

PRAYER REQUESTS

Condolences to the family of: Robert "Bobby" Davie Clara Nell Williams	Rachel Carpenter Terri Rice Chumley Phronia Dailey Kevin Ezell Hannah Hartney Lorna Keahey Janet Klutts Bernie Liles Lori Butler Lindley Donna Luckey Wallace Mathis	Carole Moseley Charlie Moss James Neely Lisa Rickard Carolynn Scruggs Jean Simonton BJ Smith Mary Jo Swain Hazel Townsend Jimmy Turner Dr. Barney Witherington III
Other Requests: Bobby Anderson Allan Ashford Donna Beard Earl Beckett Tom Bready Arnold Bull Joe Campodonico		

UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS TODAY

One Worship:
Sandra Naifeh and Nancy Peeler

CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS TODAY

One Worship:
Lydia Anderson, Laura Richardson, Brooke Shipley, Maddie Smith

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY

One Worship:
Raygen Escue, Christal Fisher, Anna Marie Peeler, Lauren Smith

CHURCH INFORMATION

If you are interested in learning more about the church, classes or activities offered, please pick-up a brochure located in the lobby of the Christian Life Center or on the table in the hallway leading to the Sanctuary. If you would like a tour of the church or would like more information, please contact the church office by calling 901-476-9694 or emailing www.covingtonfumc.com.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES & NURSERY INFORMATION

Join us as we "re-enact" at 8:30 a.m. and celebrate at 11:00 a.m. the birth of Jesus and the light he brought to the world. The 8:30 a.m. service will be a casual - come as you are - worship (pajamas welcome) in the Christian Life Center. Costumes will be available for the children to be the nativity characters. The 11:00 service will be held in the Sanctuary. All are invited.

A nursery will be provided for the Christmas Eve service at 6:00 p.m., December 24th. Nursery will not be provided for the 8:30 a.m. service Christmas Day, but will be for the 11:00 service.

COVENANT RENEWAL SERVICE SUNDAY, JANUARY 1ST

On the first Sunday of the New Year, January 1st, 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.



CALENDAR DECEMBER 18-DECEMBER 24, 2016

Sunday, December 18-One Worship

- 9:30 a.m. Potluck Breakfast-Christian Life Center
Sunday School (times to be determined by each class)
- 11:00 a.m. Choir Cantata-Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast of Traditional Service-WKBL 1250AM
- 1:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Small Groups meet in the Christian Life Center

Monday, December 19

- 5:00 p.m. Youth Praise Team Practice-Christian Life Center
- 6:00 p.m. MorningSong Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19

Tuesday, December 20

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting-Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19
- 6:30 p.m. Scouts Meet-Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, December 21

- 3:00 p.m. Youth Activity at Memphis Zoo
- 4:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal-Christian Life Center
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice-Sanctuary

Thursday, December 22

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast-Fellowship Hall

Saturday, December 24

- 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry-Munford UMC
- 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service-Sanctuary

UPCOMING CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:

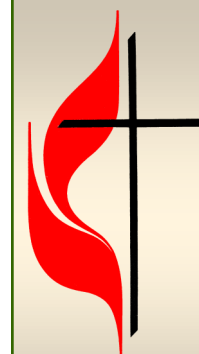
- December 24th-6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service-Sanctuary
- December 25th-8:30 a.m. Casual Interactive Service/
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service-Sanctuary

MARCH TO THE MANGER OFFERING

The "March to the Manger" special offering will be received in addition to the regular weekly offering **today** during our one worship service at 11:00 a.m. and during Communion at the Christmas Eve Service at 6:00 p.m. Envelopes are now available on the front table in the Christian Life Center and in the Sanctuary on the ushers table.



The offering is annually dedicated to particular priorities as determined by the Trustees and Finance Committees. Three priorities are given to this year's special offering. One priority is for a **Van Fund**. Other priorities are for Mission and Outreach for **United Methodist Neighborhood Centers-Mason/Braden Initiative** (this initiative has been authorized by the Metro District and is seeking to use the vacant Northwest Elementary School in Braden as a special outreach and community center offering opportunities such as tutoring, athletic teams, and senior activities) and **Bread of Life Food Pantry Fund**. You may designate your gift for one or all of these priorities.



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
COVINGTON, TN

Christmas Cantata

DECEMBER 18, 2016

Email: covingtonfumc@covingtonfumc.com

Phone: 901-476-9694

LET THERE BE CHRISTMAS

A CANTATA BY
JOSEPH M. MARTIN

SHAWNEE PRESS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WELCOME Rev. Wade Cox

PRELUDE Justin Hanson, Organ
Bonnie Wright, Piano
“Christmas Praise”
(arr. Phillips)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH
Joel and McKenzie Howard Family

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Rev. Cox

THE LORD’S PRAYER

†OFFERTORY Orchestra Ensemble

“Let There Be Christmas”

(arr. Martin)

Presented by the Chancel Choir

*Justin Hanson, Piano
Bonnie Wright, Director*

“The Divine Expectation”

Let There be Peace Liz Newman

“Concertato on “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Let There be Love Rev. Bill Franklin

“Carols from a Quiet Manger”

Helene Kramer, Soloist

Let There be Joy Jan Sanford

“Arise!”

