

**Wednesday Night Fellowship**

Dec 16, 2015

Meal: Ham, Broccoli, Apples, Salad Bar,  
Bread, Dessert

**Program for Dec 16**

**Church -Wide Advent Study**

Led by Rev. Jane Taylor

**Reservations** please by Tuesday 12/1  
Indicate # of people:

- \$6.50 \_\_\_\_ Adults & Children 12 or older
  - \$3.00 \_\_\_\_ Children age 3-11 (meal above) or
  - \$3.00 \_\_\_\_ Children 3- 11 (PBJ/Applesauce)
  - \$6.50 \_\_\_\_ To Go Orders (reservation required)
- Cost: Excluding To Go orders, \$22 maximum for a family of 4—each additional family member over age 11 is \$5.50; age 3-11 \$3.00.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

You can pay online (thru the QR code) or via website or pay on Wednesday night. You can tear off this tab to register or register online.

No Wednesday Night Meal or Program for the next week on Dec 23 at FUMC.

| Year-to-Date                | 11/30/15 |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Operating Funds             |          |
| Revenues                    | 648,252  |
| Operating Expenses          | 463,579  |
| Reduction In Loan Principal | 208,152  |
| Surplus /(Deficit)          | (23,479) |
| Restoration Loan Bal        | 0.00     |



**ELECTRONIC GIVING AVAILABLE**

Scan this QR code

**WELCOME 1ST CHURCH GUESTS !**

*"We hope you find worship here to be a way to experience the love of Jesus Christ."  
--from pastor Jane Taylor speaking for all in the congregation*

**For Your Information:**

**Restrooms** are located directly behind the sanctuary. There is a **nursery** for children (infant to 4 yrs of age). Our ushers or greeters can lead or direct you there **if you desire**.

If you would like to consider **becoming a member** of our church family, we invite you to do so. Please speak to the pastor or indicate so on the attendance slip.

An **AED** is located in the **CONNECT-OR; TOP FLOOR**; go through door at the front and to the right side of sanctuary.

**Church Staff:**

**Rev. Jane Taylor, Pastor**  
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 Billy Walker, Dir. of Worship & Music  
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 Rhonda Simmons, Treasurer  
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**WEEKLY CALENDAR SUMMARY DEC 13 - 19**

**SUNDAY, DEC 13**

9:15a Sunday School  
 10:30a Worship Service  
 4:30p Children and Youth Programs  
 6:15p Evening Worship Service

5:30p **Children's Christmas Party**

5:45p Wednesday Night Fellowship  
7:30p Chancel Choir Practice

**MONDAY, DEC 14**

11:00a Full Staff Meeting  
 7:00p Boy Scouts - Troop #36  
 8:00p College/Young Adult Group

**THURSDAY, DEC 17**

5:30p **Early Learning Center Christmas Program** - Sanctuary  
 7:00p Communication Pillar Mtg.

**TUESDAY, DEC 15**

4:00p Program Staff Meeting  
 6:00p **Circle of Hope Christmas Party** - Fellowship Hall  
 7:00p Planning Team Meeting for Leadership Retreat

**FRIDAY, DEC 18**

10:00a FUMC serves at Melting Pot

**SATURDAY, DEC 19**

10:00a **Community Mission Food Distribution - Neighborhood Ctr.**  
 6:00p **Pathfinder Class Christmas Party** - at Wesley Foundation

**WEDNESDAY, DEC 16**

5:30p **Youth Christmas Party**

**SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY**

**USHERS:** David Denny, Calvin McMann, Roger Bailey, Frank Mohap

**GREETERS:** Linda Talley, Art Eckerson, Betty Gouge, Brian & Cathie Rosecrance

**PRAYER:** Novice Gross **CROSSBEARER:** Mary Ford

**ACOLYTE:** Macy Shell **BEADLE:** Noah Ford

**AUDIOVISUAL:** Jeff Crowder



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**HOPE PEACE JOY LOVE**

Third Sunday of **Advent**, Dec. 13, 2015 10:30 am



**GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** "Greensleeves" R. Vaughan Williams

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: JOY**

**CHANCEL CHOIR CHRISTMAS CANTATA**

**A NOEL CELEBRATION**  
**Sounds and Stories of Christmas**  
*Created by Lloyd Larson*

🎵 **Sing Noel!**

*(Congregation please sing when directed)*

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
 And the mountains in reply, echo back their joyous strains;  
 Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Monologue: *Zachariah*

🎵 **Prepare the Way**

Monologue: *Mary*

🎵 **Lo. How a Rose E'er Blooming & Of the Father's Love Begotten**

Monologue: *Joseph*

🎵 **Manger Carol**

Monologue: *A Shepherd*

🎵 **Noel Festival**

Monologue: *Simeon*

🎵 **Noel! Christ the Lord Is Born!**

*(Congregation please sing when directed)*

*Welcome! We are glad you are here. Please register your attendance in the red pew pad.*

Noel, noel! Christ the Lord in born  
Noel, noel! To a world of scorn and shame He came for us all,  
to redeem us from the fall.  
Noel, noel, sing noel!

