6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting - Fellowship Hall

#### Tuesday, December 2 - Giving Tuesday

- 12:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19
- 6:00 p.m. Scout Groups - Lower Level of Education Building and Fellowship Hall

#### Wednesday, December 3

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Advent Study-New Beginnings Classroom
- 5:00 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal - CLC
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Play Practice - Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice
- 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl - Go Classroom
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice - Sanctuary

#### Thursday, December 4

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Young Women's Bible Study - Caldwell Home
- 6:00 p.m. UMW Christmas Dinner - Christian Life Center

#### Friday, December 5

- 5:30 p.m. Children's Dinner and Christmas Play Practice - Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary

#### Saturday, December 6

- 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry - Covington
- 10:00 a.m. Children's Play Practice & Decorate Fellowship Hall

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY

Sunday, December 7th at 6:30 p.m., you're invited to the greatest birthday celebration ever! Join us in the Sanctuary as the Children's Department performs "The Best Christmas Present Ever" followed by a Happy Birthday Jesus party in the Fellowship Hall.



### WOMEN'S ADVENT STUDY

The Thursday morning Advent study that was to begin December 4th has been changed to the following schedule:

- Wednesday, December 3
- Wednesday, December 10
- Wednesday, December 17
- Tuesday, December 23



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## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2014 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The liturgical colors for the first Sunday of Advent are blue signifying hope or 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

\*PRAISE SONGS "Shout to the Lord"  
"Blessed Be Your Name"

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Phelps

LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH Rose Glanz  
Sara Palm

JOYS AND CONCERNS Rev. Phelps

PRAYER SONG "Give Thanks"

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Rev. Phelps

THE LORD'S PRAYER

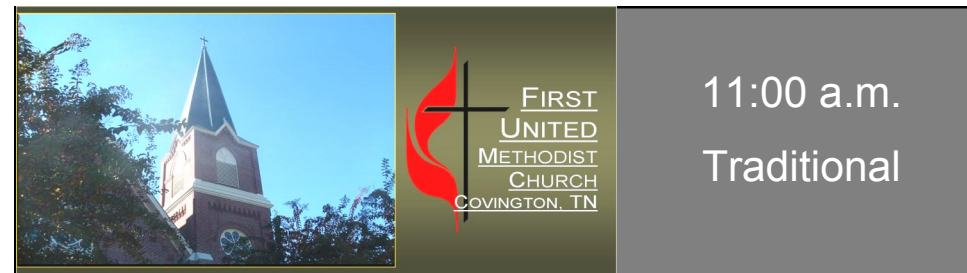
†OFFERING Praise Band  
"How Majestic is Your Name"

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 9:1-7

SERMON Rev. Wade Cox  
"Breaking News"

\*CLOSING SONG  
"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Cox



11:00 a.m.  
Traditional

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TFWS-The Faith We Sing

UMH-United Methodist Hymnal

WELCOME Rev. Grace Phelps

PRELUDE Justin Hanson, Organ  
Bonnie Wright, Piano  
"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"  
(arr. Bock)

RESPONSIVE CALL Rev. Phelps  
How shall we prepare this house  
for the coming of the king?  
**With branches of cedar to symbolize royalty.**  
How shall we prepare this house  
for the coming of the eternal Christ?  
**With a wreath of candles to remember  
the light of Christ.**  
How shall we prepare this house  
for the coming of the Savior?  
**With a manger scene and tree,  
to await the arrival for the one who brings life.**  
How shall we prepare our hearts  
for the coming of the Son of God?  
**By hearing the words of Scripture  
foretelling the saving work of God.**  
Surely God did not send the Son into the world  
to condemn the world, but that the world,  
through him, might be saved.  
**Glory to God in the highest!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE UMH 211  
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

\*WORDS OF PREPARATION Rev. Phelps

HANGING OF THE GREENS  
The Greenery Will and Sara Carter  
The Scripture Isaiah 61:1-3  
The Tradition

The Advent Wreath Phil, Laura, John & Jimmy Richardson  
The Scripture Isaiah 9:2, 6-7  
The Tradition

The Creche John, Kacee, Olivia & Elizabeth McCalla  
The Scripture Jeremiah 23:5-6  
The Tradition

The Crismon Tree Tom and Lisa Rogers  
The Scripture \*John 14:4-7  
The Tradition

The Light  
Aaron, Daphne, Aubrey, Connor & Charlotte Dallner  
The Scripture \*John 1:1-5, 9-14  
The Tradition

†PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Rev. Phelps

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Justin Hanson, Piano  
"Sing We All of Christmas"  
(arr. Phillips)

\*DOXOLOGY

ANTHEM "A Voice Cries Out" Choir  
(arr. Larson)

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 9:1-7

SERMON "Breaking News" Rev. Cox

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT UMH 196  
"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Cox

\*CHORAL RESPONSE Choir  
"Silent Night"

POSTLUDE Justin Hanson, Organ  
"Postlude on 'Antioch'"  
(arr. Peterson)