

Messenger

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White Christmas Music and Candlelight Service

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2020 at 6 P.M.

Sunday night we will gather to celebrate the wonderful gift of God, wrapped in the person of the baby Jesus....the Wonderful One...the Christ of Christmas. This is the gift that is at the very heart of the Christmas season....a season rich with tradition, alive with music, and warm with family and friends. But the true wonder of the season is that hope is reborn each Christmas. Into this dark world, a light is come!

Let us search our hearts as we hear the story once again through music, narration, and drama. Let's celebrate the long-expected Savior, our Redeemer, Emmanuel - God with us. Let's celebrate the King of Kings who stepped down from heaven to earth to bring true Joy to our world and real Peace to every longing heart. Let's celebrate Christmas!

The offering of non-perishable items or money will be used in helping with the needs of people through mission projects. We thank you for your endless support as we combine music and missions!

This program will be live streamed.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

- 9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship
- 3:30 p.m. Youth Pageant Rehearsal
- 5:00 p.m. Hiskidz Choir/Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

9-12 noon Methodist Market

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

5:00-6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve
Communion

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas Day

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

10:00 a.m. Joint Worship Service
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL



December

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 20. Julie Paul, Tres Paul, Helen Tenhet
- 21. Albert Vandevere
- 22. Max Sanders, John Howie
- 25. Jon Parker Dees
- 30. Nathan Burton
 - 1. Joan King
- *****
- 27. Mr. & Mrs. Will Bond
 - Mr. & Mrs. Reece Vaughan
- 30. Mr. & Mrs. Bob Coker



Baptism
Celebration

Pace Montgomery Ledbetter, young son of Hunter and Heather Ledbetter was baptized Sunday, December 13, 2020.

We welcome Hunter Ledbetter as a member of FUMC. He transferred his membership from Scotland Baptist Church December 13, 2020.



Congratulations to Frances Pierce on the birth of her great grandson, Stetson Perry Moore, who was born on December 10, 2020 to Jordan and Annalee Pierce Moore.



The Poinsettias were delivered this past week. If you ordered any of these flowers, you may pick them up in the Fellowship Hall. Please do not remove any from the sanctuary until after the morning worship service on December 20.



A perfect God entered a flawed world on Christmas to make it possible for us to come into His presence one day. May the Christ of Christmas bless you and lead you through this coming year!

Your church staff sends their love. It is our privilege to serve people like you!

Bro. Lauren

Lettie

Tera

Rosemary

Linda

Jenny

Man



*We hope you will join us Christmas Eve for
Christmas Eve Communion
5:00 – 6:30 p.m.*

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Please have all contributions to be credited to 2020 in the church office by December 27, 2020.



Solid Ground Youth

This Sunday we will discuss ways that we can witness and live out our faith. Do you ever feel like sometimes you are living two separate lives: one at school (socially) and one at church (spiritually)? This Sunday our lesson will hit on some of the areas of our lives and help us have a better understanding of how to create a balance.

December 27 – No Sunday School

January 3 – We will talk about the greatest gift!

Sunday Night Youth & Wednesday Night Small Group

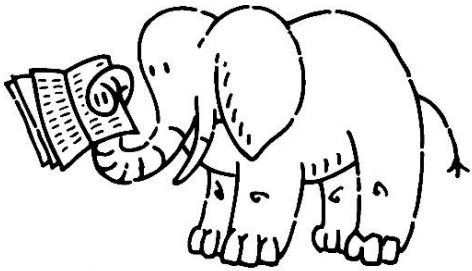
The White Christmas Music and Candlelight Service is this Sunday night, December 20. We plan to meet at the church at 3:30 p.m. to practice the Drama. Girls will be angels and boys will be shepherds. Mrs. Lettie has assigned the seniors to be Mary, Joseph, Head Angel, Simeon, and the Wise Men.

Youth Christmas Party

We will have our Youth Christmas Party while at the church for the practice. We will have a *Feliz Navidad Christmas Fiesta* and our annual Saran Wrap Ball. Please bring a gift of Socks & Scents for the Dirty Santa Gift Swap. Youth Bible study will resume after the New Year in January.



Children's Page



Memory Verse

"Your Savior is born today, in David's city. He is Christ the Lord."

Luke 2:11

This Sunday we will be talking about how the angels appeared to the shepherds on the night of Jesus' birth. The fact that God chose the shepherds to be the first to hear of Jesus' birth is important. The shepherds were not considered to hold high positions, yet God chose them. God often chooses the least likely in man's eyes to lift up for His work. We must remember to never under-value ourselves or others.

December 27- No Sunday School

January 3 - We will have Sunday School and our lesson will be a glimpse into the life of Jesus as a boy.

Planet 456 & P22 Ministries:

We will continue to be on a break throughout the holidays, but our Bible studies will begin meeting back sometime in January. Enjoy your Christmas break and spending time with family.



Larry Clark

Mr. & Mrs. Bob Moulds

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

Truett Duncan

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

Lois Gary

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

Jeanne Parker

Peggy Harvey

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

Jim Pace

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

Lucy Parchuer

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

Jeanne Santmyer

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

Jim Watson

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

James Mason Woodard

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Webb

Volunteers serving Sunday, December 20, 2020

Advent Readers D'Ann Adams
Mary Lou & Owen Richards
Scripture Isaiah 7:10-17
Sermon "The Promise of God Himself"

Sunday, December 27, 2020

Scripture Luke 2:1-20
Sermon "The Promise Fulfilled"

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

DECEMBER

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| 20. 4th Sunday of Advent | Luke 1:39-45, (46-55) |
| 21. Established in righteousness | Hebrews 1:1-12 |
| 22. Growing before the LORD | 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 |
| 23. Praise the LORD! | Psalm 148 |
| 24. <i>Christmas Eve</i> | <i>Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)</i> |
| 25. <i>Nativity of Jesus Christ/Christmas</i> | <i>John 1:1-14</i> |
| 26. As God's chosen ones | Colossians 3:12-17 |
| 27. 1st Sunday after Christmas | Luke 2:41-52 |
| 28. Your lookouts sing joyfully | Isaiah 52:7-10 |
| 29. An awesome presence | Matthew 15:29-31 |
| 30. A stronghold in God | Psalm 9:9-20 |
| 31. Nations shall come | Isaiah 60:1-6 |
| 1. <i>New Years Day</i> | <i>Psalm 8</i> |
| 2. The wisdom from above | James 3:13-18 |