

JENKINS CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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MELANIE STAUDT, PIANIST

SVETA IATSKAYA, ORGANIST

ORDER OF THE SERVICE

DECEMBER 17, 2006

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

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.

GATHERING IN JESUS NAME

PRELUDE

"O Come All Ye Faithful" (DVD)

SHARING COMMON CONCERNS

WELCOME & GREETING EACH OTHER

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

WE PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

A Prayer the people may pray: O Jesus, our great high priest, be present with us as you were present with your disciples, and make yourself known to us in this hour. Amen

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES – Welcoming Jesus, the light of the world.

OFFERING PRAISE TO GOD

OPENING (10:15)

"A Nativity Prayer"

CALL TO WORSHIP -

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice.

People: Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.

*HYMN

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

No. 138

* PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

UNISON

EXPRESSING OUR FAITH IN GOD

*STATEMENT OF FAITH--IN UNISON "The Apostles' Creed"

No. 716

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 622

CONFESSING OUR SIN

Call to Confession- He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy. From Proverbs 28:13

Prayer of Confession: (in unison) God of the future, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world. (continue in silent confessing) Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness "Come now, let us reason together," says the LORD.

"Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." From Isaiah 1:18

ADVENT HYMN

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

No. 133

EXPRESSING THANKS TO GOD

SPECIAL MUSIC – 8:00 am

"I Miss My Time With You"

solo Peggy Donegan

10:15 am "Christmas Medley & How Far is it to Bethlehem"

Choir

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE – (see insert)

ADVENT CANDLE (8:00)

Peggy & Kirk Donegan

CHILDREN'S TIME (10:15)

"At the Advent Candle"

Andrea Barnes

MEDLEY OF CAROLS

People's Choice – see Hymnal No. 122 - 162

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Colossians 3:2 NIV

"Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things."

OFFERTORY MUSIC

"Maranatha – Come, Lord!"

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

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 3:7-18 NIV

SERMON

"People of Expectation"

Larry Guin, Pastor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORDS

*COMMITMENT

& INVITATION HYMN

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

No. 124

WE GO FORTH SERVING GOD

*BENEDICTION – (Blessing)

*CHORUS (10:15)

"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

(refrain) No. 127

PASSING THE BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

"The King of Glory"

***PLEASE STAND WHERE THIS MARK APPEARS IF ABLE**

<> We have childcare available for Infants to age 2 and Toddlers 2 to 4 during both services. <>
We have Children's Church for age 5 through 5th grades. (Children remain in sanctuary through the children's message.) Children stay in regular worship on Sundays when we celebrate communion or on days we have special programs.

INFANT / TODDLER NURSERY: Nancy Suddarth - Mandy England
LAST SUNDAY ATTENDANCE: Worship: 8:00 am –60; 10:15 am – 99; Sunday School – 88
DUTY ELDER FOR THIS WEEK: December 17 – 23 * Charles Strasser
DUTY ELDER FOR NEXT WEEK: December 24 – 30 * Sherry Windrow

WEEK OF DECEMBER 17, 2006

TODAY 8:00 & 10:15 am Worship Services – 3rd Sunday in Advent
9:00 am Sunday School
3:00 pm “A Child This Day” Cantata Presentation
7:00 pm “A Child This Day” Cantata Presentation
Youth Christmas Party

MONDAY 10:00 am Bible Study w/Gloria Jobe
7:00 pm Aerobics

TUESDAY 6:00 am Men at Prayer
9:00 am-2 pm Mother’s Day Out
December 22 thru January 5th School Break

NEXT SUNDAY 8:00 & 10:15 am - Worship Services
9:00 am Sunday school
5:00 – 7:30 pm Christmas Eve Communion

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAY TO: Pam Cammuse on the 17th; Josh Clemons and Wyatt Geary on the 18th; Daniel (Baker) Perry & John Waggoner on the 19th; Jacob Baker and Drew Robertson on the 22nd; Kim Hardison on the 23rd
HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TO: Don and Sheila Geary on the 21st



Events for Jenkins C. P. Youth

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Sun. December 17 Youth Christmas Party
December 24 & December 31 No Youth Meeting
Thursday, December 27 to Saturday, December 30, 2006 Winter Mission and Ski Trip / Outreach to Appalachia Outreach and Skiing at Sugar Mountain, NC



DON'T FORGET to check your family folder in the hall outside the Church Office. It's that time of year when you're likely to find Christmas greetings from friends at Jenkins!

LOVE LOAF TOTAL - \$531.68 to date. Thanks to all of you for participating in this program. Remember one-half goes to “street children in the Republic of Georgia”, one-fourth to the C.P. Hunger Fund, and one-fourth retained by our congregation to meet community hunger needs. As you celebrate the season, pray for those receiving the benefits of these gifts.

