

THE MESSENGER

First United Methodist Church

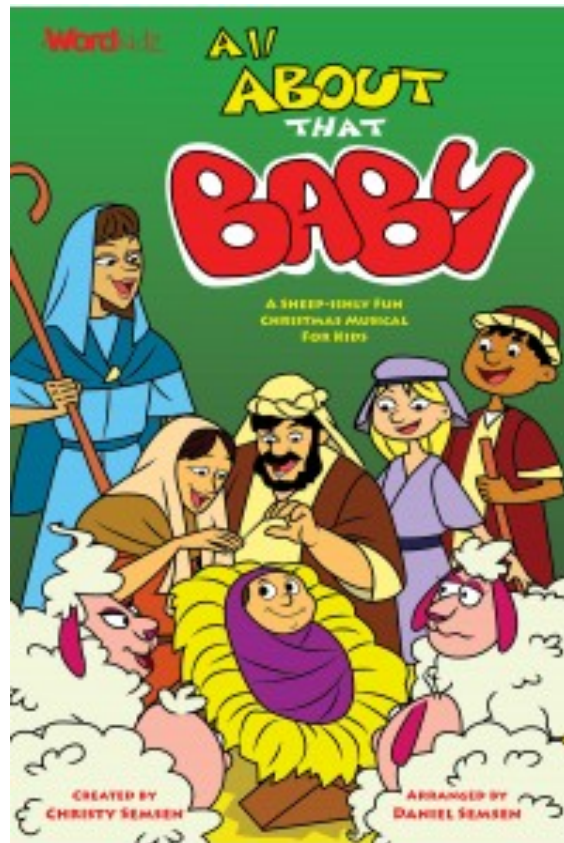
Loving Christ, Loving others, Serving God

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December 6, 2017



Presented by:
FUMC Children's Choir
Sunday, December 10
6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, December 10

5:30 P.M.-MYF, Activities Building

CHILDREN'S NEWS

Saturday, December 9

9:00 A.M.-Dress Rehearsal for "All About That Baby",
Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 10

4:30 P.M.-Children need to be at the fellowship hall

What to wear: Dark pants/leggings; black socks; dark,
plain t-shirt

They will have costumes at the church for Sunday
night.

Girls: no bows in hair

Angel boys: white socks

Mary/Addison: white leggings, white socks

NATIVITY SETS NEEDED

If you have a nativity set that the church can use to decorate
the parlor during the holiday season, please let Edee know!

"STAYING IN LOVE"

by: ANDY STANLEY

Hosted by The Messengers Sunday School Class

This four week video study will begin Sunday, January
7th with a snack supper served at 5:30 in the fellowship
hall and study from 6-7 pm. A nursery will be
provided. Participant guides are \$9. Let Tracy in the
church office (563-4534) know if you need one.
"Falling in love is easy, staying in love requires a plan!"
Join us for fun, food and fellowship.

ADVENT OFFERING

Throughout Advent we will receive your special "Little Light of
Mine" United Methodist Children's Home offerings. See brochure
insert for more information. Please make checks payable to FUMC.

ESTIMATE OF GIVING FOR 2018

If you have not turned in a commitment card for 2018 and Mrs.
Barbara drafts your account, she will continue with the same
amount. If you would like it changed or for her not to draft your
account, you need to contact her at 563-4534 and let her know.

LIBRARY NEWS

From Genesis to Malachi, read Outline Studies in the Books of the
Old Testament (A MOO). Also donated by the John Meacham
family are the books Old Testament with notes and study guides (A
ACK) and The Modern Student's Life of Christ (A VOL).

PRAYER REQUEST

MEMBERS: Bonnie Land, Janet Flint, Trey McGovern, Annie Glen Howell, George Caffey, Steve Still, Charlie Overton, John Bailey, Frances Seale, Abbey & Alden Climer, Collins Bailey, Eloise Rollins, James Hardy, Chris Burchfield, John M. Mothershed, Loree Tucker, Smylie Carothers, Joyce Whitaker, Ellis Byrd, Al Haberman, Mary Moody, Asa Tucker, Clint Williford, Brenda Pratt

