

First United Methodist Church
Waycross, Georgia *November 28, 2010*



First United Methodist
December Holiday Happenings

- November 28th**—First Sunday in Advent at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. services;
Hanging of the Greens & Family Pancake Supper starting at 5:00 p.m.
- 1st**—Children's Choir Practice at 5:30 p.m.; Chapel at 6:00 p.m.; Family
Night Supper at 6:30 p.m.; Chancel Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.
- 3rd**—Family Movie Night in the Fellowship Hall from 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Everyone is invited... Santa will make a visit :)
- 5th**—Second Sunday in Advent at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. services
- 7th**—Booth Class Christmas Party at 5:30 p.m. at Hildegard Amspacher's,
2606 Bunny Lane
- 8th**—Special speaker at the Wednesday Chapel Service at 6:00 p.m. with
Derek McAleer of Macon Methodist Home for Children and Youth;
Family Night Supper at 6:30 p.m.; Chancel Choir Rehearsal at
7:00 p.m.
- 9th**—Sid Ruff Christmas Party
- 10th**—Parents Night Out, 6:00-9:00 p.m., \$6 per child, Call Ivy at 283-2077
to make reservations.
- 12th**—Third Sunday in Advent at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. services; Poinsettias
placed in Sanctuary; Christmas Music program at 6:30 p.m. with
Fellowship reception following in the Library/Courtyard Area
- 13th**—Adult Sunday School Class Christmas Party
- 14th**—UMW Luncheon at Noon, \$10 per person with special guest speaker
Martha Donaldson
- 15th**—Children's Musical at 6:00 p.m.; Family Night Supper at 6:30 p.m.;
Chancel Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.
- 16th**—Finance Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m. in the Adult Bible Classroom
- 19th**—Fourth Sunday in Advent at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. services; Poinsettias
placed in Sanctuary
- 20th**—Children's Christmas Day Camp from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
- 21st**—No Adult Handbell practice
- 22nd**—No Activities, No Church Services
- 23rd**—Christmas Holidays begins—Church Office closes at Noon
- 24th**—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- 25th**—...*Merry Christmas...*
- 26th**—Combined Worship Service at 10:30 a.m....No Sunday School
- 28th**—Children's Christmas Day Camp from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.;
No Adult Handbell practice
- 29th**—No Activities, No Church Services
- 31st**—Church Office closes at Noon for New Years Eve



Weekly Calendar of Events

(Pastor's Schedule This Week)

MONDAY 11/29/10

9:00 a—12N Office hours
10:00 a Staff meeting
12:00 N Men's Prayer Luncheon

TUESDAY 11/30/10

9:00 a-12 N Office Hours
1:00 p-5:00 p Sermon Preparation
1:00 p Visitation

WEDNESDAY 12/01/10

9:00 a-1:00 p Office hours
5:00 p Bible Study
6:00 p Chapel
6:30 p Church Night Supper

THURSDAY 12/02/10

9:00 a Office hours
1:00 p Visitation

FRIDAY 12/03/10

Pastor' Day Off

SUNDAY 11/28/10

9:00 a Early Service
9:45 a Sunday School
11:00 a Morning Worship
(Nursery provided)
5:00 p Hanging of the Greens
6:00 p Pancake Supper

MONDAY 11/29/10

10:00 a Staff meeting
12:00 N Men's Prayer Luncheon
6:00 p Cub Scouts
7:00 p Boy Scouts meet @ Scout Center

TUESDAY 11/30/10

6:00 p Girl Scouts
4:30 p Adult Handbells

WEDNESDAY 12/01/10

9:30 a Every Day With Love
5:00 p Adult Bible Study
5:30 p Children's Choir
6:00 p Chapel Service
6:30 p Church Night Supper
(Be Sure To Sign Up)
7:00 p Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY 12/03/10

7:00 p Family Movie Night with a
"Surprise Guest!"

Rev. Davis to Preach.....

Associate Pastor, Rev. Michael Davis, will deliver our morning message on this first Sunday of Advent. The service will be taped for submission to the Board of Ordained Ministry in partial fulfillment of the requirements for Provisional Membership in the South Georgia Annual Conference. We are very proud of Michael and his accomplishments in ministry among us, and look forward to his message.

This Sunday's Volunteers:

Ushers: (Team #3): Deen Stewart, Capt.; William Clark, Clay Gibson, John Storey, Jake Varn.

Greeters: Mark & Lee Hatfield

Altar Flowers for November: Altar Guild

Place your poinsettia order...

The cost is \$13.00 per plant. Your order must be in the Church office with the information slip below and your payment—*no cash, please pay by check or money order* — ***by Monday, December 6th at Noon.*** As with all special flower orders, no late orders can be taken.

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Given By _____

No. of plants ordered _____

Check No. _____ *Or* *Money Order No.* _____

*You will be able to pick your poinsettias up **following** the Christmas Eve service on December 24th.*

*With thankful hearts
The Hospice Satilla
Board of Directors
and Staff
invite you to celebrate with us
Open House
and the
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
for
Hospice House of Hospice Satilla
Thursday, December 2, 2010
five o'clock in the afternoon
811 Beacon Street
Waycross, Georgia*

*Traditional lighting of the tree
will follow at 6:00 p.m.*

*Please join the FUMC Administrative Council
for a "Stay-at-Home Christmas Banquet"
to benefit the residents of
The Methodist Home for Children & Youth.
Your check for \$20, or an amount of your choice,
will bring Christmas joy to children and youth.
R.S.V.P. by December 8th with your check made
payable to First United Methodist Church,
and marked "Methodist Children's Home."*

Tax deductible

<http://www.themethodisthome.org/index.htm>

From The Altar Guild...

