

Spring City United Methodist Church First Sunday after Christmas Day December 28, 2014		
PIANIST- Angela Garrison	ORGANIST- Bryan Massengale	
ACOLYTE - Oceanneanne Hunt		
GATHERING		
STRIKING OF THE HOUR	Bryan Massengale	
WELCOME	Worship Leader	
*HYMN	“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”	No. 224
(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		
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER		
*HYMN OF FAITH	“There’s a Song in the Air”	No. 249
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
THE OFFERTORY	“See Amid the Winter’s Snow”	Bryan Massengale
THE DOXOLOGY		No. 95
*GREETING EACH OTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE		
*HYMN	“Surely the Presence of the Lord”	No. 328
RECOGNITION OF GUESTS		
CHILDREN’S SERMON	John Hanson	
<i>Children, ages 3 thru 2nd grade, may now go to Children’s Church.</i>		
CHOIR ANTHEM	“Christ Is Born, Nowell”	Chancel Choir
<i>Within today's anthem the choir invites you to join us in "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."</i>		
Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness!		
Light and life to all He brings, ris'n with healing in His wings.		
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die,		
born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.		
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."		
*SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 2:22-40	Worship Leader
WORSHIP LEADER: The Word of God for the People of God		
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God		
MORNING MESSAGE	“A Sight for Certain Eyes”	Dr. Tony Collins
*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHP	“Joy to the World”	No. 246
*BENEDICTION		Dr. Tony Collins
*CHORAL AMEN	“O Come, All Ye Faithful”	Congregation & Choir
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord. #234 TUMH		
*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
THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given in loving memory of Jean Eldridge from her husband, Ray and Family.
THANK YOU: There are many people who deserve thanks for bringing a service of music in our cantata. Thanks to Lynn for her hours spent becoming our “orchestra”; Loyal, for his willingness to take a part; Tony and Silas for their “sound” help. Thanks to the choir members for their generous gifts of time and talent. It is such a privilege to work with this wonderful church family. Judy Ezell
OPENINGS ON THE 2015 FLOWER CALENDAR: There are lots of available dates on the 2015 Altar Flower calendar. If you are interested in placing flowers in the sanctuary in memory or in honor of a loved one or friend, please sign up on the flower calendar on the bulletin board in the hallway.
CHOIR PRACTICE is at 4:30 p.m., today, in the Choir Room.
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED on New Year’s Day, Thursday, January 1, 2015.
MINISTRY TEAM TRAINING is scheduled for Sunday, January 4 th , 3 - 6 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN will meet on Tuesday, January 6 th , at 6:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. All women in our church are invited.
GET REAL TRAINING for pastors and church leaders will be held at Walker Valley High School, Cleveland, Sunday, January 11, 3 - 5:05 p.m. Registration: 2:30 p.m.
TRUSTEES will meet Tuesday, January 13 th , at 7 p.m., in the Parlor.
STAFF PARISH TEAM meets on Monday, January 19 th , at 7 p.m., in the Parlor. All team members should make plans to attend this important meeting.
On New Year’s Day and the whole year through, I hope the kindness you've given to others return many times to you. Happy New Year! - Copied

