

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Billy Anderson  | Cassie Evans     | Rocky Greenwood  | Neal Simonton               |
| Donna Beard     | Betty Ford       | Mary Ann Gulley  | Maurice Smith               |
| Faye Beckett    | Lauren Gilliland | Frank Racy       | Bart White                  |
| Joe Campodonico | Howard Greenwood | Emogene Ray      | Dr. Barney Witherington III |
| Phronia Dailey  | Kelly Greenwood  | Carolynn Scruggs |                             |

Condolences to the families of: Carolyn Hanks, Charlie Moss, Ann Strong and Loretta Fultz Wallace

## UPPER ROOM PRAYER MINISTERS TODAY

MorningSong-Volunteers Needed      Traditional-Phyllis Richmond and Brenda Wrather

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong-Laura Thornton and Nancy Leem  
Traditional-Angela Clark and Brenna Grace Lockhart

## NURSERY WORKERS TODAY

MorningSong-Jennifer Winberry  
Sunday School Hour-Neely Turner  
Traditional-Liz Newman

## CALENDAR DECEMBER 10-16, 2017

### Sunday, December 10

8:30 a.m. MorningSong Worship-Christian Life Center  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship-Sanctuary  
11:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast of Traditional Service-WKBL 1250AM

### Monday, December 11

2:00 p.m. Worship Planning Meeting-Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. Safety and Security Meeting-Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. Yoga Class-Christian Life Center

### Tuesday, December 12

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting and Program Planning-Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Methodist-Presbyterian Nursery School Christmas Program-Sanctuary

### Wednesday, December 13

4:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal-Christian Life Center  
5:30 p.m. High School Girls Small Group-Sampson's Home  
6:00 p.m. Children Caroling at Nursing Homes  
6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice-Choir Room  
6:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Small Group-CLC  
6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry-Now Classroom  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice-Sanctuary

### Thursday, December 14

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

### Saturday, December 16

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry-Covington FUMC



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# ***FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***



***SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017***

***11:00 A.M.***

# Order of Worship

*Second Sunday of Advent*

*Liturgical Color-Blue*

PRELUDE *Advent Pastorale* Justin Hanson, Organ  
arr. Southbridge

WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Dan Camp

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP Beth Lockhart  
God of justice, you are patient with us and your patience is our salvation.  
**Come and turn us toward your light.**

We want to be faithful people who turn to you.  
Restore us again, God of hope.  
**Come and show us your grace.**

Renew your promise to bring peace to the earth and good will among all people,  
God of glory.  
**Come and make us at home in your reign now.**

We wait for new heavens and a new earth.  
Speak peace to us, God of love.  
**Come and teach us to strive for peace.**

Keep us in the embrace of love and faithfulness.  
Show us the place where peace and justice kiss.  
**Come Lord Jesus, surround us with your Spirit. Amen.**

*Season of Light and Hope: Prayers and Liturgies for Advent and Christmas*  
by Blair Gilmer Meeks

\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* UMH 213

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Justin, Caroline and Paisley Payne

SPECIAL MUSIC *Christmas Suite* Handbell Choir  
arr. Sherman

NAMING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS/MORNING PRAYER Rev. Camp

\_\_\_\_\_ *Children are dismissed for Children's Church.* \_\_\_\_\_

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION *In the Bleak Midwinter* UMH 221

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Camp

OFFERTORY *Sing We All of Christmas* Justin Hanson, Piano  
arr. Phillips

\*DOXOLOGY UMH 95  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below;  
praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

ANTHEM *Who'll Be a Witness for My Lord?* Choir  
arr. Bolks Bonnie Wright, Director

SCRIPTURE Mark 1:1-8 Andrew Davis

SERMON "Witness"

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP  
*(Those desiring to unite with this Christian fellowship are invited to make their way forward.)*

\*HYMNS OF COMMITMENT *There's Something About That Name* UMH 171  
*There's a Song in the Air* UMH 249

\*BENEDICTION Andrew Davis

## Handbell Choir Members

|               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| Amy Baltimore | Emily Sigler     |
| Ann Caldwell  | Annette Maxwell  |
| Cynthia Ford  | Melissa Mitchell |
| Donna Jones   | Bonnie Wright    |
| Jamie Lee     |                  |

*Our preacher today is Andrew Davis. He has lived most of his life in the Brentwood, TN area and graduated from Milligan College. Andrew is the Director of Youth for the 6th through 12 graders and is currently a student at the Center for Youth Ministry Training. He has served in youth ministry for 11 years and preached his first sermon at the age of 16. Andrew has been a part of the FUMC family since June 2016.*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*