SPRING CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Third Sunday of Advent December 13, 2015

PIANIST- Angela Garrison

ORGANIST- Bryan Massengale

ACOLYTE - Hannah Couch

GATHERING Bryan Massengale

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME **Worship Leader**

*HYMN "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" No. 240

(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.)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN OF FAITH "The First Noel" No. 245

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "The Snow Lay on the Ground" **Bryan Massengale** THE DOXOLOGY No. 95

*GREETING EACH OTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 1:5-25 **Worship Leader**

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor Tony

Children, ages 3 thru 2nd grade, may now go to Children's Church.

CHOIR ANTHEM "Christmas Is Coming" **Chancel Choir**

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 1:67-80 **Worship Leader**

WORSHIP LEADER: The Word of God for the People of God

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God

MORNING MESSAGE "Prophetic Parenting" Dr. Tony Collins

*BENEDICTION **Dr. Tony Collins**

*CHORAL AMEN "Emmanuel. Emmanuel" No. 204

> Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel

*POSTLUDE **Bryan Massengale**

*CONGREGATION STANDS

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU for your support of Our Daily Bread. All the jars of peanut butter will make a difference in helping those in need in our community. With sincere thanks from the volunteers at Our Daily Bread

EVERYONE IS INVITED to the Christmas Play at 5 p.m., this evening, in the Family Life Center. Please come and support our youth and children.

ADVENT STUDY: If you would like to make a reservation for the meal prior to the final Advent Study at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 16th, please add your name to one of the sign up sheets near the side entrance, at the Fellowship Hall, or call the office (365-6324). Supper is \$8 per person with a family maximum of \$25. Invite a friend!

TOYS FOR CHILDREN: We now have an Angel Tree at First Bank. Anything you would like to purchase, please take it to the bank by December 16th. We could use family games, soccer balls, and footballs. Drop off the games and balls at Cash Express. Contact Helen Kincannon at 365-0197 if you have any questions.

HOME PRAYER GROUP gathers at the home of Tuffy Thurman, Thursday, December 17th, at 11 a.m. Everyone is invited.

COMMUNITY MEAL is Thursday, December 17th, at 5 p.m., in the Family Life

THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER IS CLOSED on Friday, December 18th, for the set-up of the Kiwanis Club's Christmas food basket distribution on Saturday, December 19th, in the Family Life Center.

"One Silent Night"

A Christmas Ballad of Love and Joy

11:00 a.m., December 20, 2015 Sanctuary 1

> presented by the Chancel Chair

Judy Ezell, Director



YOU ARE INVITED TO A BRIDAL TEA in honor of Davinity Tallent (granddaughter of Judith & Ronnie Barger) and Benjamin Ross on Sun., Dec. 20th, in the Family Life Center, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. Registered at Bed Bath & Beyond & Target.



and Candlelight Service in the Sanctuary at 5 p.m., Thursday, December 24th. Bring a friend.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sharon Baker Mary Conroy Richard Corbin Pat Galloway

Lesia Garrison Jesse & Nina Gibbs Carl & Kay Hesselbach Joyce Lavender

Bill Metts Fred & Linda Mullins Aud Ray Bill (Tuffv) Thurman

John D. (Danny) Chattin (Spring City Care and Rehab, #203, Hinch St.) Margie Hughes (Spring City Care and Rehab, #310, Hinch St.)

Ruth Huskins (Golden Years Retirement, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)

Ray Keylon (Spring City Care and Rehab, #502, 331 Hinch St.)

Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care and Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.)

Margaret Scholz (Spring City Care and Rehab, #511, 331 Hinch St.)

Eddie Ruth Galloway (Jim Galloway's wife) **Dallas Watson** (Daryl Watson's husband) Debbie Kay (friend of Bob & Sheila Larson) Janet Ann Keever (cousin of Theresa Lisa) Kenneth Stout (friend of Steve Keylon) Gladys Martin (friend of Becky Knox) Ed Hastings (brother-in-law of Dorathy Hastings) Kevin Stamp (Helen Miko's brother) Erwin Newell (Richard DeCroce's friend) Christina Jordan (Maunel Christi's daughter) John Tolliver (Judy Ezell's friend) Elise Sellers (mother of Susan Arp) Tammy Parsons (Helen Miko's friend) Mary Sue Garrison (friend of Glenda Keylon) Richard Reed (Nancy Gilliam's father) Lisa Oakley (Susan Collins' sister)

