

Order of Worship

Liturgical Color: White

| | | |
|---|--|--------------|
| Welcome and Announcements | 8:15 Jamie Farquhar | |
| | 10:30 Jamie Farquhar | |
| Prelude | | Kathy Willis |
| *Hymn | <i>“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”</i> | 224 |
| *Affirmation of Faith | The Apostles’ Creed “holy catholic church” (the church universal) | 881 |
| Gloria Patri | | 70 |
| <i>Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.</i> | | |
| Time of Greeting | <i>“Family of God”</i> | |
| <i>I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God, I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood! Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod, For I'm part of the family, the Family of God.</i> | | |
| Concerns of a Caring Fellowship Prayer | Rev. Matt Albritton | |
| The Lord's Prayer | Rev. Matt Albritton | |
| *Hymn | <i>“We Three Kings”</i> | 254 |
| *Offertory Prayer | Rev. Matt Albritton | |
| Offertory | | |
| *Doxology | | 95 |
| <i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.</i> | | |
| Children's Moment | Michelle Abernathy | |
| Children's Church | Debbie Barnes | |
| Scripture | 8:15 Celes Barker | |
| | 10:30 Katavious Sims | |
| Sermon | Rev. Matt Albritton | |
| *Hymn | <i>“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”</i> | 251 |
| Benediction | | |

**Please stand as you are able.*

USHERS TODAY ARE: Emma Gilliland, Ella Gilliland,
Kaitlyn Spears, Brandee Sims, Antonio Smoke

✦ **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 by phone at (334) 567-7865, email us at secretary@firstwetumpka.com, or check us out on the web at www.wetumpkafirst.com.

We were so blessed to have 179 people attend our wonderful Christmas Eve Worship!

Humbled and blessed by all the Christmas greetings, gifts and goodies. God has blessed us over the years by allowing us to serve some wonderful people and some great churches. We are thrilled to serve the Lord at First United Methodist Church of Wetumpka and look forward to a spectacular year in 2020. May God continue to bless you all. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. In Christ's arms, Matt & Tammy

Important note from our financial secretary:
Contributions must be made **no later than 10 a.m. on Dec. 31st** to receive credit on your 2019 contribution statement. (Office open 8—10 a.m. on Dec.31)

May everyone have a Happy New Year filled with many unexpected blessings!!! Please note: The church offices will be closed on December 31st and January 1st.

Thank you to Felix Dudley, Tim & Julie Lawrence, Daniel and Ashtin Arant and Karen Reneau for helping with the church float. And most of all thanks to Charlotte who patiently answered all my emails and phone calls.

Coming up in January:

- **You're invited to be a part of our New Ministry:**
Trails Temple Ministry...join us on a trail walk and devotional each month as we walk trails in the area the first Saturday of each month. Contact Carl Bledsoe at pharmcarl@gmail.com to be added to the list of walkers and learn of upcoming events. **The next walk is January 4th.**
- **Our Wednesday Night Activities will begin on January 8.**
- **Mark your calendars for our District Conference and Training Session -** Sunday, January 12 at Montgomery FUM from 2– 5 p.m.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

I hope everyone had a wonderful time celebrating Jesus' birthday! Now it's time to decide how we will choose to look at the new year God has given us. How will you strive to know Jesus and make Him known in 2020?

Remember, bus pick up starts back Wednesday, January 8th for Children's Ministry. Blessings!

SR. ADULT MINISTRY

What an amazing 2019! Check out the upcoming January newsletter for an exciting recap! Thanks to the Senior Adult Council for all your help this past year. Nothing would have happened without your help. It was an awesome year and we all look forward to making plans for 2020. To God Be the Glory!!!! Happy New Year, Celestra

1136 STUDENT MINISTRY

Most people are pretty sure they know the story of Christmas, but there's a problem with seeing the story of Jesus' birth as just another story from the Bible. The story of Christmas isn't just one of many stories in Scripture; it's an epically key part of the big story of God and His relationship with His creation. This month we're discussing and walking through how the birth of Jesus changes the story of humanity forever in a way that is completely unexpected, undeserved, unbelievable, and undeniable.

No regular hangout tonight or activities this Wednesday. Bring in the new year on a high note this week by continuing to show God's light and selfless love to family, friends, and strangers alike. God loves and cares for everyone we meet, and so should we!

READ THE BIBLE THROUGH IN ONE YEAR

January

- 1 **Reflect on God as Creator**
- 2 Gen. 1-4 Ps. 1 Matt. 1
- 3 Gen. 5-9 Prov. 1 Matt. 2
- 4 Gen. 10-14 Ps. 2 Matt. 3
- 5 Gen. 15-18 Prov. 2 Matt. 4
- 6 Gen. 19-22 Ps. 3 Matt. 5
- 7 Gen. 23-25 Prov. 3 Matt. 6

SERMON NOTES

**“A Different Way”
Matthew 2: 1-12**



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, Rebecca Mobley, Sara & Harlice Kirby, Dianne Stone, Buddy Staley, Ed Williams, Kathy McFarland, Willard Brown, Shelia Montiel, Richard Johnson, Margaret Wilson, Sharon & Jerry Potts, Leah Pridgen, Presley Marie, David Dudley, Michael Hall, Rebecca Whittle, Virginia Mossberg, Matt Bledsoe, Frank Johnston, Sawyer McCoy and his mom Tonya, Mike Lewis, Danny Franks, Sue Moody, Presley Marie, Michael Trotter, Betty Nixon, Jackie McDonald, Ed & Gloria Johnson, Caleb Jeffers, Brenda Mooney.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful flowers placed on the altar this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my husband Don E. Brannan and my very good friend Mildred Trotter by Shirley Brannan.



Serving this week:

The kitchen crew looks forward to serving a scrumptious meal when everyone returns on Wednesday, January 8th.

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:7-8 (NIV)

Our Record of Faithfulness and Stewardship

December 22, 2019

Offerings

| | |
|--------------|----------|
| General Fund | \$ (tba) |
| Loose Plate | \$ (tba) |
| Other | \$ (tba) |
| Total | \$ tba) |

Attendance

Sunday School—87
Worship 8:15—35 10:30—154
Hispanic Worship—(tba)

Sunday School Attendance Banner

Eternal Hearts 94%

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, John Scott

Greeters

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

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—Debbie Barnes

Floater—Michelle Abernathy

Communion Stewards for 8:15 a.m. for January 2020

Felix Dudley, Rick Tyler, alternate

Communion Stewards for 10:30 a.m. for January 2020

Marvin Salter, Bob Reneau, Mabrey Whetstone



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Wetumpka, Alabama

December 29, 2019

First Sunday after Christmas Day

Worship 8:15 A.M.
Sunday School 9:20 A.M.
Worship 10:30 A.M.

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.