

**11:00 a.m. Service**  
Modern and experientially centered worship

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**THE PEOPLE GATHER**

Welcome and Announcements – *(please sign the friendship pads)*

We begin with the Bible . . .

Raising our voices in thanks and praise:

♪ Angels We Have Heard on High – UMH 238

♪ Shout to the North – (ppt)

**WE HEAR AND EXPERIENCE GOD’S WORD**

A time of centering prayer

..... **LIGHTING THE CANDLES OF THE ADVENT WREATH** .....

FWS 2090 Light the Advent Candle: Refrain, Verse 3, Refrain

A reading from the Bible – Luke 1:26-38

*“An angel tells Mary about the birth of Jesus”*

Leader: The Word of the Lord    **PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD.**

The ministry of music

*Following the Ministry of Music, children age four through grade three  
are invited to go to Children’s Church, upstairs in Room #201.*

The message: **“COMPLETE OBEDIENCE”**

**WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS**

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♪ Star Child – FWS 2095

The ministry of giving (prayer of dedication and offering)

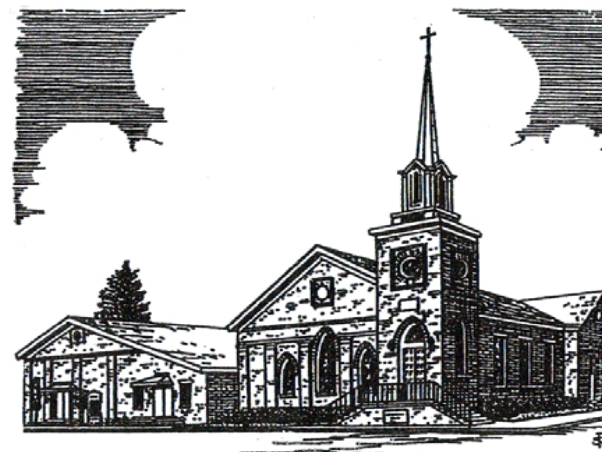
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♪ The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy – FWS 2098

A parting blessing

Singing our benediction (On Eagles’ Wings – FWS 143)

Music to energize us as we go to reflect the light of Christ



*Williamsburg  
United  
Methodist  
Church*

**December 14, 2008**

*Welcome*    **To the WILLIAMSBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:**

Welcome friends!

Grace to you and peace from God and our Lord Jesus Christ. May the good tidings of great joy resonate in our hearts as we share our hearts with God and our friendship with one another.

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**FRIENDSHIP REGISTER** - Please pass the **Friendship pad** along your row, so each person can write his/her name, address & e-mail. If you are a guest to our church please fill out the card at the top of the friendship pad, then place it in the offering plate so we can get to know you better.

**INFANT & TODDLERS CARE** (under 4 years of age) is available in room #6, down the hallway from the Worship Center.

**DONATIONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS** may be placed in the blue tubs at each entrance of the sanctuary / worship center. Distribution is made through the “Emergency Mission” program of the Williamsburg area churches.

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**\* Our Vision and Mission \***

To be a healthy, growing, spiritually vital, risk-taking center  
for making disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the purpose of transforming the world.



## Welcome

*Say, (as each candle is lit)*

“We light the candle of hope. Like the prophets, we hope for a Savior.  
We light the candle of love, thankful for God’s love shown in Jesus.  
We light the candle of peace, rejoicing in the peace Jesus brings.”

**Read:** Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

<sup>2</sup>Those who walked in the dark have seen a bright light. And it shines upon everyone who lives in the land of darkest shadows.

<sup>6</sup>A child has been born for us. We have been given a son who will be our ruler. His names will be Wonderful Advisor and Mighty God, Eternal Father and Prince of Peace.

<sup>7</sup>His power will never end; peace will last forever. He will rule David's kingdom and make it grow strong. He will always rule with honesty and justice.

The LORD All-Powerful will make certain that all of this is done.

**Sing:** Advent Song - FWS 2090, verse 3 with the Refrain before and after

Candle, candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night.  
Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light.

3. Light the Advent Candle three: Think of heavenly harmony;  
Angels singing “Peace on Earth” at the blessed savior’s birth.

Candle, candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night.  
Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light.

