

Morning Worship

December 25, 2016

Christmas Day

10:00 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Gathering *Adeste Fidelis* **Organist**

Greeting **Rev. Carolyn Nelson**

Fellowship Greeting **Congregation**

Introit (10:30) *Gesu Bambino* **Roseina Bobbitt, Soprano**

***Hymn 234** *O Come, All Ye Faithful (vs. 1-4,6)* **Congregation**

***Opening Prayer** *Christmas* **Hymnal, 231**
In Unison

***Act of Praise** *Glory Be to the Father* **Hymnal, 70**

Prayer **Rev. Nelson**

The Lord's Prayer **Congregation**

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.

Offering *Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow* **Lewis Mashburn, Choir**

***Doxology** *Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow* **Hymnal, 94**

Advent Wreath Lighting **Jan & Earl Heath**

PROCLAMATION and RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination **Lay Reader**

The Psalter *Psalm 98:4-9* **Hymnal, 818**

Reader: The Word of God for the People of God
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Hymn 220 *Angels from the Realms of Glory* **Congregation**

Children's Sermon **Patty Macready**

Scripture *John 1:1-5, 9-14; Luke 2:1-20* **Rev. Nelson**

Sermon *The Joy of Christmas* **Rev. Nelson**

***Response** *The Apostles' Creed* **Hymnal, 881**

SENDING FORTH

****Hymn 246** *Joy to the World* **Congregation**

***Benediction** **Rev. Nelson**

Choral Response *Rejoice!* **Choir**

Going Forth *And the Glory of the Lord* **Organist**
from Messiah

The flowers on the altar today are offered to the glory of God
and in honor of Jan & Earl Heath's 61st wedding anniversary.

*Please stand as you are able

**You are invited to Christian discipleship during this hymn. You may come forward to join the church by confession of faith, transfer of membership or restoration of membership. You may make a public recommitment of your life to Christ or spend time in prayer at the rail.

<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer Concerns</p> <p>Whitfield Members Helen Maples, Bob Haack, Jay Byrd</p> <p>Friends of Whitfield Bailey Casteel, Family of David Christenberry</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For our full prayer list, please see our weekly newsletter. Request a free subscription at 281-2467. or whitumc@bellsouth.net God bless you and yours today.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SCHEDULED EVENTS</p> <p>Sunday, December 25 Merry Christmas!!! Worship Service 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Monday, December 26 - Office Closed Walking Group (M-F) 7:15 a.m.</p> <p>Tuesday, December 27 Prayer Group 7:15 a.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, December 28 Prayer Group 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>Thursday, December 29 No Events Currently Planned</p> <p>Friday, December 30 - Office Closed No Events Currently Planned</p> <p>Saturday, December 31 No Events Currently Planned</p> <p>Sunday, January 1 - Happy New Year! Fellowship Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Covenant Renewal Service 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Monday, January 2 —Office Closed No Events Currently Planned</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">Worship Assistants</p> <p>Ushers: (10:00) Youth</p> <p>Counters: Martha Pippin, Ida McCain</p> <p>Van Driver: Pam Merritt</p> <p>Sound Board: Jeannie Anderson</p> <p>Readers: (10:00) Jeannie Anderson</p> <p>Children's Church: Christmas Day</p>			
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