BAZAAR TOTAL – Income from Bazaar \$4,870.49 less expenses \$986.85 for a profit of \$3,883.64. Praise God for the workers & the fellowship provided by this annual event.

*A very Special Welcome is extended to each of you visiting with us today.
Do come again.*

Luke 3:7-18 NIV

7John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? 8Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. 9The axe is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."
10"What should we do then?" the crowd asked.
11John answered, "The man with two tunics should share with him who has none, and the one who has food should do the same."
12Tax collectors also came to be baptized. "Teacher," they asked, "what should we do?"
13"Don't collect any more than you are required to," he told them. 14Then some soldiers asked him, "And what should we do?"
He replied, "Don't extort money and don't accuse people falsely—be content with your pay."
15The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Christ. 16John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. 17His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."
18And with many other words John exhorted the people and preached the good news to them.

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



Sermon Notes 12/17/06 Jenkins C.P. Church

People of Expectation
Luke 3:7-18 (See verse 15)

Advent – a time of expectation
-- *for the secular aspect of Christmas ...*
-- *especially for the children*
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-- *for the Christian aspect*

In our lesson we see that the people who heard John preach were people of expectation concerning the Messiah. Some had unrealistic expectation, or they were wrong or mistaken in their expectation.

Some have no expectation

We need to come to God's house expecting.

God calls us to be people of expectation

Our Prayer List / We 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 as originally done.

11/14 Wife Sue & Family of Tom Mikuszewski (brother-in-law Ed Stokowski)
George Horn
JT Freudenthal
11/16 Lewis Creesy & family (McWilliams Bro-in-law)
Juanita Sherille Ritchie (friend of Tommy Marcrum)
11/19 Pat & Jerry Hicks (friends of Rebecca Fielder)
Family of Roy Stevens
Emmy (Hickman) Gobble (friend of Lindsey & Elizabeth)
Hoover Family
Families of those involved in McCannless accident 11/18 All in various stages of recovery from cold, flu, viruses
Audrey & Kim Veech
Tyler Treece
Kate Oaks & Liz Staudt
Sherry Knapper
"Leah" (friend of Deb Martin)
Vivian Reid
Nadine Austin (Shelia Geary's brother-in-law's mother)
Ruth Wiles (Karen Tucker's mom)

Brigitte Dunn – (Bowers')
Tommy Burke – (Bowers')
Taleigha Clayton(S. Groce)
John Post Jr.
Ronnie "Opie" Ward (Cammuse Family)
Flo Hulan (aunt of Pam .Cammuse)
Jake & Joey Fuqua
Karen Hawkins Grandmothers:
Virginia Russell
Margarett Banniza
Susie Hawkins
Family of Patsy Sardis (Mike Bryan's friend)
Tanya (Teague) Dobson
Ricky, Kevin Jr. & Sheree
Debra Holtman (co-worker of Heather Cobb)
11/28 Beau Bucy (nephew of Sara Strasser)
Ray Smith (Julie Bomar's dad)
Dilia Eloisa (Suddarth's)
12/03 All Traveling
Carver Hardison
Reed A Skinner
Paul Arrington (uncle of Rebecca Fielder)

Family of Jack Goddard (uncle of Sherry Windrow)
Sally Nelson (Jobes)
12/8 Harvey Bell (Teresa Shuler's uncle)
Tee Henry (Teresa Shuler's mom)
Dillon Cordell (John Strasser)
12/10/06 Fran Bowers
Joy Wilker
Joey Umbles & Family
Sarah Strasser & Chad
Judy Killian (friend of Mary Beth Roland)
FSG Wade Mano & Family
1st Lt. Tim Collins & Family
12/11 Melissa Miller & son Jackson Miller
Kate Patterson (Moses)
Family of Mattie Morton
12/13 Jessica Crawford & Alexa Vernon (nieces of Susan Dorman)
12/14 Family of friends of John Ard (Steve Allemore)
Ed Callison
8yr. old Granddaughter of Donna Callison

Remember those who are **homebound or in Nursing Homes**. **Remember** in prayer Our Country – President - Government. Please spend at least one minute a day praying for the safety of the United States, our troops, our citizens, and for peace in the world.

Special CHRISTMAS Project -GRACEWORKS-

The Sunday school classes of Jenkins provided baskets for 10 Families.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL - One family received a gift card for food for Christmas by JT Freudenthal in memory of his wife Myrtle Freudenthal.

They would have been married 62 years December 29th.

**If you know you are going to have news articles and information for January Newsletter, kindly get information to Beverly @ bjmedlen@comcast.net

Mark Your Calendars – Dates to Note

Sunday, Dec. 17th at 3:00 pm & 7:00 pm–Community Christmas Cantata at Jenkins. The greater Nolensville area churches will combine to present the Christmas cantata, "A Child This Day" by Benjamin Harlan. The adult community choir will share the stage with local children's choirs as well as the St. Edward's handbell choir.



