

# SPRING CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Advent - Blue  
December 23, 2012

PIANIST- Angela Garrison VIOLIN - Linda Gibbs ORGANIST - Lynn Hinkle  
ACOLYTE - Oceanne Hunt

GATHERING  
STRIKING OF THE HOUR  
WELCOME  
ANNOUNCEMENTS & DISTRIBUTION OF GUEST CARDS

Lynn Hinkle  
Worship Leader  
Worship Leader

FOURTH ADVENT READING Barbara Hardy and Hunter McClendon

\*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN "The First Noel" No. 245  
*(Enter your name in the friendship pad and pass it to the person next to you.  
When the pad reaches the end of the pew, pass it back, noting the names of others.)*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "The Apostles' Creed" No. 881  
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN OF FAITH "Angels We Have Heard on High" No. 238

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
THE OFFERTORY "What Child Is This?" Lynn Hinkle  
\*THE DOXOLOGY No. 95

\*GREETING EACH OTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE

\*HYMN "Surely the Presence of the Lord" No. 328

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS Worship Leader

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE John Hanson  
*Children, ages 3 thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, may now go to Children's Church.*

CHOIR ANTHEM "O Holy Night" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON Micah 5:2-5a

WORSHIP LEADER: The Word of God for the People of God  
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God

MORNING MESSAGE "Jesus is the World's True King" Rev. Dale S. Wyrick

\*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" No. 218  
INVITATION TO BAPTISM AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

\*BENEDICTION  
\*CHORAL AMEN

Rev. Dale S. Wyrick

"Jesus, Name Above All Names" Congregation & Choir  
Jesus, name above all names,  
beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us,  
blessed Redeemer, living Word. TFWS 2071

POSTLUDE  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS Lynn Hinkle

Personal transmitters for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher for assistance. Nursery available by Fellowship Hall.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU** to everyone who gave so generously this year to Coats for Kids, Morgan-Scott Toy Drive, Kiwanis Christmas Food Baskets, and Toys for Children. Your contributions will help to make Christmas a lot brighter for those less fortunate. May God bless you for your love and compassion for others.

**ORGAN FUND:** The church organ is over 30 years old and in need of repairs, and parts are becoming unavailable. A committee has been appointed to investigate the purchase of a new organ. We were blessed with the Chancel Choir's Cantata last Sunday, and what better way to honor them and our musicians than with your gift to further support this fund!

**YOUTH** meet tonight at 6:00 p.m., in the FLC-Gym.

**COME TO BIBLE STUDY** tonight at 6:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall, Room 105.

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE** begins at 5 p.m., Monday, December 24, in the Sanctuary.

**PLEASE CONSIDER THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE THE BIBLE:** We are organizing a new Bible study that will meet on Thursday nights - **"Disciple Short Term Bible Study - Invitation to the New Testament"**. This will be a 9-week study. The time is still being determined but will probably be 6:00 or 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall, Room 105. The sessions will be 1.5 hours each night. The first session begins on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Cost of the student book is \$12.00. There is a signup sheet in the hallway or you may contact the church office (365-6324) & (scumc@volstate.net) to get registered for the Disciple Class. We are blessed to have Walt Morse as our teacher.

**MDO NEEDS DVD PLAYER:** The Sonshine House is in need of a DVD player and would be very grateful if anyone has one they would like to donate. Contact Denisea at 423-802-1255.

**SPRING CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SHIRTS** are now on sale. Polo shirts are embroidered with the church name and logo, and T-shirts have the church name and this year's conference theme, "Called to Action" design. A variety of colors and sizes are available, with special orders available as well. They make a great Christmas gift! Come to the Fellowship Hall after church today or you may contact Kathy Heimel at 365-6685 to purchase a shirt.

**FIFTH SUNDAY SING** has been cancelled for Sunday evening, December 30. The next 5th Sunday Sing is Sunday, March 31, 2013.

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK  
OF DECEMBER 23, 2012**

**SUNDAY - 12/23**

- 9:30 - Children's Choir, Room 207
- 9:45 - Sunday School
- 10:30 - Fellowship with coffee & donuts, FLC - Gym
- 11:00 - Morning Worship, Sanctuary, Room 100
- 6:00 - Bible Study, Fellowship Hall, Room 105
- 6:00 - Youth, FLC- Gym
- 8:00 - AA- Fellowship Hall, Room 105

**MONDAY - 12/24**

- Church Office Closed*
- 5:00 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Sanctuary, Room 100

**TUESDAY - 12/25 - *Merry Christmas!***

*Church Office Closed*

**WEDNESDAY - 12/26**

*Disciple II will NOT meet today.  
Youth cancelled for tonight.*

- 6:30 - Young Adults
- 7:00 - Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY - 12/27**

*School/MDO Christmas Vacation; return Jan. 8*

**FRIDAY - 12/28**

- 12:00 *Church Office Closed*

**PASTOR:** Dale S. Wyrick  
**WORSHIP LEADER:** Norman Bowman  
**DIRECTOR OF YOUTH:** Beth Keylon  
**DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN:** Angie Rose  
**DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** Sandy Gilliam  
**CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Judy Ezell  
**USHERS:** Ken Rose, Kevin Rose, Jennings Smith, Jerry Smith  
**HOSTS:** Margaret Scholz, Lynda Smith  
**NURSERY:** Lesia Garrison, Loretta Hale  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Sharon Baker  
**YOUTH:** 12/23 Beth Keylon 12/26 No Youth

**FINANCIAL ACTIVITY - DECEMBER 2012**

	<u>Sunday 12/16</u>	<u>Month-to-date</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Operation Funds Rec'd	\$4,989	\$23,301	122%
Budget Requirement	\$6,368	\$19,104	

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE  
Micah 5:2-5a (NRSV)**

<sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days.

<sup>3</sup> Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel.

<sup>4</sup> And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth;

<sup>5</sup> and he shall be the one of peace.