Merle Orender (Steve's brother) **Pravin Roy** (Doris Roy's brother-in-law) **Dennie Hernon** (brother-in-law of Emmaly & Felix Fisher) Billy Arnold (John & Mary Conroy's son-in-

Wanda Weems (Beverly Allison's sister) Jeff Coker (friend of Gil & Judy Litteken) Michael & Stephanie Shock (Letty Shock's son & granddaughter) Todd Bridwell (friend of Bennie & Susan

Billy Reed (Nancy Gilliam's brother)

Mary Balmer (mother of Chris Haerr) Janie May (Angie Rose's mother) Tom Sanders (Loretta Hale's brother) Pam Yokley (Dorathy Hasting's friend) Kennedy Ladd (Norm & Peggy Bowman's friend's baby) David Douglas (son of Max & Pat) Louise Taber (Donna Hudson's mother) Whitney Miller (Beth Keylon's niece) Michelle Nasca & Jae Williams (Bob & Sheila Larson's daughters) Haleigh Hall (Ed & Linda Gibbs'

Due to limited space, names are removed the first of each month if the church office (365-6324)

granddaughter)

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

William Ruffner (Bill & Caren Ruffner's grandson) Jonathon Harrison (James Weaver's step-grandson) **Tyler Shaffer** (Kathy Heimel's nephew) Branson Reed (Nancy Gilliam's nephew) Justin Reed (Nancy Gilliam's nephew) Monty Johnson (John & Judy Johnson's son) Nathanial Taft Moffett (grandson of Glenn Moffett) Derek Niehaus (husband of John & Sam Hanson's granddaughter) Christopher Yonke (Dianne Yonke's grandson) **Troy Brown** (Tom Heimel's friend) Sam Shaffer (Kathy Heimel's nephew) Christopher Eicher (son of David & Joyce Eicher) Robert Flynn (Whitney Flynn's brother & Tammy Flanagan's grandson) Amy Kester (Eleanor Trail's cousin) Charles Krumweide (Eleanor Trail's nephew)

John Lewis (Vickie Cheek's "other son")

Tom Reed (Nancy Gilliam's nephew)

Aaron D. Mooneyhan (June Pitman's grandson) Colby Nelson (Leon & Nancy Hicks' grandson)

John Cody Robinson (Virginia Hale's grandson)

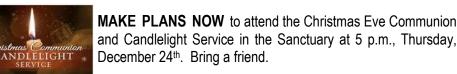
William Wilkey (Eleanor Trail's grandson)

Earl Schaller (George & Phyllis Schaller's grandson)

Thomas R. Taylor (Marilyn Cooksey's daughter-in-law's brother)

Larry Ware and Robert Ware (Robert & Kay Ware's sons)

Thomas P. Reed





Upcoming Events

Week of December 13, 2015

Sunday, December 13

9:45	Sunday School
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11:00 Morning Worship, Sanctuary

3:30 Play Participants, Family Life Center5:00 Christmas Play, Family Life Center

6:00 Cantata Practice, *Sanctuary*

8:00 AA- Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 14

10:30 TVA Retirees, Family Life Center6:30 Prayer Shawl Team, Library

7:00 Scouts

Tuesday, December 15

8:30 Mother's Day Out, Level 2 Classrooms12:00 Let's Do Lunch, Family Life Center

Wednesday, December 16

10:00 Disciple 3, *Fellowship Hall*

6:00 Advent Study & Meal, Family Life Center

7:00 Choir Practice, *Sanctuary*

Thursday, December 17

8:30 Mother's Day Out, Level 2 Classrooms
11:00 Home Prayer Group, Tuffy Thurman's home
5:00 Community Meal, Family Life Center

Friday, December 18

Church Office Closed

9-2 Family Life Center closed for Kiwanis Club's event set-up

Saturday, December 19

7-4 Distribution of Kiwanis Club Christmas Food Baskets *Family Life Center*

Monthly Giving to the General Budget				
December Budget Funds Rec'd as of 12/6/15		% Rec'd toward Monthly Budget		
\$27,232	\$10,864	40%		

Income & Expense Statement (Does not include Special Designated Gifts)

