

Welcome In the Name and Love of Jesus Christ

Welcome! We are thankful for your presence as we share in the worship of God. We pray you will find the blessing of fellowship among us. If you are visiting, please know that no one is really a visitor. This is God’s house and all are welcome. We invite you to pray with us, sing with us, rejoice with us, and hear Christ’s call with us. Since we all have needs, during the closing hymn, the altar is open for you to pray, give thanks, dedicate or re-dedicate your life.

Worship Resources: A Nursery is provided during our service. We invite you to use this facility for infants and toddlers. Children’s bulletins are available from the ushers. In the pews, you will find Prayer Cards that you are invited to use to share specific prayer concerns. Please place the card either in the offering plate or in the prayer boxes located in each entryway.

Order of Worship

*Come in, chat, and take a moment to sign the blue hospitality pad and pass it to your neighbor. But when the prelude begins – prepare for worship in a spirit of prayer and expectation! As we begin worship, please silence and put away all cell phones and beepers! *Indicates people stand as they are able*

Gathering Music		
Welcome and Announcements		Minister
*The Call to Worship #219 vs. 1	<i>What Child Is This</i>	Dix
*The Response		
Leader: Arise! Shine!		
Congregation: God's light has come to reveal The Way in this New Year.		
Leader: Arise! Shine!		
Congregation: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.		
Leader: Arise! Shine!		
Congregation: God's light penetrates the darkness that covers the world.		
Leader: Arise! Shine!		
Congregation: Nations shall come to God's light and kings to the brightness of God's dawn.		
ALL: Arise! Shine! For the Glory of the Lord has risen upon us.		
*Hymn #245	<i>The First Noel</i>	<i>From the GBOD</i>
*The Time of Friendship and Welcoming		Trad.
The Time with the Children		Everyone
The Time of Sharing Our Joys and Concerns		Minister
The Prayer Chorus #221 vs. 1 & 2	<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i>	Minister
The Time of Prayer		Rossetti
Morning Prayer		Minister
Lord’s Prayer - Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.		
Anthem – Chancel Choir	<i>A Christmas Invitation</i>	arr. Martin
The Worship with God’s Tithes and Our Offerings		Minister
The Offertory		
*The Doxology #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.	
*The Hymn #254	<i>We Three Kings</i>	Hopkins
The Scripture Reading	<i>Matthew 2:1-12</i>	Minister
The Scripture Response #219 vs. 3	<i>What Child is This?</i>	Dix
The Sermon	<i>Do You See the Light?</i>	Minister

*The Hymn of Invitation #206 vs. 3	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	Thomerson
*The Benediction		Minister
*The Benediction Response #251 (Refrain)	<i>Go Tell It On The Mountain</i>	Work, Jr.
*The Postlude		

Assisting with Today’s Service

Pianist.....Gielda Reese	Organist.....Charlotte Newman
Chancel Choir Director.....Dr. Nathan Windt	Nursery Attendants.....Elaine and Cortney Davidson

Church Calendar

8:30 AM Sunday: Men’s Breakfast	6:00 PM Wednesday: Removal of the Greens
10:00 AM Sunday: Sunday School	6:15 PM Wednesday: Prayer Ministries
11:00 AM Sunday: Morning Worship	7:00 PM Wednesday: Chancel Choir Practice
	7:00 PM Thursday: McMinn Ministries

Our Stewardship Last Week

Sunday School	0	Church Budget	\$3,130.00
Morning Worship	20	Future Fund	\$ 25.00
		Men’s Group	\$ 50.00

Announcements

Altar Flowers: The flowers today are given by Becky Jaquish in loving memory of Leuty Owen and Charles and Joe Jaquish.

Sympathy: The church would like to express love and prayers to Frank Rymer and his family in the death of his father this week. We pray God’s comfort to them during this difficult time.

Removal of the Greens: Please HELP! As we have all enjoyed the beauty of our Sanctuary, it is now time to take down the tree and decorations. We are in need of strong arms to do this job. Please be here at the church at 6:00 PM if you are able to help. We appreciate you and many thanks!

McMinn Ministries: The January meeting for McMinn Ministries is Thursday at 7:00 PM at the Ministry Center on Georgia Avenue. Everyone is invited to either meeting. For more information on this ministry, see Becky Jaquish, Carolyn Jackson, or the Pastor.

Divine Rhythm 2010: Divine Rhythm 2010 will be held on January 28-30 in Pigeon Forge at the Smoky Mountain Convention Center. The speaker will be Bishop Sally Dyck who is the Bishop of the Minnesota Area for the UMC. Casey Darnell will be back as the worship leader again this year. He is the worship leader of Northpoint Community Church in Atlanta. Brochures are available in the College and Career Sunday School Classroom. The early registration deadline is December 31st. The church will help with your expenses for the program fee and hotel accommodations. More information can be found at www.divinerhyth.com. Please see Jared Wright so we can get your registrations sent in.

Youth Dinner: Next Sunday the Youth will have a Dinner after Church. The menu will be soup/chili and grilled cheese sandwiches, drinks and dessert. We hope you will plan to eat with the Youth that day. As always, there will be no charge for the meal, but donations will be accepted.

Council Meeting: The Church Council will meet next Sunday, at 7:00 PM in Wattenbarger Hall. If you would like an item placed on the agenda, please see Tim Sharp.

January Body & Soul: We need someone to host our January Body & Soul. Our program will be presented by Tanya Murphy who will give us an update on the work of Grace & Mercy Ministries. If you can host, please call the church office.

Movie Night: Our Kids Klub will have a “Movie Night” at the church on Sunday, January 23rd at 5:00 PM. We need some volunteers to help with this event. If you would like to help, see Lisa Sharp.

Thank You! The church staff would like to thank the church family for the Christmas gift they received from the church. Thank you for thinking of us.

