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ORDER OF THE SERVICE

DECEMBER 19, 2004

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVEMT COLOR: VIOLET

Our purpose is to glorify God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, by sharing Jesus, as Savior and Lord and helping people trust Him through WORSHIP, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, OUTREACH, FELLOWSHIP, and SERVICE TO OTHERS.

WE GATHER IN JESUS NAME

PRELUDE, LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

"WE ENTER INTO GOD'S GATES WITH THANKSGIVING AND INTO HIS COURTS WITH PRAISE"

from Psalms 100

WE SHARE COMMON CONCERNS

WELCOME, RECOGNIZING FIRST TIME VISTORS *ANNOUNCEMENTS – SEE BULLETIN INSERTS

*RITUAL OF REGISTRATION -

Please sign the attendance register and pass it to other people in the pew with you.

PRAYER/PRAISE REQUESTS

(Write on pew card AND place in offering plate to be added to insert next week)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING for Election of Elders

WE PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER BEFORE WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP OF GOD (PLEASE BOW YOUR HEADS)

"WE OFFER PRAISE TO GOD"

CHORAL OPENING (10:15)

"Emmanuel"

CALL TO WORSHIP

(We are here to give glory and honor and praise to God our heavenly Father and Jesus our Savior through song, prayer, giving, speaking, hearing and responding.)

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the heights!

People: Praise Him, all His angels, Praise Him, all His hosts!

Leader: Praise Him His sun and moon, praise Him all vou shining stars!

People: Praise Him you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

All: Let us praise the name of the Lord!

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Joy to the World!" (All Verses) No. 120

*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER UNISON

"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

(vs. 1 & 2)

HYMN No. 128

WE EXPRESS OUR FAITH IN GOD

STATEMENT OF FAITH--IN UNISON "The Apostles' Creed" No. 716 GLORIA PATRI No. 622 MEDLEY of CAROLS No. 147 "Silent Night! Holy Night!" (All verses) "I Wonder as I Wander" (verse 1 & 2) N0. 139 "O Come. All Ye Faithful" (verse 1 & 2) No. 145

SPECIAL MUSIC (10:15)

CHILDREN'S TIME at the Advent Wreath (10:15)

Andrea Barnes

(Children may leave for Children's Church)

WE EXPRESS THANKS TO GOD

2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV OFFERTORY SENTENCE

> "You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."

OFFFRTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY (No. 625) and PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 1: 26-38 & 2: 3-20 NIV SERMON "Encountering Jesus, the Christ" Larry Guin, Pastor

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORDS

*HYMN No. 138 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

WE GO FORTH SERVING GOD

*BENEDICTION – (Blessing) "Child of Love" *CHORUS (10:15) No.156

*PASSING THE BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

*PLEASE STAND WHERE THIS MARK APPEARS

**EVERYONE PLEASE REGISTER. PLEASE PASS PAD TO LATE COMERS AND ASK THEM TO REGISTER. PLEASE MAKE SURE ANY NEWCOMERS SIGN THE LIST.

WELCOME ** A very SPECIAL WELCOME is extended to each of you who are visiting with us today. We appreciate you being here. We trust this will be a meaningful experience for you. Do come again.

10:15 am – We have childcare available for Infants to age 2 and Toddlers 2 to 4.

We also have Children's Church for 5th grade and younger. (Children remain in sanctuary through the children's message.) Children stay in regular worship on Sundays when we do not have Children's Church, such as when we celebrate communion or on days we have special programs.

INFANT / TODDLER NURSERY: Mandy England

LAST SUNDAY ATTENDANCE: Worship: 8am - 62 + 17 Choir; 10:15 - 85 + 19 Choir

Sunday School - 112

DUTY ELDER FOR THIS WEEK: December 19 – 25 ** Diane Riggs

DUTY ELDER FOR NEXT WEEK: December 26 – January 1 ** Diane Riggs

THIS WEEK DECEMBER 19, 2004

TODAY 8:00 & 10:15 Worship Services

9:00 am Sunday School

MONDAY 7:00 pm Aerobics

TUESDAY 6:00 am Men at Prayer

No Mother's Day Out

7:00 pm Young Adults

WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY
No Mother's Day Out till January 4, 05
FRIDAY
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Bible Study to resume January 5, 2005
No Mother's Day Out till January 4, 05
5-7:30 pm Christmas Eve Communion

SATURDAY MERRY CHRISTMAS

NEXT SUNDAY 8:00 & 10:15 am Worship Services – 1st Sunday after Christmas

9:00 am Sunday School

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAY TO: Daniel (Baker) Perry and John Waggoner on the 19th; Jacob Baker and Drew Robertson on the 22nd; Kim Hardison and Dan Noel on the 23rd; Brad Bondanza on the 25th

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TO: Don and Sheila Geary on the 21st

Events for Jenkins C. P. Youth

No Youth December 19 & 26 due to Christmas Holiday.

