

Order of Worship
Liturgical Color: Purple

Welcome and Announcements		Jamie Farquhar
Prelude		Kathy Willis
Processional Hymn #234	<i>“O Come All Ye Faithful”</i>	Congregation
Lighting of the Advent Candle		Tim & Kathy Hooper
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Matt Albritton
The Hope of Christmas		
Lesson One		
Anthem	<i>“In the Bleak Midwinter”</i>	Chancel Choir
The Promise of Christmas		
Lesson Two		
Anthem	<i>“Every Valley”</i>	Chancel Choir
The Wonder of Christmas		
Lesson Three		
Anthem	<i>“To a Maid Engaged to Joseph”</i>	Chancel Choir
Children’s Church Dismissal		
Hymn #230	<i>“O Little Town of Bethlehem”</i>	Congregation
The Majesty of Christmas		
Lesson Four		
Anthem	<i>“Silent Night”</i>	Chancel Choir
The Mystery of Christmas		
Lesson Five		
Anthem	<i>“Sussex Carol”</i>	Chancel Choir
The Brilliance of Christmas		
Lesson Six		
Anthem	<i>“What Star Is This, With Beams So Bright”</i>	Chancel Choir
Offertory Prayer		Rev. Matt Albritton
Offertory		
Doxology		95
The Glory of Christmas		
Lesson 7		
Reflection		Rev. Matt Albritton
Anthem	<i>“Go Tell It On the Mountain”</i>	Chancel Choir
Closing Hymn #246	<i>“Joy to the World”</i>	Congregation
Benediction		Rev. Matt Albritton

✦ Welcome ✦

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we are so glad you are here! Please fill out the attendance booklet located on your pew. For more information, please contact the church office at 567-7865 or check us out on the web at www.wetumpkafirst.com.

Hey everybody! **Join us Wednesday, December 19 at 5:15 p.m. for a Celebration Dinner prepared by our fabulous kitchen crew!** We will be gathering for the last time before Christmas break and honoring Jesus' birthday! We will resume Wednesday night dinner on January 9th.



DON'T FORGET your Angel Tree gifts!
Please bring your purchased gifts to Wesley Hall NO LATER than this Wednesday, December 19.
See Nancy Holdbrooks, Michelle, or Jamie if you have any questions on how you can show Jesus' love to our kids! And, don't forget to pray for our kids and their families too! **Thank you for having a generous heart!**



Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion
Bring your family and join us at **5 p.m.** as we celebrate the wonderful birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

We are so excited to continue teaching our kids about compassion in December. They are learning that compassion is caring enough to do something about someone else's need. How can you and your kids show compassion this Christmas season?

Don't miss event: The Children's Choir is singing next Sunday in the 10:30 am service! Come hear our kids worship our Lord & Savior!

I136 STUDENT MINISTRY (Youth)

*For from him and through him and for him are all things.
To him be the glory forever! Amen. Romans 11:36*

Our Christmas Party is TODAY—December 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Sr. Adult Ministry

Have a very Merry Christmas!
We are looking forward to a terrific 2019!!!
Celestra

ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR

Thank you for keeping our altar beautiful with fresh flowers each Sunday. The 2019 Altar Flowers Calendar is posted. The calendar is filling fast, so contact the church office now to reserve your special date!

READ THE BIBLE THROUGH IN ONE YEAR

December

- 17 *Reflect on God as Savior*
- 18 Micah 6-7 Ps. 144 Matt. 15
- 19 Nahum Prov. 27 Matt. 16
- 20 Habakkuk Ps. 145 Matt. 17
- 21 Zephaniah Prov. 28 Matt. 18
- 22 Haggai Ps. 146 Matt. 19
- 23 Zech. 1-3 Prov. 29 Matt. 20

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for your many acts of kindness to my Dad, George Dunn. From prayers, visits, calls and meals your caring reflects the love of our Lord, Jesus Christ. God Bless you.