Let There be Wonder Steve Clark

“Bleak Midwinter’s Gift”

Let There be Grace Charlotte Quinley

“Let There Be Christmas”

Let There be Life Glenn and Jenny Lazure

“A Joyful Gathering of Carols”

“Christmas Overture and Processional”

Let There be Faith Melissa Clark

“The Advent Rose”

Carole Mathis, Soloist

Let There be Hope Philip Sigler

BENEDICTION Rev. Cox

POSTLUDE Orchestra Ensemble

**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.*

Chancel Choir

Sopranos:

Bernadine Bierman
Doris Ann Gray
Susan Huffman
Helene Kramer
Barbara Lakey
Catherine Phelps
Amy Shrum
Kim Stewart
Sloane Sullivan

Altos:

JoAnn Anderson
Rhonda Castleman
Ellen Clark
Lane Clark
Molly Griffin
Carole Mathis
Olivia McCalla
Katelyn Stewart
Beth Ziarko

Tenors:

Joey Caldwell
Chris Croteau
Gary Liles
Keith Phelps

Basses:

David Enzor
Mark Shrum
John Wood
Roy Wrather

Bell Choir

Amy Baltimore
Martha Brasfield
Ann Caldwell
Chris Croteau
Cynthia Ford

Jamie Glenn
Donna Jones
Melissa Mitchell
Alice Sigler
Emily Sigler

Orchestra

Bass:

Joel Schnackel

Cello:

Joseph Miller

Clarinet:

Glenice McKenzie

Flute:

Sandra Cox

French Horn:

Leander Starr

Harp:

Julia Atkinson

Percussion:

Derrick Greene

Trumpet:

Mike McKenzie

Viola:

Grace Carbonalle

Violin

Mark Carbonalle

Poinsettia tributes decorating the CLC and Sanctuary:

In Honor of:

Cathy Adams by Gwen Glass

Billy Anderson by Terry Anderson Sykes

George Robert, Erin and George Weston Baddour by Roy and Brenda Wrather

Aliza Banks by Gary and Julie Chandler

Pam Beckley by Jerry and Connie Beckley

Mrs. L.C. Bierman by Paul, Becky, Peter and Leah

Peggy Blankenship by Donna Jones

Gary and Julie Chandler by Hartley and Chandler Howard

Jack Allen Edwards by Mom, Dad, LeeLee, Poppa and Jacob

Henry Jr. and Betty Glass by Gwen Glass

Mary Goddard by Lois Twohig

Hartley and Chandler Howard by Gary and Julie Chandler

Sue Jones by Leonard and Brenda Moss and Family

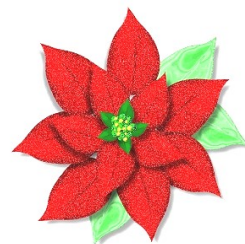
Rhett Kircher by Gary and Julie Chandler

Carolyn Locke by Keith, Brenda and Bryan Elzie

Keith Phelps by Jan Phelps

The Seagrave Family by Marlyn Seagrave

Betty Shelley by Van and Pam Shelley



*If you purchased a poinsettia,
please take it after the service
on December 25th.*

Poinsettia tributes decorating the CLC and Sanctuary:

In Memory of:

Anita Anderson by Terry Anderson Sykes

Melvin and Beulah Anderson by Larry and JoAnn Anderson

Dr. L.C. Bierman by Paul, Becky, Peter and Leah

Ralph and Virginia Briggs by Larry and JoAnn Anderson

Mr. and Mrs. Si Brock and Jane Brock by Doris Ann Gray

Gene Butler by Dorothy Butler and Family

Ozzie Cain by Dennis and JoAnne Cain

Nannie C. Calhoun by Nancy Simpson and Family

William Chapman by Evelyn Chapman and Helene Kramer

Monte S. Connell, Sr. by Nelda Connell

Raymond and Mary Dawson by Carl and Connie Holland

Deceased Members of the Men's Bible Class by the Current Members of the Men's Bible Class, FUMC

Herman and Billie Dornbusch by Van and Pam Shelley

Lloyd Downing "Pops" by Kirk, Emily, Ema and Andi Grace Richardson

Charlie and Evelyn Elam by Lina Shankle

Leroy and Ruby Elzie by Pam Harris

Ann Enzor by David Enzor

Ann Enzor by Jacob and Beth Gardner

Ann Enzor by Lauren and Melanie Enzor

Ann Enzor by Waymon and Naomi McDade

Henry Glass, Sr. by Gwen Glass

Henry Glass, Sr. by The Henry Glass, Jr. Family

Ruth Glass by Martha Smith

Rose Masopust Gray by Donna Jones

Mr. and Mrs. Mott Gray by Doris Ann Gray

Orbin and Francis Holland by Carl and Connie Holland

Kathy Holland by Carl Holland, Jr. and Lora Holland

Dale E. Jones by Donna Jones

George King by Patricia King

Bill and Jonnie Kinkade by Dennis and JoAnne Cain

Kenneth Kramer by Evelyn Chapman and Helene Kramer

Nancy Lindsey by Russell and Fran Lindsey

Wayne Locke by Keith, Brenda and Bryan Elzie

Bill Manley by Donna Jones

Allen J. Masopust by Donna Jones

George T. Masopust by Donna Jones

George W. Masopust by Donna Jones

Richard McKenzie by Nancy McKenzie

Bobby S. Pace by Roy and Brenda Wrather

Jack Peyton by Dot Peyton and Family

Grace Phelps by Dustin, Allison, Georgianne, Molly Kate and Charlotte Phelps

Grace Phelps by Jan Phelps

Grace Phelps by Keith Phelps

Grace Phelps by Kirk, Emily, Ema and Andi Grace Richardson

Russell and Clara Jane Phelps by Jan Phelps

Russell and Clara Jane Phelps by Keith Phelps

James Portis by Marsha Greenwood and Peggy Portis

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Portis by Marsha Greenwood and Peggy Portis

Bill Scruggs by Keith Phelps

Eddie Twohig by Lois Twohig

Annie Ruth Volner by The Henry Glass, Jr. Family

Martha Wallace by Bud and Debbie Neal

Bessie Wooten by The Wooten Family

Landon and Martha Yarbrough by Leonard and Brenda Moss; Charlie and Becky Moss