Regular scheduled Jr. and Sr. youth meeting will resume in January, 2005.

Mark your Calendar – Jr. High trip to Laguna Beach, Florida ** April 14 – 17, 2005.

SPECIAL THANKS to Mary Beth Roland, Louise Russell, and Ruth Bowers for their time and expertise in "beautifying" our church for this Christmas Season.

OUR "THANKS" AND APPRECIATION to our dedicated Choir and Julie Birdsong, our Music Director, for the wonderful Cantata presentation "Emmanuel, Celebrating Heaven's Child". We not only appreciate them at Christmas but the whole year through.

"THANKS" TO ALL who participated in the production, practice and presentation of "Putting Christ Back in Christmas" (written by our own Jessica Tucker) and "Three Wise Men and a Baby". We are so blessed to have so many talented children and youth. Also to their parents for their support, those who brought cookies, and to the wonderful audience who came to watch

Luke 1:26-38 ²⁶In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, ²⁷to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸The angel went to her and said, Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."

²⁹Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. ³⁰But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. ³¹You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."

34"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"

³⁵The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. ³⁶Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be barren is in her sixth month. ³⁷For nothing is impossible with God."

³⁸"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said." Then the angel left her.

Luke 2:3-20 ³And everyone went to his own town to register. ⁴So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

⁸And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

¹³Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."

¹⁵When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." ¹⁶So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰The

shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

READER: THE WORD OF GOD – FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD PEOPLE: PRAISE BE TO GOD

List names on cards in pews and place in the offering plate. In order to keep our Prayer List current, we will leave names on for four weeks at a time. If a name has been removed and you wish to add them back on, please feel free to contact the office and/or list names(s) on cards in pews and place in offering plate.

11/14 "Christian" (child from Carver Hardisons preschool) Sallye & George Bohanan (parents of Phyllis Mattox) Residents of Meadowlark Sub. In Brentwood Knoop Family (Rlippy's) Adam Lanning (Brother of Lisa Rippy) Amy Stevens Nathan Quinn Elizabeth Harris Fran Leeper 11/21 Kay Henderson Gloria Shepherd Family of Hazel Dancer (mother of Tommy Jobe)

11/22

Family of Ima Thompson Family of Jesse Harris 11/28 Joyce Thomas Family of Terri Day's Dad **Unnamed Prayer Requests** 12/05 Mr. Byrd (Dad of coworker of Susan Dornan) Family of Ruth Loader (Mother of Teresa Bell) Joe Reid Chip Duncan Bill Tucker (father of Randy Tucker) Lori (Robertson) Ed & Marie Fugua (Ed Fugua's Parents) Bill Crook

(Brother-in- law of Carole Guin) Ella Raines (Grandmother of Pam Baker) Mandy England Keith, Zannie & new baby Kaitlen Martin 12/12 Josh, Tiffany & new baby Benjamin Larry James (friend of Mike Bryan) Family of Mary Hurt Harrell (friends of Mike Bryan) Val Kirbv (friend of Amy Bowers-Bryan) Jovce Barnes (Mother of Larry Barnes) Those Traveling

Remember those who are homebound or in Nursing Homes Remember in prayer Our Nation, Our Leaders, and Our Loved Ones

During this holiday season, please remember all those serving our country and their families. (Especially pray for those who are away from home for their first time.) We appreciate the sacrifices made by so many and pray for the safe return of all our men and women.

CHURCH ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree was started in 1994 to remember and honor our church family members who have gone on before us. An angel is placed on the tree with the name of each deceased church member or special church friends.

Tess Bendick Vicky Head Mary McArthur Howard "Rip" Norris Amelia Windrow Edna Hughes Gordon McCandlish John Post Adam Strasser Hanna Strasser James Finley Ruby Finley George Parrish Ruby Marable Dot Pope Bill McCord Jim Pope

Margaret Post Virgil Weeks Mike Sinks Alice T. Smith Ray Weiland Marie Fetter Linda Marable

Howard (Jesse) Harris

Jerry Patton

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - DATES TO NOTE

Christmas Eve Communion December 24th from 5:00 - 7:30 pm

Come as families, individuals or groups. Come to the sanctuary for a time of reflection, meditation and prayer. When your group is ready, assemble around the Communion Table for Scripture, comments, partaking of the Sacraments representing Christ's body and blood, and for prayer. Return to the pew or depart. (This is not a Cumberland Presbyterian table, but the Lord's Table and the invitation to communion is extended to all believers.)

GIFT TO THE KING – This year we will be collecting a "Gift to the Kin`g" Offering at the Christmas Eve Communion and again on Sunday, the 26th at both worship services. These funds will be designated for the C. P. Children's Home in Denton, Texas.