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 the Sacrament representing Christ's body and blood, and 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.) Contact the pastor if you would like to receive communion earlier or later.



Sunday, December 31 – 9:00 am

5th Sunday One Service with Brunch Following!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR as we meet together for one Service at 9:00 am.

The men of our church will lead us in this worship.

What a wonderful way to end the year; together.

A BIG THANK-YOU to the children for their presentation of "The Next Noel" and the youth's "Life Changing Journey". We know that a lot of time and hard work went into these Christmas Programs last Sunday. A special "thanks" to their parents for their time and support, as well as the adults in charge of the productions, preparations, "sound system", setting up & cleaning up.

MISSIONS OUTREACH CHRISTMAS HELP: Jenkins Outreach committee is assisting Nolensville families with clothing, food, toys, etc. for Christmas. If YOU would like to purchase something for one of the children or the family please see Sonya Haywood for sizes, needs etc.

NEW WOMEN'S EXERCISE CLASS IN 2007: Would you like to burn calories, get in shape and have fun while doing it? Join us at the church on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the gym for a new women's beginners exercise class. The class will focus on improving flexibility, strength and stamina through a variety of activities. There is no charge for each class, but there is a one time only \$5 equipment fee. This class is open to all women in the community, so bring a friend and join in! See flyer for more details. Please e-mail Sonya Haywood at skhay@comcast.net to reserve your spot in the class or call her at 371-3202.

Lost and Found

Are you missing a serving dish (or two)? Check the church kitchen! A few of you great cooks have left your dishes behind after our church events as far back as July. (Don't worry—they've all been washed and dried and are ready to take home!)



If you would like to purchase Poinsettias in honor or in memory of someone, the cost is \$10.00 per plant. (Forms are available to fill out) You may mark your Check "poinsettia" or put your money in an envelope and write "poinsettia" on the outside and drop in offering plate. 25 Poinsettias are part of our beautiful sanctuary display this morning. The Poinsettias will be used to decorate our sanctuary next Sunday as well. (The poinsettias may be taken home with you after the morning worship service on the 24th or Christmas Eve evening communion services.)

- LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE -

First Sunday in Advent

Advent means coming.

We light this candle as a sign of the coming light of Christ.

We are preparing ourselves for the days when the nations shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks;

Nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
Neither shall they learn war any more. (Isaiah 2:4)

Second Sunday in Advent

Advent means preparation & waiting.

The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
The calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them. (Isaiah 11:6)

Third Sunday in Advent

Advent means sharing the "Good News" & Joy.

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly,
and rejoice with joy and singing. (Isaiah 35:1)

Let us walk in the light of the Lord



In Charles Swindoll's book "A Christmas List", 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.....*

The second is Personal danger. *We forget who we are. We are ambassadors of Christ Jesus and are to be sharing the message 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 25th ...but not at the expense of the 26th".

POINSETTA DEDICATIONS

In Memory of Giles A. Thomas	by Mr. & Mrs. Art Wagle
In Memory of Lilli Wilker	by Marilyn Ryan
In Honor of Kaleigh Hutchinson	by Marilyn Ryan
In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Adam Strasser	by the Jerry Bowers Family
In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Bowers	by the Jerry Bowers Family
In Memory of Ruby Doris Marable	by Mike & Mary Jo Bryan
In Memory of Linda Marable	by Mike & Mary Jo Bryan
In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Hughes	by Mary Beth & Bill Roland
In Memory of Sara Roland	by Mary Beth & Bill Roland
In Memory of Luther Naron	by Margaret, Michael, Phillip & Everett Naron
In Memory of Myrtle Freudenthal	by Gene & Della Crawford
In Memory of Roy Stevens	by Gene & Della Crawford
In Memory of James E. Davis	by Joyce & Charlie Thomas
In Memory of Marie L. Davis	by Joyce & Charlie Thomas
In Memory of Loved Ones	by Brad & Donna Bondanza
In Honor of All Armed Services Men, Women, & Families	by Brad & Donna Bondanza
In Memory of Margaret & John Post	by Andrew & Russ Dornan
In Memory of Myrtle Freudenthal	by J. T. Freudenthal



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	Amelia Windrow	Adam Strasser	Elizabeth Harris
Vicky Head	Edna Hughes	Hanna Strasser	Howard (Jesse) Harris
Mary McArthur	Gordon McCandlish	James Finley	Josephine Covington
John Post	Margaret Post	Bill Wiley	Jerry Patton
George Parrish	Ruby Finley	Ray Weiland	Marie (De Dee) Davis
Ruby Marable	Virgil Weeks	Marie Fetter	Jimmy Smith
Dot Pope	Jim Pope	Mike Sinks	Linda Marable
Bill McCord	Howard "Rip" Norris	Alice T. Smith	Myrtle Freudenthal