REMEMBER IN PRAYER		
Pastor Tony Collins Rhonda Evans Felix Fisher Pat Galloway (No Visitors, Please) Arthur Gilliam Joe Graham	Chris Haerr Betsy Henley Carl Hesselbach Beth Keylon Bob Larson Joyce Lavender Ed Logsdon	Chuck McIlwain Bill Metts Linda Morse Fred Mullins Earl Robbins Billy Ray Thurman Lenny Winterberger
Bonnie Bowman (Spring City Care and Rehab, #407, 331 Hinch St.) Danny Chattin (Standifer Place, 2626 Walker Rd., Chattanooga, TN 37421) Mary Curtis (Spring City Care and Rehab, #411, 331 Hinch St.) Virginia Hale (195 Deer Ridge Dr., A6, Dayton, TN 37321) Irene Henley (Spring City Care and Rehab, #508, 331 Hinch St.) Margie Hughes (Abby Mae’s Hill, 419 Pin Hook Rd., Spring City) Ruth Huskins (Golden Years Retirement, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City) Ray Keylon (Spring City Care and Rehab, #502, 331 Hinch St.) Becky Knox (Spring City Care and Rehab, #207, 331 Hinch St.) Edna McCuistion (Abby Mae’s Hill, 419 Pin Hook Rd., Spring City) Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care and Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.) Elsie Robbins (Life Care Center of Rhea County, #116, 10055 Rhea Co. Hwy) Margaret Scholz (Spring City Care and Rehab, #209, 331 Hinch St.)		
Pam Yokley (friend of Dorathy Hastings) Susan Vaughn (friend of Angie Rose) Bob Kirchner (friend of Dave Eicher) Carol Requarth (friend of Linda & Ed Gibbs) Jim Badger (friend of the Uhlers) Katie Todd-Martin (Deanna Ware's sister-in-law) Chip & Walter Hughes (friends of Joe & Molly Graham) Tillery Phillips (15-month-old daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Joe Phillips, Daisy UMC) Carolyn Hesselbach (Carl & Kay's daughter) Richard Southers (Cheryl's husband) Carolyn Patterson (Margo Hinsdale's friend) David Douglas (Max & Pat's son) Bessie Gamble (Bill Ruffner's mother) Whitney Miller (Beth Keylon's niece)	Jordan Nelson (Leon & Nancy Hicks' granddaughter) Frank Sawyers (friend of Walt & Linda Morse) Michelle Nasca (Bob & Sheila Larson's daughter) Carlton Spurling (Marty Gilliam's friend) Jae Williams (Sheila Larson's daughter) Haleigh Hall (Ed & Linda Gibbs' granddaughter)	Prayer list is updated monthly. Due to limited space, names are removed if office is not notified the 1 st of each month.
PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY		
Tyler Shaffer (Kathy HeimeI's nephew) Branson Reed (Nancy Gilliam's nephew) Justin Reed (Nancy Gilliam's nephew) Trevor Harz (Kathy HeimeI'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) Dillan Osborne (Arthur & Linda Osborne's grandson) Christopher Yonke (Dianne Yonke's grandson) Troy Brown (Tom HeimeI's friend) Sam Shaffer (Kathy HeimeI'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") Aaron D. Mooneyhan (June Pitman's grandson) Colby Nelson (Leon & Nancy Hicks' grandson) Tom Reed (Nancy Gilliam's nephew) John Cody Robinson (Virginia Hale's grandson) Joshua Russell (Helen Miko's nephew) Earl Schaller (George & Phyllis Schaller's grandson) Thomas R. Taylor (Marilyn Cooksey's daughter-in-law's brother) William Wilkey (Eleanor Trail's grandson) Larry Ware and Robert Ware (Robert & Kay Ware's sons)		 Sam Shaffer

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE
Week of December 28, 2014

SUNDAY - 12/28

9:45 Sunday School
10:30 Fellowship with coffee & donuts, *Family Life Center*
11:00 Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*
4:30 Choir Practice, *Choir Room*
6:00 Youth, *Family Life Center*
8:00 AA, *Fellowship Hall, Room 105*

MONDAY - 12/29

TUESDAY - 12/30

MDO on Christmas Break

WEDNESDAY - 12/31

New Year's Eve

THURSDAY - 1/1/2015

Happy New Year! (Church Office Closed)

FRIDAY - 1/2

SATURDAY - 1/3

9 a.m. - Private Event, *Fellowship Hall*
9 p.m.

PASTOR: Dr. Tony Collins
WORSHIP LEADER: Norman Bowman
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Beth Keylon
CO-DIRECTORS OF CHILDREN: John Hanson, Angela Rose
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Kaitlyn Couch
CHOIR DIRECTOR: Judy Ezell
USHERS: Natalie Baker, Jerry Smith, Clyde Thurman, Jr., Walt Morse
HOSTS: Mary Drinkard, Linda Mullins
NURSERY: Gil & Judy Litteken
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Susan Maddux
YOUTH: 12/28 Beth Keylon 12/31 No Youth
WEBSITE TECHNICIAN: Jay Maddux
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Sharon Brown

Monthly Giving to the General Budget			
December Budget	Funds Rec'd as of 12/21	% Rec'd toward Monthly Budget	
\$26,888	\$18,869	70%	
Income & Expense Statement (Does not include Special Designated Gifts)			
Income	% Annual	Expenses	% Annual
3 rd Qtr. 2014	Budget	3 rd Qtr. 2014	Budget
\$262,599	68.5%	\$269,692	70.3%

