

### UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS TODAY

MorningSong: Volunteers Needed  
 Traditional Service: Sandra Naifeh and Nancy Peeler

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Charlotte Quinley and McKenzie Howard  
 Traditional Service: Jaime Hunter and Kristi Escue

### NURSERY WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Jennifer Winberry and Katelyn Stewart  
 Traditional Service: Kacee McCalla and Raygen Escue

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Billy Anderson	Carol Fenton	Pete McDow
J.C. Bailey	Lisa Flanders	Charlie Moss
Donna Beard	Mike Fleming	James Neely
Earl Beckett	Thad Glenn	Bobby Pace
Inette Bennett	Cindy Graves	Joyce Richardson
L.C. Bierman	Rusty Hamilton	Larry Roy
Mark Billingsley	Orbin Holland	Carolynn Scruggs
Tom Bready	Linda Holt	Dave Seagrave
John Erik Bryant	Becky Horstkoetter	George Robert Shoaf
David Buchanan	Carole Hughey	Neal Simonton
Don Chastain	Ricky Hunt	Buddy Smith
Clara Conley	Mykle Johnson	Chad Smith
Gloria Cook	Jean Jones	Jimmy Turner
Bobby Coulston	Mary L. Kimery	Laurene Turner
Phronia Dailey	Greg Knox	Tripp Turner
Darryl Dickerson	Lori Butler Lindley	Ashley Whaley
Billy Dycus	Peggy Massey	Bart White
Jack Allen Edwards	Wallace Mathis	Jo Wigington
Claudine Elder	Edith McBride	Dr. Barney Witherington III
	Catherine McCalla	Martha Yarbrough

### WOMEN'S ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

A new study will begin **Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>** and continue through December 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the New Beginnings classroom. *"While We Wait: Living the Questions of Advent"*, offers new ways of connecting the biblical story with your own questions of faith and approaches an all-too-familiar narrative from perspectives we may have missed. It allows for real-life struggles and questions as a part of Advent's spiritual exploration.



The cost of study books is \$10 and they are available in the Christian Life Center and in the hallway leading to the Sanctuary .

### CARL PERKINS STAR TREES

The HOPE Class has set up two Carl Perkins Star Trees; one in the Fellowship Hall and one in the lobby of the Christian Life Center. Please choose a star from the tree, find that child's list on the table, and find the item on the list that matches the star you chose. Write your name and phone number next to the item. Attach the paper star to the unwrapped gift and return it to the Fellowship Hall no later than **November 30<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you for your support of this great ministry!



### CALENDAR NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 5, 2015

#### Sunday, November 29

- 8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship-Christian Life Center
- 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
- 6:00 p.m. Hanging of the Greens Service-Sanctuary

#### Monday, November 30

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

#### Tuesday, December 1

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting-Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Retired Teacher's Association Meeting-CLC
- 12:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19
- 6:00 p.m. Scout Groups-Education Bldg. and Fellowship Hall

#### Wednesday, December 2

- 9:30 a.m. Advent Bible Study-New Beginnings Classroom
- 12:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19
- 5:00 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal-Christian Life Center
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Gathering-Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study: Youth-Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Play Practice-Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice-Choir Room
- 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl-Go Classroom
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice-Choir Room

#### Thursday, December 3

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast-Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. United Methodist Women's Christmas Dinner-CLC

#### Friday, December 4

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

#### Saturday, December 5

- 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry-Covington
- 10:00 a.m. Children's Play Practice-Sanctuary

### HANGING OF THE GREENS SERVICE

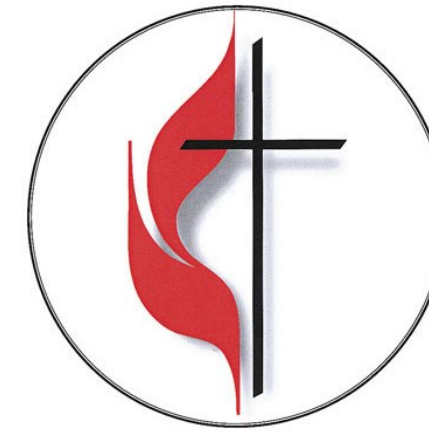


A Hanging of the Greens service will take place this evening at **6:00 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. A potluck chili dinner will follow in the Christian Life Center. **Please bring a pot of chili** for the supper to the Christian Life Center kitchen before the service. The church will provide desserts.

### STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT

Thank you to those who responded to our 2016 Stewardship Campaign. As of November 24<sup>th</sup>, 90 commitments to prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness have been received and \$395,558.00 has been pledged. If you have been unable to respond, yellow 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.

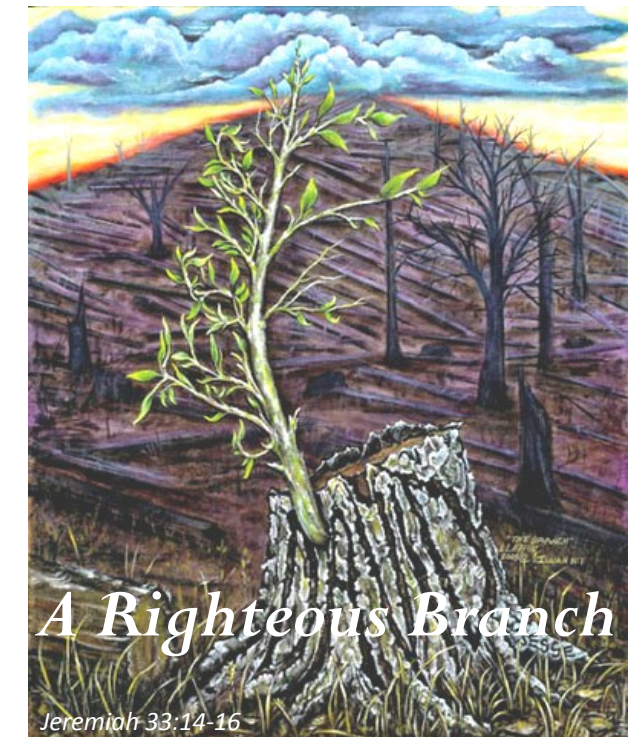
**Sunday, December 13th One Worship Service-8:30 a.m. Potluck Breakfast; 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; 11:00 a.m. Cantata**



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## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2015 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The liturgical colors for the first 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."*



**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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Grace Phelps

\*PRAISE SONGS  
     "You Are Holy"  
     "Blessed Be Your Name"

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH  
     Adam and Elizabeth Miller Family

JOYS AND CONCERNS Rev. Phelps

PRAYER SONG "Be With Me, Lord Jesus"

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Rev. Phelps

THE LORD'S PRAYER

†OFFERING Praise Band  
     "How Majestic is Your Name"

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 33:14-16

SERMON Rev. Wade Cox  
     "A Righteous Branch"

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

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

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Cox



11:00 a.m.  
**Traditional Service**

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
 COVINGTON, TN

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TFWS-*The Faith We Sing* UMH-*United Methodist Hymnal*

WELCOME Rev. Grace Phelps

PRELUDE Justin Hanson, Organ  
     "O Worship the King"  
     (arr. Ritter)

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

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH  
     Shannon and Stefanie Beasley Family

OFFERING PRAYER Rev. Phelps

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

\*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

ANTHEM Choir

†PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Rev. Phelps

THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION Screen  
     "The Lord is Near"  
     (arr. Garland)

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 33:14-16

SERMON Rev. Wade Cox  
     "A Righteous Branch"

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT UMH 209  
     "Blessed Be the God of Israel"

BENEDICTION Rev. Cox

\*CHORAL RESPONSE Choir  
     "Emmanuel"

POSTLUDE Justin Hanson, Organ  
     "The Clarion Call"  
     (arr. Paxton)

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Sermon Notes: "A Righteous Branch"