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.

***White Christmas Offering :*** United Methodist Children’s Home/Embrace AL Kids offering will be today. We will offer opportunity for everyone to come to the altar by their birthday month to place an offering in the plate.

***Special Thanks to Laura King and Melody Bradley for directing the children’s***

***music last Sunday.***

***Christmas Eve Service:*** Christmas Eve service is at 5:00pm.

**December Giving YTD Giving**

**Received:** $ 16,719.00 **Received:** $ 309,010.86

**Needed:** $ 34,750.00 **Needed:** $ 382,250.00

**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

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December 15, 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

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**Morning Worship**

December 15, 2024 ‡ 10:05

**Third Sunday of Advent**

**White Christmas Sunday**

**ENTRANCE**

Gathering Carole Dean  *Welcome and Opportunities* Pam Barnhardt

Invocation Pam Barnhardt

Lighting the Advent Candle Sarah Dyess

We lift the light of joy, O God. Your praise is our delight! Your blessings flow that all may know unbounded joy in Christ. Your blessings flow that all may know unbounded joy in Christ.

† Hymn 217 *Away in a Manger* 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 Congregation

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen

**PROCLAMATION and RESPONSE**

Pastoral Prayer Pam Barnhardt

The Lord’s Prayer Hymnal, 895

Offering Carole Dean

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

† Hymn 245 *The First Noel* Congregation

*(Let the children come forward during after second hymn.)*

Children’s Sermon Pam Barnhardt

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

Scripture *Luke 3:7-18 John 3-7*  Rev. Barnhardt

Sermon *Joyfully Present* Rev. Barnhardt

**SENDING FORTH**

Hymn 219 *What Child Is This* Congregation

† Benediction Pam 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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Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* 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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*A special thanks to the Altar Guild for their help in arranging the*

*Poinsettias which will be in the Sanctuary through Christmas Eve…*

*and to all who helped in making the Sanctuary ready for Advent.*

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

*and*

*by Cecelia Ingram/Pam Barnhardt.*