

Morning Worship

December 20, 2015

Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:00 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Gathering	<i>Christmas Carols</i>	Pianist
Greeting		Rev. Carolyn Nelson
Fellowship Greeting		Congregation
Introit	<i>Gesu Bambino</i>	Roseina Bobbitt
*Hymn 238	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	Congregation
*UMH 231	<i>Christmas Prayer In Unison</i>	Congregation
*Act of Praise	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	Hymnal, 70
Prayer		Rev. Nelson
The Lord's Prayer		
<p>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.</p>		
Offering	<i>Carols Around and Around</i>	Chancel Choir
*Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow</i>	Hymnal, 94
Lighting of the Advent Wreath		Whitfield UMC Children

A Service of Seeking Shelter presented by our Children's Ministries and Rev. Nelson

Preparation	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	Organist
Our Story Begins		
Mary and Joseph Ask to Enter <i>Revelation 3:20</i>		
Hymn 230	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem (Stanzas 1-2)</i>	Congregation
Mary and Joseph Seek Shelter		
Hymn 230	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem (Stanzas 3-4)</i>	Congregation
<i>John 1:10, 12</i>		
Hymn 217	<i>Away In a Manger</i>	Congregation
Mary and Joseph Find Shelter in a Stable <i>Luke 2:1-7</i>		
Love Came Down at Christmas		Duet: Emma Duffee & Gracie Edwards
A Christmas Poem		Christian Webster
Hymn 234	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful (Stanzas 1, 3, 4)</i>	Congregation
<i>All children are invited to join us at the manger during the last verse.</i>		
A Christmas Prayer		Amber Edwards/Rev. Nelson
Response	<i>O Come, Let Us Adore Him</i>	Congregation
<i>Let us raise our voices in praise to The Incarnate God.</i>		
Benediction		Rev. Nelson
*Going Forth	<i>ADESTE FIDELIS</i>	Organist
<p><i>Cast ~ Mary: Gracie Edwards, Joseph: Cameron Webster, Innkeepers: Lakita Harvey, Emma Duffee, Sarah Blackwell, Shepherds: Trent Hazen, Michael Reese, Wes Crossley, Angels: Amber Edwards, Nakita Harvey, Cassidy Reese, Queen Smith, Virginia Henley, Star: Ella Duffee, Readers: Christian Webster, Nathan Blackwell, Kate Blackwell</i></p>		

The poinsettias on the altar for December are offered to the Glory of God in honor and in memory of our friends and loved ones.

*Please stand as you are able

<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer Concerns</p> <p>Whitfield Members</p> <p>Friends of Whitfield</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Please pray for those who are lonely, grieving, or far away from home this Christmas.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>James 5: 13-16</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>“The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.”</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SCHEDULED EVENTS</p> <p>Sunday, December 20</p> <p>Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:30 a.m. Morning Social 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Youth Christmas Party 11:00 a.m. Live Nativity @ Verbena UMC 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Monday, December 21</p> <p>Morning Walking Group (M-F) 7:15 a.m. Walking Group (M-F) 1:00 p.m.</p> <p>Tuesday, December 22</p> <p>Prayer Group 7:15 a.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, December 23</p> <p><i>Suppers & Programs resume January 13, 2016</i></p> <p>Thursday, December 24 ~ Christmas Eve</p> <p>Candlelight Holy Communion 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Friday, December 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Merry Christmas!</i></p> <p>Saturday, December 26</p> <p>No events currently scheduled</p> <p>Sunday, December 27</p> <p>Worship Service 8:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Morning Social 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. UMYF ~ Youth 11:45 a.m.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Worship Assistants</p> <p>Ushers: Steve Duffee, TJ Tepley, Vic Bradsher, Peter Brambir</p> <p>Counters: Steve Duffee, Gene Holsenbeck</p> <p>Van Driver: Ron Capel</p> <p>Sound Operator: Steve Duffee</p> <p>Advent Readers: WUMC Children</p> <p>Readers: See Program</p> <p>The Church Office will be closed:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">December 24 - 25, 2015</p> <p style="text-align: center;">December 31 - January 1, 2016</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>WHITFIELD STAFF MEMBERS</u></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Pastor</p> <p>Reverend Carolyn Nelson cnelson@whitfieldumc.org</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Music Director</p> <p>Angie Mitchell amitchell@whitfieldumc.org</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">Nursery Director</p> <p>Daisy Stelk</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nursery Co-Director</p> <p>Mary Stone</p>