
TODAY'S SERVANTS AND HELPERS

10:15 a.m.

Greeters: Floyd & Janis Reynolds
Sandy Newsom & Joanne Cornelius

Ushers: Les Harvey & Jerry Mursinna
Pete Cooper & Tayler Cooper

Worship Leader: Guy Bainum

Nursery Helpers:

Junior Church: Children age 4 through 3rd Grade are invited to go upstairs to Room # 201:
No Junior Church Christmas Cantata

The roses on the Communion Table celebrates the births of Ronald Michael Giwer,
Son of Beth & Mike Giwer & Grandson of Ron & Penny Balzhiser and
Kaitlin Marie Pollitt, Daughter of Angie & Jason Pollitt & Great Granddaughter of Evalou
Jones

Poinsettias for worship in memory/honor of are listed on insert



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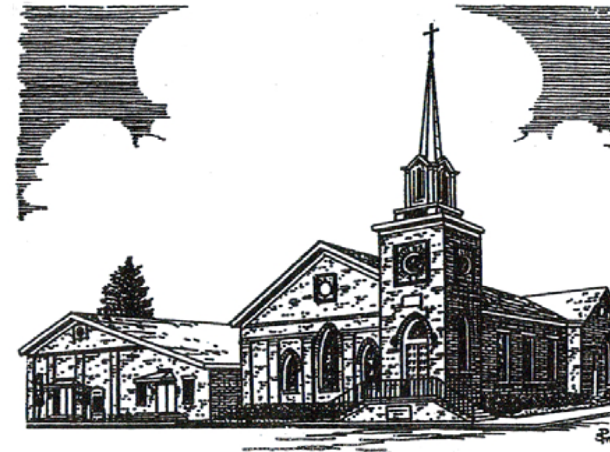
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WILLIAMSBURG EMERGENCY MISSION

Tuesdays, Wednesday, & Fridays, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



*Williamsburg
United
Methodist
Church*

December 21, 2008

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

Welcome friends!

“The Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him.”
Before the service, be still and know that God is God. During the service sing heartily, pray sincerely, listen intently for God’s word. After the service, stay to meet friends, old and new.

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 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.

*** 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.

December 21, 2008

Welcome to Worship

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE PEOPLE GATHER

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS & FELLOWSHIP

(please sign and pass the friendship pads)

PRELUDE –Ukrainian Bell Carol -Handbells

Acolytes

HYMN – Hark! The Herald Angels Sing **UMH 240**

Please stand if you are able

HEARING AND EXPERIENCING THE GOOD NEWS

WE PRAY TOGETHER (in unison)

Lord, it is a time of angels and shepherds and wise men. With everything that is going on, the world has turned to Bethlehem once more. We bring praises and gifts to the one born in a manger. Let us join the angels, and the shepherds, and the wise men as we invite others to come and adore him. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord who taught us a way of praying saying,
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.

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

FWS 2090 Light the Advent Candle: Refrain, Verse 4, Refrain

A READING FROM THE BIBLE **Isaiah 9:2-7**

“The righteous reign of the coming king”

♫ **CALL TO PRAYER** **Move Me** **UMH 471**

THE PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE

..... **THE MINISTRY OF GIVING**

Your regular giving fulfills the mission and ministry of our church by –

- *Providing music and resources for our choirs and musicians;*
- *Supporting the work of missionaries around the world.*

We give our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

The Prayer of Dedication

♫ Offertory “O Little Town of Bethlehem” Weldon Whipple/Redner

Five Men: The Voices of Christmas

Celebration No. 1 in G – Handbells

The Innkeeper (Duane Kemerley)

The Innkeeper’s Carol – Sing-a-long Gang

A Shepherd (Joshua Allton)

Song of the Shepherds – Chancel Choir

Herod, the King (Gary Jordan)

From a Distant Home – Men’s Choir

The Magi (Bill Lewis)

Do Not Be Afraid – Chancel Choir

Joseph (Josh Brown)

A Great and Mighty Wonder! – Chancel Choir

A BLESSING (in unison)

Now may God, who gave us the Christ Child in the stable of Bethlehem, continue to show us mercy in the love and graciousness of Christmas, and may the Christ Child whose glory filled the sky dwell in each of us today. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

♫ **SINGING OUR BENEDICTION** . . **On Eagles’ Wings** **UMH 143**

POSTLUDE “Petite Noel” Simone, based on a traditional French carol

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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.