## Pray:

Thank you God for the peace you give us. We ask that as we wait for all your promises to come true, and for Christ to come again, that you would remain present with us. Help us today, and everyday to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your peace with each other. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

## Schedule of Activities for the Week of

December 14<sup>th</sup> - December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008

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### **TODAY SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup>:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

- 9:00 a.m. Worship and Praise
- 10:00 a.m. Classes and Groups
- 11:00 p.m. Worship and Praise
- 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Parsonage Open House**, 456 S. Broadway Street  
Duane and Deb invite you to stop by and enjoy a bit of the season with them.  
Feel free to drop in at your convenience and come and go as you wish.
- 6:00 p.m. **NO** Sing-a-long gang rehearsal in Worship Center
- 6:00 p.m. **“Angels Alert!”** Presented by Williamsburg Community Kid’s Choir at the Williamsburg High/Middle School Auditoria, 500 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street.
- 7:00 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal

### **MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup>:** Last Day to order Poinsettias (see item #4)

- 6:00 p.m. Bear (3<sup>rd</sup> grade) Den Meeting in Room # 205
- 7:00 p.m. Tiger (1<sup>st</sup> grade) Den Meeting in Room # 205

### **WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup>:**

- 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. After School Group for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders in Youth Room
- **3:30 p.m. Tutoring in Fellowship Hall (Christmas Party)**
- **7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
- 7:00 p.m. Wolf (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) Den Meeting in Room # 208
- 7:00 p.m. Webelos 1 (4<sup>th</sup> grade) Den Meeting Room #205
- 7:00 p.m. Webelos 2 (5<sup>th</sup> grade) Den Meeting Room #201

**THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup>:** Last day for bulletin information to be turned into the office for this week

- **2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Quilting Ministry in Family Consumer Science Room of the High School**
- **3:30 p.m. Tutoring in Fellowship Hall (Christmas Party)**
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer Service in Chapel

### **SATURDAY 20<sup>th</sup>:** 8:00 a.m. Cookie making in Kitchen & Fellowship Hall

- 9:00 a.m. Rising Tides Practice in Worship Center
- 9:30 a.m. – Noon Cantata Dress Rehearsal

**NEXT SUNDAY 21st: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes
- 10:15 a.m. Worship Service including a “**Christmas Cantata**”  
Fellowship time to follow in the Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. **Christmas Candlelight Service:** Carols, Candlelight, and the Christ Child  
The service is patterned after the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols.  
Join us as we usher in the celebration of Christ’s birth together.

(1) We are looking for people who will serve as readers for the Christmas Candlelight Services on either Sunday, December 21 at 7:00 p.m. or Wednesday, December 24 at 11:00 p.m.

The readers will be sharing scripture lessons that give the background of the great gift of forgiveness and salvation that comes to us in the babe of Bethlehem. We would hope to have readers of different ages, genders, and interests.

If you are willing to be a part of one of our Candlelight celebrations, please let Rev. Kemerley know ASAP or at least by Friday, December 19 -- 513-490-6083; [DKemerley@aol.com](mailto:DKemerley@aol.com)

(2) **USHERS & ACOLYTES FOR 11:00 a.m. SERVICE:** Sign-up sheet is in the Lobby.

(3) **PECANS ARE HERE:** The chocolate and cooking pecans have arrived. They will be available before both services in lobby. Cost is \$ 7.00 for both types.

(4) **POINSETTIAS:** Place your poinsettia order by Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> in memory or in honor of a loved one to be placed on the altar. Call Basket & Treasures at 724-9700, they will deliver your poinsettia to the church. Cost for 1 plant is \$12.00, 2 plants is \$20.00, colors are red, pink, white, jingle bell & cinnamon pink. Cost for 3 plants is \$30.00; colors are red, pink & white. You may bring your own plant – please put name on plant.

(5) **CHRISTMAS CARD TABLE:** The table is located in the Fellowship Hall. Place your cards on the table with the last name of the person you want to receive a card on the corresponding alphabet letter. This gives you the opportunity to save some postage \$\$ and to enjoy the fellowship of sharing Christmas greetings. The money you save can be donated to the mission and ministries of the church. Take time and check to see if you have received a special card from someone who is wishing you a Blessed Merry Christmas.

(6) **EMERGENCY MISSION:** We are blessed with shelves fully stocked with food. Our need at present is personal hygiene products, paper and laundry products. .

(7) **DAVID WHITE CONDUCTING HANDEL’S “MESSIAH” WITH LYNNE CARTER SINGING**  
Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 p.m., Hillsboro Church of Christ, 155 West Walnut St.  
Hillsboro, Oh 45133, 937-393-1752

**(8) MINISTRY UPDATE** – December 7, 2008

Christian Education Classes (Children 5, Youth 5, Adult 52) 62 Average YTD 86  
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services 73 + 65 138 Average YTD 171  
Received last week for the Budget: \$ 3,934.00  
Budget Goal Year to Date: 248,250.00  
Received for the Budget YTD: \$ 210,093.57  
Budget Expenses YTD: \$ 219,982.46

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**Otterbein Lebanon Retirement Living Community  
Presents**

**A Renaissance Feaste**

**January 8 & 9, 2009 - 6:00 p.m. (Doors open at 5:30 p.m.)**

Otterbein Lebanon Campus Center Multipurpose Room

Tickets \$15.00 per person - Dinner & Entertainment included

For reservations call: The Renaissance ‘Hot Line’ at 513-696-8575

After December 8, 2008 OR

Mail your check to: Renaissance Tickets, Otterbein Lebanon

Red Flyer on bulletin board in Fellowship Hall for more information

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**TODAY'S SERVANTS AND HELPERS**

