

## General Announcements

### No Wednesday Night Suppers Until January 7, 2015

#### Youth Progressive Dinner Today, 6-8pm

The youth progressive dinner is today at 6pm. There are two stops this year. The first stop is at Cindy Allen's home for heavy appetizers at 1740 Beverly Woods Court Atlanta, GA 30341. Then, we travel to the **club house** where Dana Jenkins resides to have dessert. Her address is 1844 Preserve Way Atlanta, GA 30341.

#### Year-End Giving Reminder

During this busy season, please remember to honor your 2014 pledge to the Church. The Church offices will be open until 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 30, 2014 if you wish to drop off donations. All donations postmarked by December 31, 2014 will appear on giving statements for tax purposes. If you have any questions, please contact the Financial Secretary, Kathy Brannon at the Church or by e-mail at [kbrannon@chambleeumc.org](mailto:kbrannon@chambleeumc.org). Happy Holidays!

#### Sign Up for 2015 Winter Bible Studies

The book of Mark Bible Study taught by Dr. Stowe and Rev. Roberts starts Wednesday afternoons, January 14 through March 25 at 12:30pm. Josh McDaniel will teach the book of Amos Bible Study. It will start on Thursday nights, January 15 through February 19 at 7:00pm. Please see insert for details on these Bible Studies. You may sign up in the breezeway or online. To sign up online go to the Events & Registration page of our website ([www.chambleeumc.org](http://www.chambleeumc.org)) and click on the Bible Study links.

#### Children's Christmas Eve Story Time, December 24, 2pm

Children of all ages are invited to participate in this very special Christmas Eve event in the Sanctuary. Each child will have the opportunity to play a part in the Christmas story as it is read. We ask that children under the age of five years old be accompanied by a parent.

#### Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services at 5:30pm and 9pm

There will only be childcare available at the 5:30pm service.

#### Church Office Closed December 25 & 26

In case of an emergency you may contact Dr. Stowe on her cell phone at 404-317-3233.

#### Registration for 2015-2016 Chamblee First Kindergarten Program & PMO Program Begins Jan 13

Registration for the '15-'16 school year happens next month! Current students and church members may register beginning January 13; registration opens to the community on January 22. If you're interested in the preschool/kindergarten program for ages 2 - 5 years, please contact Allison Spangler at 770-457-2527 or [kindergarten@chambleeumc.org](mailto:kindergarten@chambleeumc.org) for more information. If you are interested in the Parents' Morning Out program for ages 12-24 months, please contact Chris Tench at 770-457-2525.

#### Online Giving - Save the Date!!

Online Giving will be up and running December 28. More information to follow.

#### Youth Basketball Season Starts January 3

Chamblee Youth Basketball season starts on Saturday January 3. We have both boys and girls teams ages 7-14 playing each Saturday starting at 10 am and running through the day. Some teams will be traveling so not all teams play at home each week. It is always a fun day of watching the kids and they could use your support cheering them on. See you on Saturday January 3.

#### Youth Confirmation Classes Begin January 11

Youth Confirmation classes begin January 11 during the Sunday school hour and end on Palm Sunday. For a detailed list of the Confirmation class curriculum contact Rev. Winford at [lwinford@chambleeumc.org](mailto:lwinford@chambleeumc.org) or download our youth calendar from our youth page on the website ([www.chambleeumc.org](http://www.chambleeumc.org)).

## "We're So Glad You're Here!"

Welcome! We are so glad you have decided to worship at Chamblee First United Methodist Church on this Sunday morning. Please pardon our progress as we are in the very early stages of the renovation of our sanctuary. Members and visitors alike, would you sign the attendance register and then pass it to your neighbor. If you would like to join the membership of Chamblee First, please step forward during the last verse of the last hymn. We want you to become an official member of the family! If you have your cell phone and need to keep it on, please turn it to the silent or vibrate mode and leave quietly if you receive a call.

## Mark Your Calendars

<u>Sunday December 21, 2014</u>	<u>Wednesday, December 24, 2014</u>
<b>Worship Services</b> 8:45 & 11:00 am	<b>Pickle Ball Gym</b> 9:30 am
<b>Sunday School</b> 9:45 am	<b>Children's Christmas Eve Story Time</b> 2:00 pm Sanctuary
<b>Girl Scout Troop 12595 Room 227</b> 4:00 pm	<b>Christmas Eve Communion Candlelight Service</b> Sanctuary 5:30 pm
<b>UM Youth Fellowship Progressive Dinner</b> 6:00 pm	<b>Christmas Eve Communion Candlelight Service</b> Sanctuary 9:00 pm
<u>Monday December 22, 2014</u>	<u>Thursday December 25th—Christmas Day</u> <b>Church Office Closed</b>
<b>Handbells Sanctuary</b> 6:30 pm	<b>AA Meeting Gym</b> 8:00 pm
<b>Boy Scouts Scout Hut</b> 7:00 pm	<u>Friday December 26, 2014</u> <b>Church Office Closed</b>
<u>Tuesday December 23, 2014</u>	<u>Saturday December 27, 2014</u> <b>No Scheduled Meetings</b>
<b>Staff Meeting Hospitality Room</b> 1:30 pm	

