

Noel, Jesus Is Born

By: Lanny Wolfe and Don Marsh

“Noel, Jesus Is Born”

“So Gently He Came”

“Cherish That Name”

“While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks”

“A Star Was Born”

“Rejoice With Exceeding Great Joy”

“Herod’s Song”

“Seeking For Me”

“No Room”

“Noel, Jesus Is Born”

“Wise Men Still Seek Him”

Benediction

Reverend Mac Kinnett

Chancel Choir

*Jimmy Brown, Pat Buck, Dawne Clonts, Justin Cox, Frances Driggers, Betty Dunham, Val Dunham, Sue Dusenbury, George Goldfinch, *Louise Goodwin, Floyd Goodwin,

*Frankie Hardwick, Shirley Hardwick, Charlotte Ives, Adrienne Jennings, Freda Jones,

*Margaret Jordan, Julia Land, *Jack McCutcheon, Sylvia Richardson, Lella Faye Sanders, Bonita Smoak, Jean Timbes, *Lib Wellons, JoAnn Wiegand

* denotes soloists

Cherub and Wesley Treble Choirs

Lauren Baxter, Ben Chanaca, Emma Chanaca, Walon Cox, Maggie Darden, Jade Edwards, Laurel Edwards, Ross Fallaw, Anna Claire Roof, Savannah Seremet, Adrianna Schlaefer, Jillian Schlaefer, Meredith Schlaefer, Chad Steinfield, Caroline Todd, Erin Todd

Cast

Narrator	Chris Wright
Mary	Sallie Goldfinch
Joseph	Kelly Cooper
Gabriel	Brad Todd
Herod	Blake Martin
Wise Men	Pratt Gasque, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson
Scribes	Samuel Hickman, Dylan Jenkins
Shepherds	Mary Ellen Scarborough, Sydney Stegall, Katelyn Stegall, Julia Brooks, Ann Morgan Fallaw, Emily Steiner, Amy Hickman
Roman Guard	Mark Chanaca
Costumes	Julie Cox, Sue Dusenbury
Stage Managers	Julie Cox, Ann Stegall
Sound	Lee Hickman

Sunday Mornings in Advent starting at 9:30

Sunday morning prior to Sunday School, we’ll offer a brief time of celebration and reflection. Children will gather in the First Floor Commons with Neal while adults gather in the Second Floor Commons Area to sing a Christmas carol and view a brief video segment from the new series, The Journey, Walking the Road to Bethlehem.

Coffee in the Commons at 9:45

Following The Journey video segment, a brief time of fellowship with coffee, juice and “Mac’s Muffins” will be available in the First Floor Commons Area prior to Sunday school.

Fruit Baskets

The fruit baskets will be available for pickup today in the Fellowship Hall. Your support was greatly appreciated!

Chris-myth Busters: Today at 4:00 p.m.

A children’s Christmas musical with set, props and cast at 4:00 p.m. today in the FLC presented by the Cherub and Wesley Treble Choirs.

Youth Party: Grades 7-12

The Youth Christmas Party is **today!** Wear your favorite “Tacky Christmas Sweater!” Time: 5:30 p.m. Place: FLC

College Students: The Journey

All college students are invited to attend a special viewing of “The Journey.” Beginning Monday, December 19 thru 23 from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Second Floor Commons area. Bring a guest!

Advent Luncheon

Monday, December 19 will be the last luncheon of the Advent season. It will be hosted by St. Paul’s Episcopal Church and the guest speaker will be Rev. Rhett Talbert.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Children’s Service

Children should plan to bring their families to this special Christmas Eve Service at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. This service is planned for children to experience caroling, candle lighting, communion and the traditions of Christmas Eve worship in a casual, child-friendly environment.

Christmas Eve Service

Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service will be at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, Christmas Day

Christmas Day services will begin at **10:30 a.m.** No Sunday school classes for children.

New 2012 Altar Flower Calendar

The 2012 Flower Calendar has been posted. Please take a moment to reserve dates that are meaningful to you. Altar flowers are especially needed in January.

Church Office Hours for Christmas and New Year’s

Due to the holidays falling on the weekend, the church office will be closed on Monday, December 26 and Tuesday, December 27. Otherwise, the office will be open its normal hours. Merry Christmas FUMC!

