

## UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS TODAY

MorningSong: Volunteers Needed  
Traditional Service: Skip and Kendy Erwin

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Sheri Gilbreath and Earl Beckett  
Traditional Service: Jennifer Leyvas and Kacee McCalla

## NURSERY WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong: Sharman Coley and Mary Catherine Turner  
Traditional Service: JoAnne Cain and Brenna Grace Lockhart

## PRAYER REQUESTS

<b>Condolences to the family of:</b> Florence Cheairs Redd	Terri Rice Chumley Phronia Dailey Kevin Ezell Mary Ann Gulley Hannah Hartney Lorna Keahey Janet Klutts Bernie Liles Lori Butler Lindley Donna Luckey Wallace Mathis	Walter McIntosh Carole Moseley Charlie Moss James Neely Lisa Rickard BJ Smith Mary Jo Swain Hazel Townsend Jimmy Turner Dr. Barney Witherington III Martha Yarbrough
<b>Other Requests:</b> Bobby Anderson Allan Ashford Donna Beard Tom Bready Arnold Bull Joe Campodonico Rachel Carpenter		

## GRATITUDE SHOWS: IN OUR LIVING AND IN OUR GIVING



Thank you to those who responded to our 2017 Stewardship Campaign. As of November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 110 commitments to prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness have been received and \$429,835.00 has been pledged. If you have been unable to respond, stewardship cards are available on the tables in the CLC, on the ushers table in the Sanctuary and in the pews. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate or drop it by the church office during the week.

*"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."*  
Colossians 3:17

## REELFOOT RURAL MINISTRIES TOY DRIVE

The Go Class is collecting toys for Reelfoot Rural Ministries Christmas toy store. The store will be open December 5-8 and allows parents of low-income families to shop for inexpensive Christmas presents for their children. Please bring your donations to the GO classroom (lower level of the Sanctuary building) by **Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**. A list of suggested items is located in the GO Classroom.



## REV. DIANE HARRISON



Today, we welcome Rev. Diane Harrison from Grace Place United Methodist Church as our guest preacher. Grace Place UMC is a prison-based mission congregation located at the Women's Therapeutic Residential Center at Fort Pillow. Rev. Harrison served as Program Director and Associate Pastor at Covington FUMC from 1998-2002. For more information about Grace Place UMC visit [www.graceplacemethodist.com](http://www.graceplacemethodist.com).

## CALENDAR NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 3, 2016

### Sunday, November 27

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Song Worship-Christian Life Center
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service-Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast of Traditional Service-WKBL 1250AM
- 1:00 p.m. Traditional Service Broadcast-KBJ Cable Ch. 5 & 19
- 6:00 p.m. Advent Celebration and Chili Supper-FUMC

### Monday, November 28

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

### Tuesday, November 29

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

### Wednesday, November 30

- 4:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal-Christian Life Center
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Meal in Christian Life Center
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Studies: Adults-Fellowship Hall  
Youth: Christian Life Center
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Play Practice-Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Hand Bell Choir Practice-Choir Room
- 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl-NOW Classroom
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice-Sanctuary

### Thursday, December 1

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast-Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study-New Beginnings Classroom
- 6:00 p.m. UMW Christmas Dinner-Christian Life Center

### Friday, December 2

- 5:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Play Practice-Sanctuary

### Saturday, December 3

- 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry-Covington FUMC
- 3:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Play Practice-Sanctuary

## ADVENT CELEBRATION AND CHILI SUPPER



Join us this evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary for a service of Advent celebration featuring the Christ UMC Chamber Singers. A potluck chili dinner will follow in the Fellowship Hall. **Please bring a pot of chili** for the supper to the Fellowship Hall kitchen before the service. Dessert will be provided by the church.

## 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 **December 4<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you for your support of this great ministry!



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## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2016 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."*



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.

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WELCOME Rev. Wade Cox

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

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH  
Josh and Chelsea Griffin Family

JOYS AND CONCERNS Rev. Cox

PRAYER SONG "Give Thanks"

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE Rev. Cox

THE LORD'S PRAYER

†OFFERING Praise Band  
"How Majestic is Your Name"

SCRIPTURE Matthew 24:36-44

SERMON Rev. Diane Harrison  
"What in the World?"

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

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

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Harrison



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*TFWS-The Faith We Sing*

*UMH-United Methodist Hymnal*

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PRELUDE Justin Hanson, Organ  
"Christmas Fantasy on Four Carols"  
(arr. Rhinehart)

WELCOME Rev. Wade Cox

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

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH  
Jackie and Lee Delashmit,  
Kenny and Andi Katherine Edwards Family

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Cox

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

\*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION UMH 185  
"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

†JOYS AND CONCERNS Rev. Cox

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM "My Lord, What a Morning" Choir  
(arr. Benson)

SCRIPTURE Matthew 24:36-44

SERMON Rev. Diane Harrison  
"What in the World?"

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE UMH 569  
"We've a Story to Tell the Nations"

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Cox

\*CHORAL RESPONSE Choir  
"Silent Night"

POSTLUDE Justin Hanson, Organ  
"Larghetto"  
(arr. Handel)

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Sermon Notes: "What in the World?"