Thank You! The Pastor would like to thank everyone for all your extra efforts during the Advent/Christmas season. Many of you have worked overtime to make sure our services and events happened. We appreciate all your extra effort and time given to the work of Christ during this busy season.

Thank You! The Parsonage Family would like to thank you for all your expressions of love and care this Advent/Christmas season. We are truly blessed to share in this ministry with you and we greatly appreciate all your expressions of love and support. May God Bless us all even more in the coming year!

Stray Dishes: We have dishes and platters in the church kitchen that have been left at events. If you have forgotten to pick up a dish, please check in the kitchen. Someone is missing a black tray. If anyone knows where it might be, please call the church office.

Altar Flowers: The 2011 flower chart is up on the bulletin board in the side vestibule. If you would be willing to provide flowers for any of the Sunday's available, please sign your name to the chart.

Flowers next Sunday: Janet & Jody Boggess

We are Praying For.....

Family of Franklin Rymer; Letha Allen, Polly Anderson, Tonya Arsenault, Nancy Barton, Cloe Bates, Frank Bagamary, Chris Beaton, Darren Beckett, Robert Bennett, Lin Birdwell, Geraldine Blair, John Boggess, Sam Bowman, Tammy Braham, Jerry Brewer, Norma Bridges, Jackie Brown, Lee Brown, Reba Brown, Al Bryan, Dorothy Buck, Rick Butterfield, Joan & Joe Byrd, S.B., Katie Cain, Amber Card, Teresa Carpenter, Kathy & Milford Clark, Betty Coleman, Tamera Coleman, Carla Colven, John & Pam Cooley, Lucretia Crabtree, Nancy Cranfield, J W Cross, Brett Currie, Charlie Davidson, Cole Davis, Ron Davis, Bruce Delmas Jr., Linda Dennis, David & Vickie Derrick, Richard Edwards, Mary Ann Elrod, Bernadette Evans, Barry Faulkner, Nancy Ferguson, Gary Flewelling, Susan Fryar, Steve Garren, Jeff Gavin, Gail Giles, Brandy Giltneane, JR Griggs, CD Hagaman, Bill Hanner, Joe Henry, Carol Hope, Don Hutsell, Jim Hyde, Dewy Jackson, Mike Jackson, Barbara Jarvis, Teresa Jennings, Brendan Johnson, Jimmy Johnson, Rick Johnson, Mary Jane King, Millie Lackey, Bobby Ladd, Jim Lampman, Gwen Lane, Raymond Latham, Stephanie Lingerfelt, Charlie Littleton, Jessica Lowe, Tiffany Lynch, Frances Mason, Glenn Mason, Zachery Mason, Carolyn McDonald, Patricia McDonald, Margaret McNutt, Mark Meadows, Frances Mendenhall, Larry Messer, Addison & Madison Million, Bill & Eva Morgan, Kathleen Morgan, Aaron Moses, Mr John the bus driver, Anne Munro, Nathan Murray, Tammy Nance, Jim Neil, Curtis Nichols, Betty Nivens, Judy Ohman, Ron Peace, Justin Pearson, Tom Reese, Bobby Richards, Chelsey Richards, Jason Richards, Bettye Kay Richeson, Carl Richeson, Dennis Richeson, Sam Richeson, Jerry Roberts, Thelma Roderick, Sherry Sabo, Darlene Schenck, Danny Shannon, Phillip Shelton, Wanda Sherrod, Jeremy Sliger, Bud Smidt, Amy Smith, Billie Ann Smith, Donna & David Smith, Mildred Smith, Nell Smith, Rebecca Smith, Shannon Smith, Eric Sohmer, Jess Sparkman, Britianie Stieb, Phyllis Stieb, Noah Strickland, Taylor Strickland, Jeanie Swartout, Claudine Sykes, Diane Tallent, Frankie Thomas, Nathan Thomas, Roy Thomas, Naomi Toomey, Bruce Vincent, David Vincent, Mildred Vincent, David Walden, Justin Walden, Roy Walker, Bob Wallace, Gladys Wallace, Ogle Wattenbarger, Ron Weir, Bill Wiggins, Lena Wilson, Rick Wilson, Shirley Womac, Sandy Yielding, *In nursing homes, assisted living or shut-in:* Nell Gambill, Eva Ruth Lawson, Rubye Maupin, Betty Walker, Marie Walker, *Expecting Mothers:* Amy Rikard, *Missionaries or in Mission Work:* Boo & Phyllis Hankins, Steve and Diantha Hodges, Neal Hicks & family, Steve King Family, Chris Russell Family, Katie Cartwright; Pray for our Pastor, our D.S., Mike Travis, our Bishop, James Swanson; *Pray for our Service men & women:* Brandon Carter, Tyler Cooley, Taylor Creasman, Michael Dyer, Josh Gary, Jordan Goforth, Taylor Gray, Brent Greer, Eric Greisenhaur, Brent Harbin, Brandon Hashe, Lee Hashe, Daniel Hickey, Derek Hickey, Phillip Humphreys, Anderson Jaramillo, Robinson Jaramillo, Tim Lammers, Wesley Levy, Wayne McKenzie, Tyler Moore, Will Nation, Adam Randle, Alex Randle, Zach Roberts, Brittany Rupert, Bobby Smith, Brent Stephens and Craig Wolfenbarger.

If you know of someone who has improved and can be taken off the list or if we have removed someone from the list who still needs to be listed, please fill out a new card and give us an updated report. Thank You.

Church Prayer Focus for the Week: Pray for God's grace, blessings, and guidance for all in 2011.



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Epiphany Sunday

January 2, 2011

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The Mission of the United Methodist Church

"The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Local churches provide the most significant arena through which disciples-making occurs."

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