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	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeters:	Floyd & Janis Reynolds Sandy Newsom & Joanne Cornelius	
Ushers:	Les Harvey & Jerry Mursinna Pete Cooper & Tayler Cooper	
Worship Leader:	Guy Bainum	Doug Chalker
Nursery Helpers:		Desiree Lehn
Junior Church: Children age 4 through 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade are invited to go upstairs to <u>Room # 201</u> :		
	Patti Block	John Wells & Katie Campbell

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The rose on the Communion Table celebrates the birth of Bailee Matracia  
Daughter of Beth & Nick Matracia and Granddaughter of Jack & Carolee Grehan

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 Organist . . . . . Ruth White  
 Nursery Caregiver . . . . . Hannah Bainum . . . . . bainumh1@NKU.edu  
 Lay Leader . . . . . Guy Bainum . . . . . guy\_bainum@milacron.com  
 Pastor Emeritus . . . . . Rev. Bob Parr . . . . . ParrGolfers@yahoo.com

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**WILLIAMSBURG EMERGENCY MISSION**  
 Tuesdays, Wednesday, & Fridays, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Week of December 14th**



**PRAYER FOCUS:**

Gary & Cindy Felts: Nick  
 Tim & Wanda Ferree  
 Jacob

Dana & Michelle Fender: Patrick, Harry  
 Tom & Kristy Fishback: Grace, Tony,

*Join us as we pray our way through the membership of the congregation. Some week, it will be you.*

**REQUESTS FOR PRAYER FROM LAST SUNDAY'S PRAYER CARDS:**

For **Wess & Susan Adams** submitted by Deb Kemerley

**REQUESTS FOR PRAYER FROM ONLINE SOURCES:**

For **Edith Ferree** (sister-in-law of Tim Ferree) by e-mail prayer chain  
 For **Davenport Family** submitted by e-mail prayer chain  
 For **Deputy Sheriff** involved in auto accident with the Davenport Family

**ON GOING CONCERNS LONG TERM:**

Evalou Jones	Gene Wilson	Hazel Cox	Will Lytle	Wade Lytle
Jessie Abrams	Jerry Burger	Mary Vaughan	Betty Lykins	Bob
Cummins				
Kitty & Jack Arwine	Marilyn Whiteman	Clara Mae Hundemer	Bob James	
Darlene Weisbrod (Dorothy Lewis' sister)		Drew (Great Nephew of Marge McCollum)		
Thelma Jeffers (Tim's mother)		Tom Brown (Munch Brown's Father)		
Mollie Dreher (Herb & Sandy Rowan's daughter)		Ken Newman (Tom & Pat Fisher's Son in Law)		
Shirley Smith (Mary Ann Lefker's Mother)		Allyson Clark (Randy & Dana Clark's daughter)		
Mike Proud (Kim Jeffers' and Cassie Lefker's Dad)		Lyda Cravens (Cindy Gregory's Mother)		

**WE JOIN TOGETHER IN PRAYER:**

Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous person avails much.

James 5:16

**NURSING HOMES AND HEALTH CARE CENTERS:**

Verna Burger - Locust Ridge Nursing Home  
Mary Bare – The Arbors of Milford Room #315A  
Eleanor Piffer - Eastgate Spring of Cincinnati Health Care Center  
Lloyd Frodge (Don Frodge's Father) - Locust Ridge Nursing Home  
Wayne Roundy (Carolee Grehan's Father) Otterbein

**RETIREMENT CENTERS:**

Bill McManus – Eastgate Village Room #127  
May Marshall - Eastgate Village Apt # 110  
Geneva Carter (Dave Carter's Mother) - Eastgate Village  
David Hutchens (Susan King's Father) – Mt. Pleasant Retirement Community in Monroe, Oh.

**OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE NOW SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES:**

A1C Patrick Fender patch\_fender@yahoo.com Air Force Guam  
A.M.N. Patrick Fender PSC 251-Box 341 A.P.O. - AP 96542

Capt. David McCollum Army Ft. Leonard Wood, MO  
137 Sawmill Road, St. Robert, MO 65584

Please help us update our list of Service Men & Women now serving in the armed forces.

If you have someone to include on our list –

Please contact Bill Lewis with the following information:

Full name; rank; mailing address with city, state, and zip or APO; email; what branch of service; where currently stationed; and your name as a contact for this person.

Bill's home phone: 724-7285, work phone: 724-7283 and email:

[info@eastforkwelding.com](mailto:info@eastforkwelding.com)

Pray for our service men and women as they leave the military to go back to civilian life.