FRIENDS: Jim & Shelda Murphree (both & sister-in-law of Vivian Bridges), Lee Hardin (brother of Linda Floyd & Mary Jane Chapman), Dena Harrison (daughter-in-law of Shellie Harrison), Rose Bradford, Louise Gilbert, Bobby Burkhalter, Christina LaBorde (Loree Tucker's niece), Carly Griste, Sydney Elliott, Meb Reedy (sister of Frances Amis & Mitzi Still), Paulette Norman (Friend of Phyllis Floyd), Bill Elmore (Kelley Robison's dad), Lucie LaBorde (Loree Tucker's sister), Chris Nichols, Clay Hoyt (Loree Tucker's brother-in-law), Jan Stone Ireland, Cheryl Kay Linder, Shauna Hill

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR ADVENT

Sunday, December 10

6:00 P.M.-Children's Choir "All About That Baby", Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 17

6:00 P.M.-Chancel Choir Cantata "Celebration of Lights", Sanctuary

Thursday, December 21

Church office closing at noon for Christmas
6:00 P.M.-Longest Night Service, Sanctuary


Sunday, December 24

5:30 P.M.-Piano/Organ Prelude, Hollie Roberson/Sabrina Morris

6:00 P.M.-Christmas Eve Communion

Tuesday, December 26

Church office closed for Christmas



DECEMBER 11, 2017

**CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS
UMW MEETING
12:00 PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Please bring donations of canned cranberry sauce and other items for a Christmas meal for Panola Food Pantry.

Special thanks to Tony Jones for an enlightening presentation on church safety and ways to protect against personal injury and cyber crime at the November meeting.

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November Food Pantry donations:
72 cans of green beans; 24 cans cranberry sauce; 10 boxes of cake mix; 1 salad dressing; large box of plastic bags

Happy Birthday

December 7-Bailey Guckert
December 8-Miles Russell Mitchell
December 9-Cherry Craven, Linda Floyd, Les Land, Amanda Overton, Jackson Thomas
December 10-Betty Greenlee
December 11-Bubba Brame, Mary Ann McCurdy, Pat Ross, Martha Watt
December 12-William Borden
December 13-Mitzi Hardy, Charles McMillan

Happy Anniversary

December 9- M/M Lent Ervin Thomas
December 10-M/M William L. Magee, Jr.
December 11-M/M Jamie Roberson
December 12-M/M Jim Beard
December 13-M/M Jason King

December 10-Nursery Workers

December 10-Acolytes

8:45 A.M.

Hailey Heafner/Chaney Beth Hannaford

10:55 A.M.

Addison Willingham

December 10-Ushers

8:45 A.M.

Glenn Gray/Clint Fisher
Dave Billingsley/Josh Vick

10:55 A.M.

Lee Garner/Daryl Neal
Wade Meek/Calvin Flint

MORNING WORSHIP

"What Sort of People are We?"

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Ed Temple

EVENING WORSHIP

"All About That Baby"

Fellowship Hall

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, December 6

3:30 P.M.-Wonderful Wednesdays

6:00 P.M.-Jr. High Girls' Covenant Group, Jessica

Hawkins

6:00 P.M.-Chancel Choir

Thursday, December 7

12:00 P.M.-Explorer's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, December 9

9:00 A.M.-Rehearsal for "All About That Baby"

Sunday, December 10

8:45 A.M.-Early Morning Worship

**9:30 A.M.-Fellowship with coffee and donuts in the
Activities Building**

9:45 A.M.-Sunday School

10:55 A.M.-Morning Worship

5:30 P.M.-MYF, Activities Building

6:00 P.M.-"All About That Baby", Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 11

10:00 A.M.-MAC

12:00 P.M.-United Methodist Women, Fellowship Hall

1:30 P.M.-Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, December 12

9:00 A.M.-Staff Meeting

7:00 P.M.-Explorer's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, December 13

**3:30 P.M.-Wonderful Wednesdays (Last one for this
semester)**

6:00 P.M.-Chancel Choir

Financial Report for December 3, 2017

2017 Budget	\$1,013,970.00
Budget Amt. Needed Weekly	19,499.42
Budget Amt. Needed to Date	955,421.58
Budget Amt. Offering	27,035.00
Budget Amt. Rec'd to Date	797,114.23
Good Samaritan	132.00

Remember you can give online!

<https://batesvillefumc.com> and click on the "Give"
tab.

Attendance for December 3, 2017

Sunday School	188
Morning Worship	266
8:45 A.M.	165
10:55 A.M.	97
Nursery	4

ESTIMATE OF GIVING UPDATE AS OF 11/30/2017:

Total Pledged:	\$635,675.50
2018 Budget:	1,024,512.00

This reflects 63% of our 2018 budget pledged.