We light the candle of joy, remembering the joy Jesus brings the world.”

Read: Luke 2:8-14

⁸That night in the fields near Bethlehem some shepherds were guarding their sheep. ⁹All at once an angel came down to them from the Lord, and the brightness of the LORD'S glory flashed around them. The shepherds were frightened. ¹⁰But the angel said, "Don't be afraid! I have good news for you, which will make everyone happy. ¹¹This very day in King David's hometown a Savior was born for you. He is Christ the Lord. ¹²You will know who he is, because you will find him dressed in baby clothes and lying on a bed of hay."

¹³Suddenly many other angels came down from heaven and joined in praising God. They said:

¹⁴"Praise God in heaven! Peace on earth to everyone who pleases God."

Sing: Advent Song - FWS 2090, verse 4 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.

4. Light the Advent Candle four: Think of joy for ever more;
Christ Child in a stable born, gift of love that Christmas morn.

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 joy 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 joy with each other. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

The Voices of Christmas by John Carter is produced by special arrangement with Contemporary Drama Service.

Chancel Choir Members:

Soprano-

Lynne Carter

Peggy Erdman

Betty Goldston

Deb Kemerley

Bev Overstake

Donna Boothby

Nancy Simpson

Sarah Forney

Carolyn Burger

Tenor-

Bill Bainum

Ron Goldston

Bass-

Guy Bainum

Ken Overstake

Ron Balzhiser

Alto-

Kathy Meeker

Nancy Sullivan

Mabel Storer

Handbell Choir

Cindy Gregory

Sondra Bainum

Jill Oetzel

Josh Oetzel

Ron Goldston

Debbie Doyle

Janet Bainum

Nancy Sullivan

Lois Volk

Bill Bainum

Sing-a-long Gang

Taylor Cooper

Emma Chalker

Kara Overstake

Kati Jurgens

Elexis Barber

Wyatt Lefker

Walker Brown

Karlie Overstake

Karis Jurgens

Yasmin Burnett

Organist - Ruth White

Schedule of Activities for the Week of December 21st - December 28th, 2008

TODAY SUNDAY 21st: 4th 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.

WEDNESDAY 24th: CHRISTMAS EVE

- 11:00 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.

THURSDAY 25th: CHRISTMAS DAY

Last day for bulletin information to be turned into the office for this week

SATURDAY 27th: 9:00 a.m. Rising Tides Practice in Worship Center

NEXT SUNDAY 28th: 1st Sunday After Christmas Day

- 9:00 a.m. Worship and Praise
- 10:00 a.m. Classes and Groups
- 11:00 p.m. Worship and Praise
- 6:00 p.m. No Sing-a-long gang in Worship Center
- 7:00 p.m. No Handbell Choir Practice in Fellowship Hall

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

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

(3) 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.

(4) EMERGENCY MISSION: Our need at present is personal hygiene products, paper and laundry products.

(5) MINISTRY UPDATE – December 14, 2008

Christian Education Classes (Children 18 Youth 1, Adult 64) 83 Average YTD 86
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services 76 + 63 139 Average YTD 170
Received last week for the Budget: \$ 4,192.50
Received last week for other purposes: \$ 609.00
Budget Goal Year to Date: 253,215.00
Received for the Budget YTD: \$ 214,286.07
Budget Expenses YTD: \$ 223,435.79

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Community **Otterbein Lebanon Retirement Living**

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

Week of December 21st



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

PRAYER FOCUS:

Dave & Carole Fisher
Tom & Pat Fisher

Robert Fisher
Dan & Judy Flohr: Jared, Jillian

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

CURRENT CONCERNS:

For **Mabel Albasin** – Mercy Hospital Clermont

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER FROM LAST SUNDAY'S PRAYER CARDS:

