

Morning Worship on the Lord's Day
December 31, 2017 **8:30 am**

Gathering

Welcoming First Time Guests

Introit "Of the Father's Love Begotten"
Cheryl Epperson

*Call to Worship The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.
The risen Christ is with us.
Praise the Lord!

*Hymn UMH #230 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Announcements and Connection Cards

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Call to Prayer "Sweet Hour of Prayer"
Merle Epperson

Pastoral Prayer

The 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.**

*Passing of the Peace of Christ

*The Apostles Creed

**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.**

*Gloria Patri UMH#71

*The Children's Hymn #218 "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"

The Children's Message Pastor Andrew
(Preschool Children may go to Children's Church.)

Anthem "Mary's Boy Child"
Cheryl Epperson

The New Testament Reading Luke 2:22-40 Pew Bible NT Page 59

Sermon "Fulfillment" Pastor Crystal

Giving our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
Merle Epperson

*Doxology UMH # 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts;
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts;
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #219 "What Child is This?"

*Benediction

Postlude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

***Indicates Congregation Standing as Able.** Hearing Aids, Large Print Bibles, and Hymnals are available. If you need any of these, please see an usher or greeter. **Please silence all cell phones.**

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NOTES



“Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World”



Sunday *December 31, 2017* *8:30 am*

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Joyce Daniels

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The Children's Message

Pastor Andrew

Anthem "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

Regney

Said the night wind to the little lamb, "Do you see what I see? Way up in the sky little lamb? Do you see what I see, a star, dancing in the night, with a tail as big as a kite." Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy, "Do you hear what I hear? Ringing thru the sky, shepherd boy? A song high above the tree with a voice as big as the sea. Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king, "Do you know what I know? In your palace warm, mighty king. Do you know what I know? A child, shivers in the cold, let us bring Him silver and gold." Said the king to people everywhere, "Listen to what I say: pray for peace, people everywhere! The Child sleeping in the night, He will bring us goodness and light."

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Choral Benediction "Shalom to You"

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Contemporary Worship

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Opening Song

Welcome and Announcement

Praise & Worship

Congregation Prayer

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

The Reading of God's Word
Luke 2:22-40

Sermon

“Anna and Simeon Meet the Savior”

*** Song of Commitment/Sending Forth**

(Please Stand)

*** Please pick up your children during the last song:**

Song of Commitment/Sending Forth

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This Week at SUMC

Sunday December 31

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am Beacon Worship Service (Ministry Center)
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 am Beacon Worship Service (Ministry Center)

Monday January 1 Church Offices closed for New Year's Day

- 7:00 am Emmaus Reunion Group (Men) (Bldg 2, Rm LL31)
- 8:15 am Emmaus Reunion Group (Women) (Bldg 1, Rm 29)

Tuesday January 2

Wednesday January 3

- 9:30 am Pastors Worship Planning Meeting (Bldg 1, Library)
- 10:30 am Church Staff Planning Meeting (Bldg 1, Library)
- 6:30 pm Beacon Band Rehearsal (Assembly Hall)
- 6:30 pm Trustee Meeting (Bldg 1, Library)

Thursday January 4

- 7:30 am SUMM Bible Study (Bldg 1, LL13)
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir (Bldg 1, Choir Room)

Friday January 5

Saturday January 6

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All contributions received in the church office by noon, Dec 29, 2017 or in the Sunday offering on Dec 31, 2107 will be reflected on 2017 contribution statements. Online contributions will need to be submitted no later than Dec 28, 2017. Any contributions received after this time will be reflected on the 2018 contribution statements. The church office will be open on Dec 29 from 9-12 for anyone wanting to drop off contributions. 2017 contribution statements will be mailed by Jan 15, 2018. Please write on your check if your contribution is for budget, building or \$20 Fellowship fund.



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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Church offices will be closed on January 1, 2018 in observance of New Year's Day.

We are going to observe a **Blessing of the Church Leaders** during all services on Sunday, January 7th. This blessing will include all Committee leaders and members, Sunday School teachers, nursery workers, small group leaders, ushers, greeters, guides, UMM group leaders, each UMW group leader, staff, praise band members, bells and choir members, those who serve as district and conference leaders and anyone who serves in a helping capacity to point people to Jesus. Please attend during your normal service.

On Sunday, Jan 7th, **our Girl Scouts** will be having a fundraiser to benefit the Possumwood Acres Wildlife Sanctuary in Hubert and will provide information about the Sanctuary. They will have a table set up outside between Bldgs 2 & 3 following the services. Cash or checks are accepted. Checks should be made payable to Girl Scout Troop 98. Thank you in advance for your support of our Girl Scouts! Questions, contact Terry Proper, 910-340-4155.

The youth ski trip sign-up is now active! 7th-12th graders & their parents are invited to go online at the SUMC website, under Look Here, to sign up. If you, as a parent, would like to go, please contact Andrew Harper before signing up. If you need financial assistance to go, we can help.