Newsletter articles for January, 2005 will be due by Sunday, December 26th. ☺

The Ordination and Installation Service of our newly elected Elders is scheduled for **January 9, 2005** at the 10:15am morning worship service.

First Planning Session Meeting for 2005 ** January 9 We will have supper at 4:00pm and planning meeting following.

We have a tentative date of Saturday, January 22 and Sunday, January 23 for a Weekend Revival with Reverend George Estes as Preacher.

Committees for 2005

Prayerfully consider where YOU can help in the coming New Year. This is your opportunity to express your interest in serving on one of the church Ministry teams for 2005. Below you will find the eleven committees. The "team leaders" will soon be in the process of securing the team memberships. Beat the rush; indicate your committee choice, sign your name AND place in offering plate.

The eleven committees are:

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Building & Grounds Finance
Christian Education Worship
Evangelism & Missionary Education

Kitchen Nursery Sunshine Recreation & Fellowship

Outreach Mother's Day

POINSETTIA DEDICATIONS

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	Nemory of Trey Zeltner Nemory of Ruth Loader	By LD & Theresa Bell By LD & Theresa Bell
In M	Nemory of A. Allemore & Al & Margaret Arnsperger	By Steve & Joyce Allemore
In N	Memory of Rev. Jerry L. Patton Memory of William E. Barnes, Sr. Memory of Willie Bell Turnage	By Larry & Andrea Barnes By Larry & Andrea Barnes By Larry & Andrea Barnes
	Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Adam Strasser Memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Bowers	By the Jerry Bowers Family By the Jerry Bowers Family
In M	Memory of Linda Marable	By Mike & Mary Jo Bryan
	Memory of Pharye Freeman Honor of Doris Nanney	By Dawn Freeman By Dawn Freeman
	Memory of Jim Wilson (dad) Memory of Kellie Wilson (sister)	By Kim Glasscock & Cindy Noel By Kim Glasscock & Cindy Noel
	Nemory of John & Edna Hughes Nemory of Sara Roland	By Mary Beth Roland By Mary Beth Roland
In M	Memory of Margaret Post	By Gene & Dot Samples
In M	Memory of Mary Elizabeth Sullivan	By Jacqueline, & Jackson Sullivan
	Memory of Our Parents Memory of Our Parents	By Jack & Bobbye Vaughan By Jack & Bobbye Vaughan
In H	lonor of My Children Brian Winnett Brendon Winnett	By Gail Winnett By Gail Winnett
	Memory of Our Loved Ones	By Brad & Donna Bondanza
	Our Children & Grandchildren	By Brad & Donna Bondanza

In Memory of Sharon Elizabeth Miller

By Mike & Angie Miller

In Honor of the Military

By Mike & Angie Miller

In Memory of Jacob David Light (2-21 to 12-08-03)

By Jimmy & Vivian Reid

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POINSETTIA DEDICATIONS (continued)

In memory of Giles Thomas
In memory of James Davis
In Honor of Geraldine Thomas
In Honor of DeDee Davis

By Joyce & Charlie Thomas

In Memory of John & Margaret Post In Honor of Russ & Andrew Dornan

By Steve & Susan Dornan By Steve & Susan Dornan

(The poinsettias may be taken home with you today after the morning worship service, or leave it until after the Christmas Eve evening communion services.)

THANKS FOR THE POINSETTIAS ** Thank-you for helping to make our place of worship a beautiful place during the Advent season.

(From Woodbine Witness newsletter by Rev. Jeff Stovall)

I ran across this In Charles Swindoll's book "A Christmas List".

"Our lovely land of plenty drifts dangerously near insanity three or four weeks every year...consider these statistics: Americans spend 8.5 billion dollars during Christmas...Along with all this, emotions, unpredictable and undisciplined, begin to run wild. Nostalgia mixed with eleven months of guilt can prompt illogical and extravagant purchases. Neighborhood pressure can cause perfectly normal people to mount extravagant displays...Television advertising, Christmas bank accounts, and special "wish books" only increase the pull of the magnet that inevitably ends with the sound of cash registers or the or the hollow snap of the credit card. While we think we may be immune to all this, we Christians need to be especially alert to the dangers and think through a strategy that allows us to combat each one."

He mentions four types of danger that we combat during Christmas. The first is Doctrinal danger. We too often forget exactly what we are celebrating. It is our savior's arrival and not Santa's. The second is Personal danger. We forget who we are. We are ambassadors of Christ Jesus and are to be sharing the massage through our words and actions. The third danger is Economical danger. We spend more than we have. We are to be good stewards. Spending more than we have helps no one. The fourth danger is Psychological danger. We get so excited that we set ourselves up for a big let down. We have to keep it together and don't let all the events of the holidays bring us down.

He sums it up with these words, "Guard yourself. Keep a firm hand on the controls. Don't be deceived. Enjoy the 25^{th} ...but not at the expense of the 26^{th} ".

Blessings to you and your family.