For **Roger Boothby** submitted by Allen Boothby

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

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER FROM ONLINE SOURCES:

For **Leah Underwood** by Nancy Sullivan

For **Mabel Albasin** submitted by e-mail prayer chain

For **Leatha Zelaya's daughter & son-in-law** submitted by Cindy Gregory

For **Bailee Matraccia** (Carolee Grehan's granddaughter) submitted by Carolee Grehan

For **Crossroads Community Church** submitted by e-mail prayer chain

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)		

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

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

MERRY CHRISTMAS - 2008

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS:

In memory of Gary Bainum, given by Bev Overstake

In honor of my cousin and friend Sue Bainum, given by Bev Overstake

In memory of our parents Margaret & Don Lawrence,
Love, Jayne, Donna & Mike, Diana & Don, Donnie & Pam, Kathy & Don,
Laura & Tom & Families

In honor of Dad, Lloyd Frodge, in memory of Mom, Annabel Frodge, and in memory
of Mary Frodge, Love, Don & Diana Frodge

In memory of Mike Harbottle, Love, Donna & Mike Scott

In memory of Jerome Scott, given by his wife and family

In memory of Kenneth & Juanita Flisher, given by Jim & Kenita Weaver

In memory of Hugh & Sarah Weaver, given by Jim & Kenita Weaver

In honor of our children, Michael Weaver & Nancy & Eddie Hall,
given by Jim & Kenita Weaver

In loving memory of Jack Hall, given by his family

In loving memory of Harley, Jessie & Dan Kidd, given by their family

In loving memory of Betty Wright, given by Dorothy Hall

In loving memory of Dick Bainum, given by Elma & family
In loving memory of Marjorie Taylor, given by Elma & family.

In loving memory of Gary Bainum, given by Elma & family.

In memory of our loved ones, given by Munch, Missi, Walker & T.J.

In honor of Ron & Betty Goldston, given by Munch, Missi, Walker & T.J.

In memory of Victor & Stella Balzhiser,
given by Marylyn, Greg, Bonnie & Cooper & Dennis & Anne Marie

In honor of Hazel Arnold, Thank You!

In honor of George Thoroughman, Thank You!

In honor of our family, given by Gary & Gwen Smith

In honor of Juanita & Govel Thornberry, given by Gary & Gwen Smith

In honor of Ken Berry, given by Herb & Sandy Rowan

In honor of Elma Bainum, given by Herb & Sandy Rowan

In honor of Mabel Weaver, given by Herb & Sandy Rowan

In honor of Mabel Storer, given by Herb & Sandy Rowan

In honor of Al DeBoard & in memory of Marcy, given by Herb & Sandy Rowan

In memory of Mitchell Rowan, given by Mom & Dad

In honor of the Prayer Quilting Ministry, Thank You! Lyda Cravens

In memory of Rev. Don Albasin, given by Mabel

In memory of Sandy Stover, given by Mother Mabel

In honor of Kara Overstake, our God Daughter, given by Munch & Missi

In memory of Tim & Timmy Cornelius, given by Joanne

In memory of Leonard & Leona Kemerley, given by Duane & Deb Kemerley

In honor of Evalou Jones. Thanks for the many "spots of beauty" you always create
throughout our church in all seasons, given by Mabel Storer

In honor of Jill Oetzel, given by Mabel Storer

In honor of Govel & Juanita Thornberry, given by Mabel Storer

In honor of Ruth White, given by Mabel Storer

In memory of Dr. Daniel Storer (1945-2004), given by Mabel Storer

In memory of Jesse Storer, given by Mabel Storer

In honor of Sarah Forney, given by Mabel Storer

In memory of Levi Rice given by Betty

In memory of Courtney Jones, Hiley & Mabel Arwine, Albert & Kathryn Debnar,
Sally Arwine, Jack & Jim Arwine, given by Jack & Kitty Arwine

In honor of Josh, Missi, Walker & T.J., given by Ron & Betty

In memory of Dick Forney, given by Sarah

To my Church Family with love Shirley Johnson

In memory of Paul Jones, given Evalou Jones

In honor of Progress Class, given by Evalou Jones