CAP Food Needs

This week we will be collecting pasta and pasta sauce.

Raleigh Ringers Concert Airs on HTC

FUMC’s Raleigh Ringers Concert will air on HTC Channel 4 on Christmas Day as a Community Christmas Card from HTC!



December 18: Nate Nelson
December 19: Helen White, Bill Taylor,
December 20: Bob Sherry
December 21: Julia Land
December 23: Frank Stilley, Kelly Cooper, Katherine Sarvis
December 24: Skottowe Fox

Stewardship Report

<u>Attendance</u>		<u>Offerings</u>	
Sunday School	166	Operating	10,648.52
Morning Worship	231	BBCS	1.00
Evening Service	18	Good Samaritan	10.00
Advent Concert 12/1	43	Christmas Project	275.00
Advent Concert 12/15	51	Outreach Mission	200.00
		CAP	50.00
		Cookbook	15.00
		Music Discretionary	100.00
		Poinsettia	330.50
		Poinsettia Child	685.00
		Salvation	50.00
		Sub Total	12,465.02
		Building Fund	3,913.50
		Total	16,378.52
		Budget Receipts to Date	404,267.96
		Budget Needs to Date	506,324.58
		Deficit to Date:	-102,055.62

Weekly Food Items Given

93

New and Used Christmas Decorations

3 van loads of decorations were donated including four artificial trees!



FUMC Staff

The Reverend Paul M. Kinnett, Pastor
Billy Fallaw, MM, Dir. of Music & Organist
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This Week at First United Methodist Church

Sunday, December 18

9:30 a.m. The Journey / Second Floor Commons
9:45 a.m. Coffee in the Commons
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Study / Broadcast 100.9 FM
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Chancel Choir Christmas Program / Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. Chris-myth Busters: Children's Musical / FLC
5:30 p.m. UMYF Tacky Sweater Christmas Party / FLC

Monday, December 19

6:00 p.m. College Students: The Journey
7:00 p.m. Ann Miles Christmas Program

Tuesday, December 20

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:00 p.m. College Students: The Journey

Wednesday, December 21

6:00 p.m. College Students: The Journey

Thursday, December 22

6:00 p.m. College Students: The Journey

Friday, December 23

6:00 p.m. College Students: The Journey

Saturday, December 24

11:00 a.m. Children's Candlelight Christmas Eve Communion Service
5:00 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Communion Service

Sunday, December 25

10:30 a.m. Christmas Morning Worship Service

Serving This Sunday, December 18

Altar Guild: Lillian Sherry, Libby McCutcheon, JoAnn Ray, Amy Lovell Jenkins, Sylvia Richardson, Betty Smith

Counting Committee: (Sunday) Blake Martin and Jan Bitting

(Monday): Maxine Dunn, Margaret Thompson

Sound Technician: Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks

Ushers: Jimmy Hammond (Head Usher), Randy Bell, Kelly Cooper, Andy Hendrick, Hunter Jenkins, Morgan Martin, Charles Myers, Bert Owen, Matt Schlaefer, Lavon Singleton, Garvin Huggins