"Thank you!" to the wonderful volunteers who helped in the decorating of our church on Sunday afternoon...

Also...If you have seen a large, square woven basket with ornamental grasses in it, please return it to the Sacristy. The Altar Guild needs it to finish decorating the Church.

"Carols and Candlelight"

The Chancel Choir and the Chancel Bell Ringers will lead us in worship through music on Sunday Evening, December 12, 2010 at 6:30pm. Traditional carols of the season will be featured. Following the service, a time of fellowship and refreshment will be held in the Library area so that we may enjoy the newly lighted court yard. Make plans now to join us for this special service! Since the hour is beyond sunset, if you would like for the church bus to transport you, please call the church office now!!





“HANGING OF THE GREEN(S)”

At 5:00pm this Sunday, we will continue the tradition of “hanging the green(s)” as we decorate Sunday School rooms and other areas of the church for Advent. At 6:00 pm we will gather in the fellowship hall and enjoy a traditional pancake supper! Join us as we “deck the halls” and “enjoy a sufficiency of pancakes!”

Family Movie Night—Join in the holiday festivities with your FOMC family on Friday, December 3rd from 7:00-9:00 p.m. We will enjoy cookies and hot cocoa as we gather in the Fellowship Hall for a holiday movie. Rumor has it, a Jolly Old Man from the North Pole may stop by! So bring your cameras just in case...We hope to see you there!!



Pastor’s Bible Study this week...



Join us!

*Wednesday,
December 1st at 5:00 p.m.
in the Adult Bible Classroom*

United Methodist Women Circle 1 Christmas Plans Announced

Circle One has invited Martha Donaldson, a professional story teller who has developed several presentations about events that happened at the birth of Jesus. This program will be presented in the social hall of First Methodist Church on December 14th. The luncheon will be served at noon featuring the menu from the former Christmas Bazaar held in the social hall. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Martha does not charge for her program but does ask for donations to be given for a children’s charity. We have chosen Methodist Children’s Home to receive these monies. **Make your checks payable to UMW.** Reservations should be made by December 7th . Tell your friends, male or female, about this wonderful program. All are invited. Remember, reservations must be in by the 7th. Thank you in advance for supporting this Christian program.

Sign Up For Church Night Supper

Name _____

Permanent _____ Weekly _____

How Many Adults _____ and/or Children (10 & below) _____

Costs: \$6.00 for those 10 & above; \$2.00 for 3-9 yrs; Below 3 yrs eat free
Reservations must be made by Noon on Tuesdays. Reservations not cancelled before Tuesday at Noon, are asked to be paid. All take-out plates are \$6.00.

*November 28, 2010 - First Sunday in Advent
Morning Worship Service for 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.*

Welcome and Events in the Life of the Church Rev. Bob Norwood

Prelude "Coventry Carol" traditional English melody

Advent Wreath—Candle of Hope Acolytes

Choral Response- "Light One Candle" Choir and Congregation

Light one candle, Christ is coming,
Christ, the hope of the world!
Light one candle, Christ is coming,
Christ is coming soon!

***Hymn No. 196** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" HYFRYDOL

The Apostles' Creed (in unison) Rev. Michael Davis

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, Our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and
the life everlasting. Amen.*

***Gloria Patria No. 71** GREATOREX

*Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.*

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Norwood

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*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.*

***Greeting** Rev. Norwood

*Jesus loves me! This I know for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong ; they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! For the Bible tells me so.*

Children's Sermon Ivy Kratzer
(Children Kindergarten age and below may leave for Children's Church)

***Hymn No. 211** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" VENI EMMANUEL

Offertory Prayer

Offertory "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" STUGGART

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Ushers

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise
Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Anthem	<i>"There Is Faint Music in the Night"</i>	Forrest
	<p>There is faint music in the night, And pale wings fanned by silver flight; A frosty hill with tender glow Of countless stars that shine on snow.</p> <p>A shelter from the winter storm, A straw-lined manger, safe and warm, And Mary singing lullabies, To hush her Baby's sleepy sighs.</p> <p>Her eyes are fixed upon His face, Unheeded here is time and space; Her heart is filled with blinding joy, For God's own Son, her baby Boy!</p> <p>There is faint music in the night, And pale wings fanned by silver flight; A frosty hill with tender glow Of countless stars that shine on snow, For God's own Son, a baby Boy.</p>	
Scripture	Matthew 24:36-44 (N.T. pg. 25)	Rev. Norwood
Laity Prayer		
Sermon	"A Time Of Watchfulness"	Rev. Davis
Hymn No. 230	"O Little Town of Bethlehem"	ST. LOUIS
Benediction		
Benediction Response	<i>"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"</i> Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel. God with us, revealed in us, His name is called Emmanuel.	McGee
Postlude	<i>"Regent Square"</i>	Smart
*Please Stand	<i>Our 11:00 a.m. service may be viewed on channel 98</i>	

Advent Wreath—Candle of Hope

The beautiful Advent Wreath gracing our Sanctuary will serve as our Call to Worship as we focus on the various candles each Sunday. Today we light the first candle, the Candle of Hope. Ponder the fact that all hope is in God, and His Son, Jesus Christ.