Teresa McGriff



Prayer List

Please help us keep our prayer list up-to-date by notifying the church office to remove names from the list as appropriate.

Mary Ann Pickett, Robert Autrey, Vickie Hurst, Connie & Larry Mann, Rebecca Mobley, Dub Coker, Vivian Ellis, Alice Dozier, Kathy McFarland, Edward Johnson, Justin Harbuck, Stanley Phillips, Shelly Moody, Edward Housel, Suzanna Ozley, Marilyn Zeigler, Lee Cash, Shy Pilgreen, Jimmy Covan, Alice Tindal, Yvonne Smith, Sheila Montiel, Duane & Suzanne Jones, Chris Jones, Betty Evans, Ann Knighton, Lee Trotter, Harlice Kirby, Barbara Knight, Jean Webb, John Mann, Jerry Bise



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by the Altar Guild.

Christmas Holiday Celebration

Roast Beef with Gravy
Potatoes and Onions
Roasted Carrots
Green Bean Casserole
Yeast Rolls
Holiday Desserts

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. Malachi 3:10

Our Record of Faithfulness and Stewardship

December 9, 2018

Offerings

General Fund	\$	8546.35
Loose Plate	\$	163.00
Other	\$	1560.00
Total	\$	10,269.35

Attendance

Sunday School—101
8:15 Worship— 44 10:30 Worship— 157
Hispanic Worship—76

Sunday School Attendance Banner

Youth Class 82% Bruce Airey 73%

Service Helpers

Ushers

1st Sunday

8:15—Larry Dozier, Trip Weldon
10:30—Damon Patton, Bob Reneau, Tommy Head, Damon Abernethy, Marvin Salter

Greeters

8:15—Asenath Coker, Julie Powell, Carol Turner
10:30—Celestra Rowell, Mardre Williams, Donna Hall

Counters—Alice Scarborough, Charlotte Whetstone

Elevator Operator—Marvin Salter

Ushers

2nd Sunday

8:15—Lee Cash, Gary Barnes
10:30—Richard Knighton, J.D. Hobbie, Joe McDonald, Lee Macon

Greeters

8:15—Sue Moody, Marilyn Dozier, Debbie Barnes
10:30—Jane Salter, Pat Hobbie, Cathy Gieseler

Counters—Trip Weldon, Bob Reneau

Elevator Operator—Damon Abernethy

Ushers

3rd Sunday

8:15—Mark Matthews, Rick Tyler
10:30—Hughett Williams, Larry Hill, Felix Dudley, Cal Estabrook

Greeters

8:15—Cindy Rouse, Bailey Turner, Carson Turner
10:30—Jonny McCune, Judy Bianchi, Carl Bledsoe, Sharon Bledsoe, Sandra Hill, Judy Dudley

Counters—Judy Bianchi, Mardre Williams

Elevator Operator—Shelton Prine

Ushers

4th Sunday

8:15—John Bush, Jimmy Martin
10:30—Earl Gillian, Ed Johnson, Jerry Potts

Greeters

8:15—Donna Matthews, Brysene Lee, Carol Bush
10:30—Sharon Potts, Nell Head

Counters—Lee Macon, Marvin Salter

Elevator Operator—Gloria Johnson

Counters 5th Sunday—Jo Glenn, Mary Weldon

Ushers/Greeters 5th Sunday—Youth Team

Sound System Operator—Ben Williams

Children's Church—Jane Salter

Floater—Hughett Williams



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Wetumpka, Alabama

December 16, 2018

Third Sunday of Advent

Combined Worship 10:30 AM

Sunday School 9:20 AM

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Mission Statement

With a heart for Jesus Christ, First United Methodist Church of Wetumpka comes together as a family of God. Our purpose is to welcome and win our community to Jesus Christ. By encouraging spiritual growth, and fostering Christian fellowship, we give glory and praise to our God.