UMYF: Tacky Sweater Christmas Party: FLC

Serving Next Sunday, December 25

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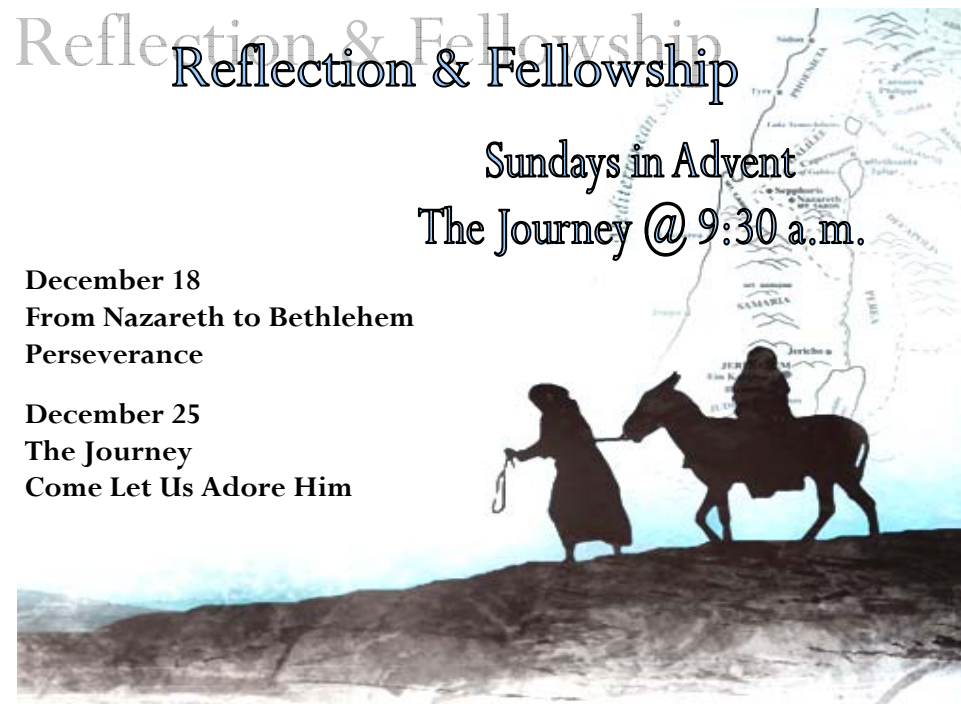
Prayer Concerns

Assisted Living Facilities:

Kingston: Ruth Anderson; **Conway Manor:** Edith Lewis; **Agape Senior Living:** Gladys Alexander, **Laurinburg, NC:** Carolyn Cox; **Cornelius, NC:** Helen Wakefield

At Home:

Bobbie Davis, Charles Dusenbury, Irby Koon, Julia Land, Charles Timbes, George Kyzer, Gwen Mishoe, Jane Gore, Mildred Jones, Sylvia Avant, Diane Rodwell, Wallace Singleton, Tootsie Atkins, Frankie Hart, Tommy Jordan, Irene Calhoun, Gene Grace Holbert, Ruth Thomas.



Youth
Christmas Party
Grades 7-12
December 18
5:30 p.m.
FLC!

Children's Programs



Chris-myth Busters
Children's Musical
Presented by the Cherub
& Wesley Treble Choir
Today @ 4:00 p.m.
FLC

College: The Journey
December 19 thru 23
6 to 6:30 p.m.
Second Floor Commons Area

Children's Candlelight
Communion Service
Christmas Eve @ 11:00 a.m.
The Hut

One of the interesting dynamics of college football is the way in which the faith of many players and coaches is revealed on this increasingly visible stage. To the joy of some and the chagrin of others, there are some really strong Christians involved in college athletics whose faith is clearly projected as they participate in the events surrounding the games. The John 3:16 guy may not be on TV any-more, but the relevance of a faith in Christ is obvious to anyone watching the games. Personally, I find it gratifying to see these young lives being shaped by Christian coaches.



In Conway, we are blessed to have strong Christians coaching at many levels. Among these is Coach David Bennett. On Sunday, January 1, as the college bowl season nears its end, Coach Bennett will be at First UMC to worship with us and bring the message.



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December 18, 2011
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Reader: Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. (Luke 2: 4-5)

Reader: Today we remember Joseph and Mary, worn-out travelers and worried parents-to-be, doing what was necessary, willingly bearing the burden of faithfulness. Their challenges are many and great, yet they remain faithful and obedient.

People: *Today we give thanks for the Josephs and Marys among us, partners in faithfulness, unwavering in their belief in the kingdom of God and beckoning us to do the same.*

Reader: On this fourth Sunday of Advent, we light this candle as a symbol of Joseph and Mary, who journeyed together to Bethlehem and beyond. *(Light two blue candles, the pink candle and the last blue candle)*

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, "Christmas" has come to mean so many things. There's last minute shopping and baking and wrapping. There's decorating and guests to greet and trips to take. In the hustle and bustle of this season, remind us that you are seeking room in our hearts. Remind us that your gift of yourself outshines all of the other gifts we can get or give this season. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Doxology No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.