Income	% Annual	Expenses	% Annual
3 rd Qtr 2015	Budget	3 rd Qtr 2015	Budget
\$255,503	67.3%	\$275,566	72.6%

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:5-25; 67-80 (NKJV)

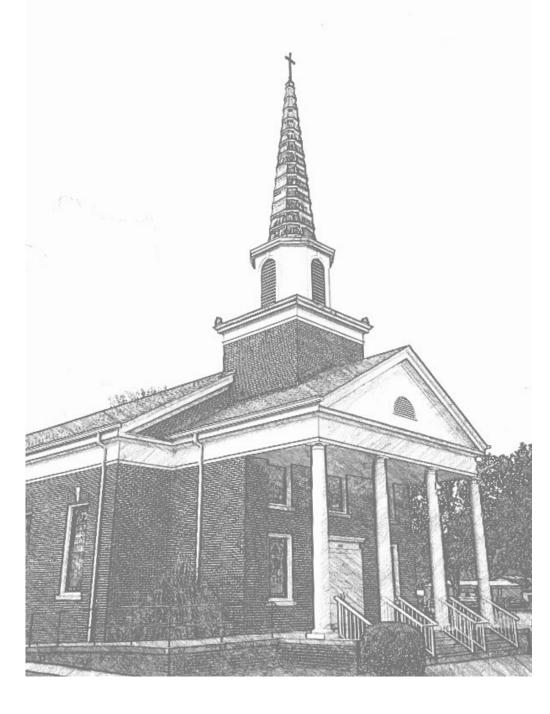
- ⁵ There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the division of Abijah. His wife was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth.
- ⁶ And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.
- 7 But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and they were both well advanced in years.
- ⁸ So it was, that while he was serving as priest before God in the order of his division,
- ⁹ according to the custom of the priesthood, his lot fell to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord.
- ¹⁰ And the whole multitude of the people was praying outside at the hour of incense.
- 11 Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing on the right side of the altar of incense.
- ¹² And when Zacharias saw him, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.
- ¹³ But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John.
- ¹⁴ And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth.
- ¹⁵ For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb.
- ¹⁶ And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God.
- ¹⁷ He will also go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, 'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children,' and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord."
- ¹⁸ And Zacharias said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is well advanced in years."
- ¹⁹ And the angel answered and said to him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and was sent to speak to you and bring you these glad tidings.
- ²⁰ But behold, you will be mute and not able to speak until the day these things take place, because you did not believe my words which will be fulfilled in their own time."
- ²¹ And the people waited for Zacharias, and marveled that he lingered so long in the temple.
- ²² But when he came out, he could not speak to them; and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple, for he beckoned to them and remained speechless.
- ²³ And so it was, as soon as the days of his service were completed, that he departed to his own house.
- ²⁴ Now after those days his wife Elizabeth conceived; and she hid herself five months, saving.
- 25 "Thus the Lord has dealt with me, in the days when He looked on $\it me$, to take away my reproach among people."
- ⁶⁷ Now his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying:
- ⁶⁸ "Blessed *is* the Lord God of Israel, For He has visited and redeemed His people,
- ⁶⁹ And has raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of His servant David,
- ⁷⁰ As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets, Who *have been* since the world began,
- 71 That we should be saved from our enemies And from the hand of all who hate us,
- ⁷² To perform the mercy *promised* to our fathers And to remember His holy covenant,
- ⁷³ The oath which He swore to our father Abraham:
- 74 To grant us that we, Being delivered from the hand of our enemies, Might serve Him without fear,
- ⁷⁵ In holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life.
- ⁷⁶ And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Highest; For you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways,
- ⁷⁷ To give knowledge of salvation to His people By the remission of their sins,
- ⁷⁸ Through the tender mercy of our God, With which the Dayspring from on high has visited us;
- ⁷⁹ To give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, To guide our feet into the way of peace."
- 80 So the child grew and became strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his manifestation to Israel.

PASTOR: Dr. Tony Collins CHOIR DIRECTOR: Judy Ezell

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES: Susan Collins CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Kaitlyn Couch CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Shelly Pruett GREETERS: Sheila Larson, Lynda Smith

NURSERY: Angie Rose & Katie

USHERS: Steve Keylon, Ken Rose, Kevin Rose, Jerry Smith



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