Two sessions (Sundays & Thursdays) of **The Genius of American Religion** will begin the week of January 14th. The six-week course is an overview of the history of Faiths in the New World & how they work together (or not) in a unique diverse culture. Jim Brewster, retired UM pastor, former adjunct instructor, "Ancient Messiahs and Modern Cults" at UNCW will teach the classes. Sunday classes, Jan 14-Feb. 18 are at 9:45 a.m., Room 35, lower level, Bldg 2. An identical session will be on Thursdays, Jan. 18-Feb. 22 at 4:00 p.m., same room. It is not necessary to pre-register. Information, jamesbrew@juno.com, or 910-431-0382

Registration is now open for the **Junaluska Peace Conference** to be held March 1-4. For further information, please contact Jim Brewster, chair of SUMC Church & Society at jamesbrew@juno.com.

We're sharing the worship experience! Our worship services are recorded and available online. Our 9:45 and 11:15 Beacon services are also streamed live online! Please remember to **update your online giving donations to your 2018 pledged amounts**. Please do not set up a new user name and password. Simply login with your current information and edit your amounts and frequency as necessary.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members: Angie Cooper, Holly Bostic, Mel & Sue Guss, Dick McLeish, Olivia Ehler, Tim & Sharon Barefoot, Jan Yarborough, Eldene Truax, Nita Aman, Ginger Garner Jablonski, Britney Wood, Frances Harrison, Roberta Maness, Mary Bergazzi, Rebecca Hamm, Kathy Henriksen, Barbara Brown, Melanie Holstein, Sheryle Kinney, Christine Hoffacker*, Betty Hellams, Sara Wilson, Sara Bergazzi, Sylvia Sylvester*, Joyce Bayley*, Ruth Hokum*, Shirley Warren, Bob Bone, Christy Williams, Peg Fredeen*, Mildred Gallion*, Becky Miller (*shut in)

Friends & Family: Libby Garner, Brandon Bachik, Richard Juhl, Lee Orwat, Karen Saunders, Helen Frasier, Pat Salair, Christopher Pate, Linda Guss, Lamont & Lauryn Cox, Walt Kapke, Phyllis Hodgkins, Mike Bergazzi, Red Redfearn, Sharon Kanavel, Anne Shaw, Lindsey Bell, Dana Shrout, Eric Hart, Sandie Journigan, Nancy Burnette

Deployed Military: Donny Henriksen*, A.J. Short, John Reed, Gonzalo Snowe, Brandon Hackworth*, Buck Bradley, Jon Eriksen, Craig Sampsel, Lewis Collins, James Pidgeon III, Martha Stolzenberg, Michael P. Smith, Lance Young, Cooper Redfearn, Matt Bagley, Scott Harper Jr., Erik Werhner (*Church Member)

The Prayer Focus for this week is for the homeless and the downtrodden.

OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, December 24, 2017

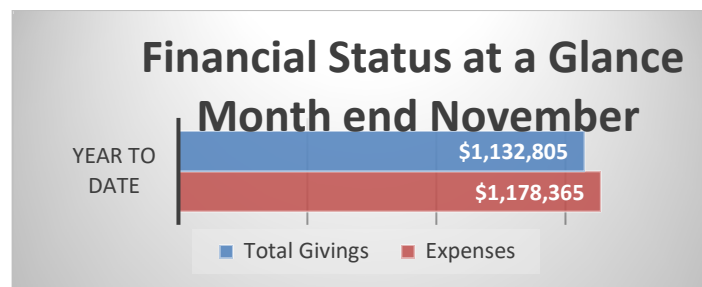
10:00 am – 325 5:00 pm Traditional - 357 5:00 pm Beacon – 319 7:00 pm - 233

OUR GIFTS

Last week's memorial gift should have read
in memory of Keith Buckhold's mother given by Harold & Louise Fulp

This week's memorial gifts are
in memory of Bill Redfearn (Bldg) given by Lane Harris
in memory of Emma Lee Conner given by LH Hutchens, Jr.

The Chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Michael Kopanski given by Joanne Kopanski
and in memory of Margaret Hurst given by her family



FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>Financial Month End –</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Contributions	\$107,944	\$1,132,806
Less Actual Expenses	<u>\$105,502</u>	<u>\$1,178,365</u>
Net	\$ 2,442	(\$ 45,559)

OUR SERVICE

Nursery

Jan 7 8:30 Savannah McAloon 11:00 Caity Lenthall

Children's Church

Dec 31 8:30 Erika Harlacher 11:00 Molly Fahy
Jan 7 8:30 Joanne Scholl 11:00 Ava Lamonica

Acolytes

Dec 31 8:30 Charlie Young, Aly Young, Millie Morris
11:00 Alana Ulin, Connie Pearce, Grace Egerton

Prayer Room

8:30 9:45 11:00 ~ Helen Botic

OH! PRAISE THE LORD

- For our SUMC family and friends! We are so blessed here at SUMC!
- We gave \$7,000 to the local women's shelters this week!