Today's Scripture Reading

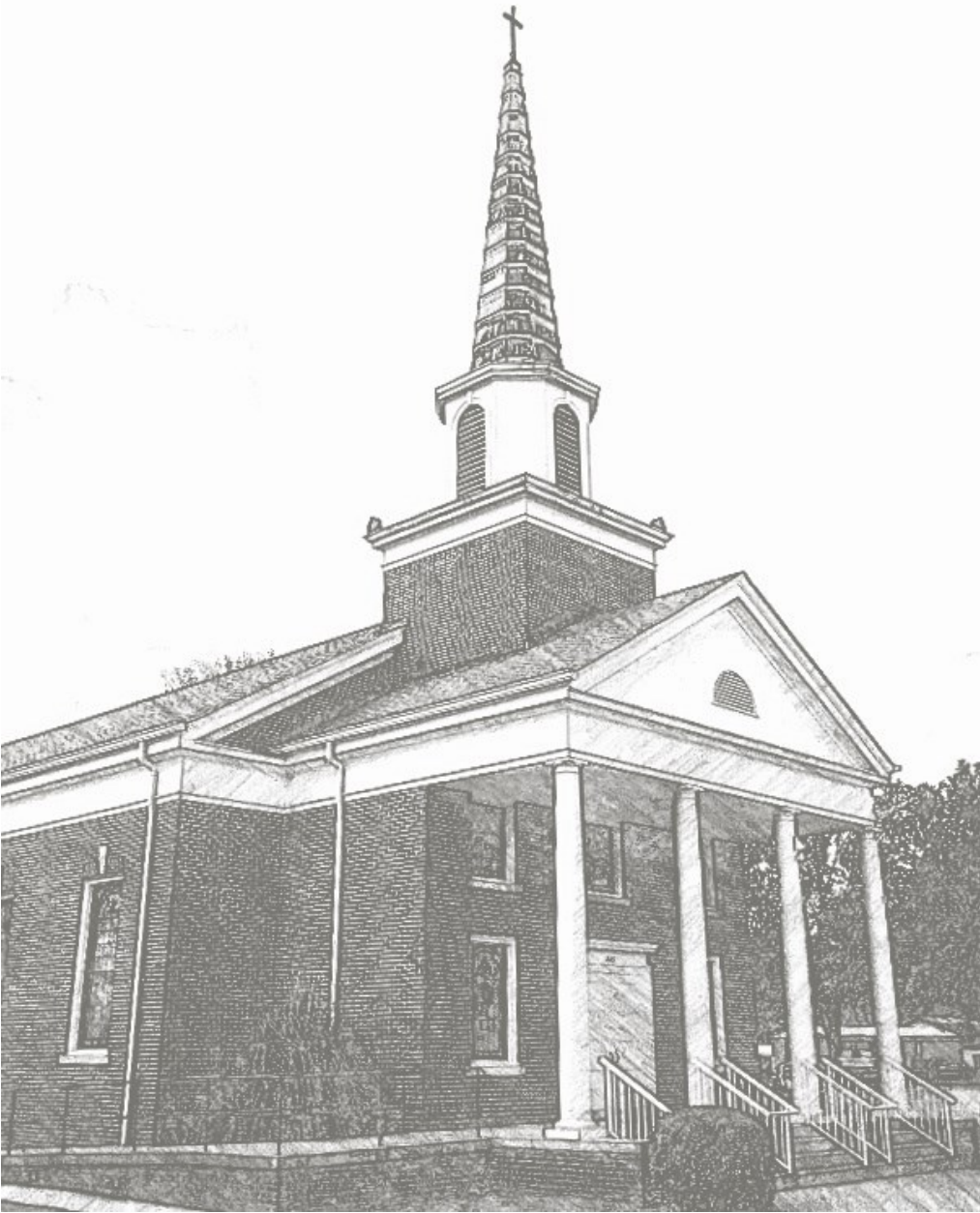
Luke 2:22-40 NRSV

²² When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord
²³ (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"),
²⁴ and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."
²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him.
²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah.
²⁷ Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law,
²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,
²⁹ "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;
³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation,
³¹ which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."
³³ And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him.
³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed
³⁵ so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."
³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage,
³⁷ then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day.
³⁸ At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.
³⁹ When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth.
⁴⁰ The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

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