Announcements

***Church after Church:*** Please join us for snacks and fellowship in Norman Barnett Hall following Worship.

***Children’s Worship:*** 3, 4, & 5 year olds are invited to leave after the Children’s Sermon for a special Worship time.

***Prayer Request Cards*** are located in the Narthex and on the table by the Elevator.

***Breakfast with Santa*** will be Sunday, December 8 at 11:00 all are invited.

***Poinsettia Orders Forms:*** Today will be the last day for Poinsettia forms.

To Our Church Family,

Thank you for the many ways you have loved and supported us during this difficult time. Your kindness has brought us much comfort.

Sincerely,

The Chambers Family

**November Giving**

**Received:** $ 29,734.32

**Needed:** $ 34,750.00

**YTD Giving**

**Received:** $ 292,226.86

**Needed:** $ 312,750.00

**Adult Sunday School Opportunities**

*Please know that you are invited to attend these classes that begin at 9:00 am*

**“Young Adult”-**Jodi Chambers, Contact(Blue Couch Room)

**“Young Adult (at Heart)”** – Michelle Rainey, Teacher (2nd room on right)

studies lectionary based curriculum

**“Discussion”** – Sarah Dyess ,Teacher (Alice Lee Room)

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***CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES***

Wednesdays 4:15 pm Youth Bible Study (NBH ) 5:15 Ladies Bible Study

First United Methodist Church

324 Pineville Road

Monroeville, Alabama 36460

251-575-2790

December 1, 2024

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**Church Staff**

Minister of Education: Rev. Pam Barnhardt

Carole Dean: Interim Musician

Church Business Administrator: Caroline Hardin

Nursery Attendants: Letitia Gibbs & Rosie Parker

**ENTRANCE**

Gathering Prelude Carole Dean  *Welcome and Opportunities* Rev. Pam Barnhardt

Invocation Rev. Barnhardt

Lighting the Advent Wreath Cayden Powell

We light the candle of hope, Oh God, your presence burning bright. In praise, we sing the gift you bring:

our hope complete in Christ. In praise we sing the gift you bring: our hope complete in Christ..

(tune: All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name)

† Hymn 196 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* Congregation

† The Apostle’s Creed Congregation

I Believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I Believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

† The Gloria Patri

Prayer of Confession Congregation

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love,

we have not loved our neighbors,

and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Morning Worship**

December 1, 2024 ‡ 10:05

**First Sunday of Advent**

Assurance of Pardon Rev. Barnhardt

Offering Carole Dean

† Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymnal, 95

† Hymn 2071(TFWS) *Jesus, Name above All Names* Congregation

Children’s Sermon Rev. Barnhardt

*(After Children’s Sermon 3-5 year olds are invited to go to Children’s Worship)*

Anthem Handbells

Scripture *Luke 21:25-36* Rev. Barnhardt

Sermon  *Looking for Hope* Rev. Barnhardt

**THANKSGIVING and COMMUNION**

The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal, p.13

The Lord’s Prayer Hymnal, 895

Blessing of the Elements Rev. Barnhardt

Sharing the Elements Rev Barnhardt

Prayer of Thanks Rev. Barnhardt

**SENDING FORTH**

† Hymn 451 *Be Thou My Vision* Congregation

† Benediction Rev. Barnhardt

† Three-fold Amen Congregation

Going Forth Postlude Carole Dean

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† *Standing as able Please silence or turn off your cell phones.*

**Attendance registration August 13, 2017**

Check one: 9:00\_\_\_\_\_11:00\_\_\_\_\_

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* Member(s)
* First time visitor
* Visitor
* Wish to join church
* Desire pastoral visit

Will you share your birthday below for our newsletter birthday list?

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*The Altar Flowers today are given to the greater glory of God*

*and*

*by Cecelia Ingram/Pam Barnhardt.*