## If you Need Us!

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# Chamblee First United Methodist Church

December 21, 2014  
4th Sunday of Advent

## 8:45 am Order of Worship

<b>Prelude</b>	Mr. Bill Callaway
<b>Greetings and Announcements</b>	Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe
<b>Special Announcement by Ray Dunahoo</b>	
<b>Call to Worship</b>	Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe
<b>*Hymn</b>	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i> (ver. 1-3) UMH 234
<b>Lighting of the Advent Wreath</b>	
<b>Time of Prayer</b>	Rev. Joshua Roberts
<b>Offertory</b>	Mr. Bill Callaway
<b>*Doxology</b>	Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.
<b>Time of Fellowship</b>	
<b>Children's Sermon</b>	Rev. Joshua Roberts
<b>*Gospel Lesson</b>	Luke 1:46b-55 Rev. Joshua Roberts
<b>Sermon</b>	"Faithful" Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe
<b>*Hymn</b>	<i>It Came Upon the Midnight Clear</i> UMH 218
<b>*Benediction</b>	Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe
<b>Postlude</b>	Mr. Bill Callaway
<b>*Please Stand as Able</b>	
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# 11:00 am Order of Worship

## Chiming of the Hour

Greetings and Announcements Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe

## Special Announcement by Ray Dunahoo

Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe

Prelude *Silent Night* Gruber  
Miss Sarah Van Duser, pianist

\*Hymn *O Come, All Ye Faithful* UMH 234  
(ver. 1-3)

## Lighting of the Advent Wreath

## Baptism of Travion Tremaine Spear

Prayer Concerns & Celebrations Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe

Prayer of Hope Rev. Joshua Roberts

## 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**

Offertory *O Sanctissima* Bish  
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

## \*Doxology for Advent

\*Prayer of Dedication Rev. Joshua Roberts

Passing of the Peace  
Children's Sermon Rev. Joshua Roberts

\*Hymn *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* UMH 216

Anthem *Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine* Kirkby  
Chancel Choir

\*Gospel Lesson Luke 1:46b-55 Rev. Joshua Roberts

Sermon "Faithful" Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe

\*Hymn *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear* UMH 218

\*Benediction Rev. Dr. Royeese Stowe

Postlude *Festival Flourish on "Ding Dong, Merrily on High"* Lasky  
Mr. Bill Callaway, organist

\*Please stand as Able

**Large Print Hymnals and Hearing Devices are Available  
(Please see an usher if you need any assistance.)**

## Gospel Lesson

<sup>46b</sup> My soul magnifies the Lord,

<sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

<sup>48</sup> for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.

Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

<sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great things for me,

and holy is his name.

<sup>50</sup> His mercy is for those who fear him

from generation to generation.

<sup>51</sup> He has shown strength with his arm;

he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

<sup>52</sup> He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,

and lifted up the lowly;

<sup>53</sup> he has filled the hungry with good things,

and sent the rich away empty.

<sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel,

in remembrance of his mercy,

<sup>55</sup> according to the promise he made to our ancestors,

to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

**Luke 1:46b-55 (NRSV)**

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Homa Archer, Mildred Berry, Larry Bryant, Grayson Carter, Dillion Connolly, Frances Drummond, Eugenia Foster, Milla Gieselmann, Kelli Gonyea, Ron Gonyea, Claudia Hammond, Claude (Buster) Hodges, Jo Hoffer, Lynn Johnston, Mark Lemerman (Barbara Roberts' nephew), Sheree Mayo, Tom Mims, Jean Mims, Moi Monroe, Dean Nichols, Garland Phelps, Roberta Phelps, Charlene Rankin, Dottie Riviere, Penny Rose, Gordon Rowell, Neb Shearouse, Carolyn Sherrill, Kenneth Sims (Melissa Holt's father), Don Skender, Lyman Strickland, Mike Swing, Greg Thomas, Lisa Tink, Bill Usher, Ron Van Note, Rosella Viner, Bill Watterson (Dean Nichols' nephew), Dave Winters, our shut-ins and all those battling cancer.

## Memorial & Honorarium Gifts

**In Memory of Jane Burke:** Gene & JoAnne Lawson

## Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are placed to the glory of God and in honor of Scott and Shirley Pirnie's 50th wedding anniversary on December 27th.

## Financial Report

### General Fund

50th: 12/14/14

Total Tithes & Income: \$878,996.93

Total Expenses: \$872,622.71

Variance: \$ 6,374.22

REMINDER: If you have not already done so, please turn in your 2015 pledge cards so that we can complete the campaign. Pledge cards and envelopes are available from the Ushers and can be placed in Kathy Brannon's mailbox in the copy room or mailed to the Church attention Accounting Office. The continued generosity of our members funds the ministries and missions of the Church in the community and throughout the world. We are blessed and grateful.