

First Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Bethel United Methodist Church.

We're glad you are here! If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join us as we love and serve from this blessed place in God's Kingdom.

Prelude

Greeting and Celebration of the Church's Ministries

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Bruce Pleasant

* *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (Verse 1)

Hymnal, # 211

Opening Prayer

*Greet One Another with the Peace of Christ

*Hymn

Hymnal, # 211

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Verses 2, 3 & 4)

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Whispered Prayer and Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn

Hymnal, # 715

Rejoice, the Lord Is King (Verses 1, 2 & 4)

Offering of God's Tithes and our Gifts

**Doxology* and Dedication of the Offering

Hymnal, # 95

Musical Meditation

Rev. Way

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee

(Hymnal, # 623)

Prayer for Illumination:

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 21:25-36

Moments with our Youth

Message

"Paying Attention"

Rev. Way

***The Apostles' Creed**

Hymnal, Page # 7

Invitation, Confession and Pardon

Holy Communion **

Hymnal, Page # 15

*Hymn

Hymnal, # 218

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (Verses 1 & 4)

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand, as you are able.

**Our anointed altar is always open to those who come at God's call and invitation.

Pastor: Bob Way

Lay Leader & Treasurer: Bruce Pleasant

Pianist: Frances Marston

Prayer List

Shut-In Members and Special Needs

(Names may be removed after three months, unless requested to be kept on list.)

James (Snake) Ashby	12	Keith Kirby	12	Bill Richburg	12
Tyffanie Berdine	12	Josh Lawson	12	Ashley Richmond	10
<i>Our Bishop</i>		A. C. Long	12	Jerry Richmond Family	11
Beatrice Briggs	12	Kathy Mason	12	Paul Richmond	12
Naomi Catlett	12	Ken (Mac) McIntyre	12	Janice Roland	12
<i>Persecuted Christians</i>		<i>Military Members & Families</i>		Karl Roland	12
Craig Church	10	<i>Missionaries & Families</i>		Lois & Franklin Rudd	10
David Cobb Family	11	Doris Nance	12	<i>Schools, Students & Teachers</i>	
<i>Our Church & Charge</i>		<i>Our Nation</i>		Dixie Vernon	12
<i>Disaster Survivors & Teams</i>		Howard Oakley	12	Edward Vernon	12
<i>Our District Superintendent</i>		<i>Elected/Appointed Officials</i>		Daryl Webster	10
<i>First Responders</i>		John Ooley	11	Daniel Whited	10
Justin Frizzle	11	Cheryl Owen	12	John Whited, Jr.	10
Marvin Hamlett	12	James Painter	12	Clyde Willis	10
Pete Hamlett	12	Jay Pleasant	12		
Tristan Jett	12	Janet Ratcliff	12		

Next Week's Scriptures: Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79;
Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

Announcements:

District Christmas Offering: Sun, Dec 9
United Methodist Women (UMW) Christmas Dinner: 4:30 pm Sun,
Dec 9, at *Carver's on Elm* Restaurant in Graham
Christmas Cantata during Charge Worship Service (at Union UMC):
11:00 am Sun, Dec 16 (No 9:00 am worship service at Bethel)
Soup & Sandwich Lunch (at Union UMC): 12:15 pm Sun, Dec 16
Christmas Eve Communion (Drop-In, at Union UMC): 4:00–7:00 pm
Mon, Dec 24
Church Council: 7:00 pm Tue, Jan 8
Bible Study (at Union UMC): 7:00 pm Thu, Jan 10
Hurricane Sandy relief donations through UMCOR: write a check to
Bethel UMC with 2012 Hurricanes on the "Memo" line



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