Monologue: *Wise Man*

### OFFERTORY

♪ **What Child Is This?**

Monologue: *Modern Reflection, Rev. Jane Taylor*

♪ **A Noel Celebration**

*(Congregation please sing when directed)*

Noel, noel! Christ the Lord in born  
Noel, noel! To a world of scorn and shame He came for us all,  
to redeem us from the fall.  
Noel, noel, sing noel!

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant  
O Come, ye, O come ye to Bethlehem  
Come and adore Him, born the King of angels!  
O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him.  
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

### BENEDICTION and RESPONSE

♪ ***This, this is Christ the King whom shepherds guard and angels sing.  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud  
The babe, the Son of Mary.***

### A TIME FOR GREETING ONE ANOTHER



#### Orchestra

Flute – Tyra Marek, Emily Thomey  
Oboe – Layla Marshall  
Clarinet – Jenny Reid, Jaliyah Woods  
Trumpet – Greg Simmons, Rhonda Simmons  
French Horn – Donna Wilkinson  
Percussion – Katie Cundiff, Andy Holmes

#### Narrators

Ken Harrison  
Lisa Reis  
Steve Reis  
Ethan Morelock  
Rev. Bill Carter  
Michael Scott

*We offer sincere appreciation to our Chancel Choir, Billy Walker, Susan Fields, the musicians and narrators for leading us in worship today. God is glorified and we are blessed by your gifts including the extra practice and dedication needed to prepare for this Cantata above and beyond the year-long ministry you provide through the chancel choir. Thank you.*

A Thank You from Our Friends at  
South Side Elementary School:

Dear 1st United Methodists:

South Side cannot express in words just how grateful we are for all the time and effort you put in to helping South Side look its best!

The wall hangings have stayed on :-)  
and make the inside look more welcoming. The playground equipment looks brand new and so does the outdoor classroom.

Not only was your work perfect and appreciated but your company was enjoyable too. Thank you again for your service and your kindness.

With much appreciation,

Anne Littleford, Principal  
& Staff at South Side

### YOUTH:

**Resurrection 2016:** Deadline for the \$40.00 deposit is December 20.

### CONGREGATION:

The youth group still needs **a few sponsors** to help cover the registration fees and lodging for this annual spiritual growth retreat. The youth have had several fundraising efforts but are still in need of **additional support**. Please contact Lisa Reis or the pastor if you are able to provide financial assistance.

*Thanks to all who helped make **Holiday Taste of First Methodist** a fun time for all. Several people mentioned they were not able to bring **items for the pantry**. It is too late. You can still bring items to the connector or make a **check** to FUMC and note **"food pantry"** on the memo line.*



*1stChurch sends a huge note of thanks to the scouts we sponsor, Troop 36, for all their help with the food pantry last month. The scouts collected 398 cans of food in their door to door food collection campaign and brought the canned goods to the neighborhood center for distribution. **Thank you scouts and leaders!***

### Budget Pledge for 2016

Please remember IT IS NOT TOO LATE to turn in your pledge for our 2016 budget if it has not been submitted. Pledge forms are in the Brochure Rack located in the Connector. Or contact the church office.

These help plan the work of our church for 2016. Also look around the church for posters of our budget goal for 2016 (607K) marked with progress levels. There are three information locations: Narthex, Fellowship Hall, Connector Entrance.

### PRAYER CONCERNS

|                           |                        |                            |
|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Clare Warren & family     | Jaimee Norman          | Sue Zabala                 |
| Jane Eddy and her parents | Vivian Eckerson        | Linda Stanley              |
| Bonnie and Clay Marrs     | Judy Cook              | Capt. Chris Carin, US Army |
| Amy Dryburgh              | Tom and Shirley Palmer | Jerry Elliot               |
| Bobbie Wells              | Carroll Waterbury      | Darrell Wayne Tilson       |
| Aldon and Betty Speer     | Mark Dollar            | Helen Tilson               |
| Chuck Short and family    | Mary McClellan         | Jim Brant                  |
| Sue McGaha                | Barbara Marrs          |                            |

**Dec 13, 2015 Prayer Requests**  
**Publish in bulletin? \_\_Y \_\_N**

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_

If you should choose to place a live poinsettia (s) in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one, please use



this tear-off tab and complete the information. The plant will have red flowers and the container will be wrapped in green foil. Make check payable to FUMC and place in the offering plate; note on check for poinsettia(s). (\$12.00) **The poinsettias will only be in the sanctuary for one Sunday (December 20) through Thursday (December 24) for the Christmas Eve Services.**

Deadline to order/pay is today, Sunday Dec. 13. Please one form per plant. (Use separate paper, form, or note.)

Donor Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_