

JENKINS CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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BRINGING THE MESSAGE TODAY PASTOR JONATHAN WATSON
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE 8:00AM
MICAH WATSON WORSHIP LEADER
MELANIE STAUDT-PIANIST SVETA YATSKAYA- ORGANIST
PEGGY DONEGAN SONG LEADER
SVETA YATSKAYA MINISTER OF MUSIC
DECEMBER 2, 2012 COLOR: WHITE

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Holy Communion

ORDER OF THE SERVICE 1st Sunday in Advent December 2, 2012

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People: All flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

The Lighting of the Advent Candle and Prayer

*HYMN: *"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"* No. 124
"Joy to the World!" No. 125 vs 1, 2

*THE APOSTLES' CREED (IN UNISON) No.716 & on Screen
*GLORIA PATRI (IN UNISON) No.622 & on Screen

Call to Confession: Prepare the way of the Lord!

Prayer of Confession: (In Silence) In Jesus name, Amen!

"If we confess our sins; He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

Words of Assurance: The Glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it!

The Word of Blessing: Ephesians 1:3

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Hymn: *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* No.123 vs 1, 2

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION MUSIC: *"Coventry Carol"*

EXPRESSING THANKS TO GOD

OFFERTORY MUSIC: *"Love Came Down at Christmas"*

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

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SCRIPTURE LESSON: *"1 Kings 19:9-12"* *ESV*

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Song of Praise:

"Here I Am to Worship"

On Screen

Hymns:

"Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

No. 124

"Joy to the World!"

No. 125 vs 1,2

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No. 716 & on Screen

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Mary Jo Bryan

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Holy Anticipation

Advent is a special season in the life of the church. It is a celebration of the hope and fulfillment of the Savior's birth, the anticipation of the Holy One coming into the world bringing eternal life to all who believe. Anticipation of the Christ is what makes the Christmas season so special. While it's getting colder outside, the fires of hope in our Savior fill our hearts and homes with the warmth of His love.

I always enjoy the cozy atmosphere of the Christmas holidays with family and friends, a good book by the fireplace, a cup of hot apple cider or hot chocolate with marshmallows. Throughout the holidays there is an underlying anticipation as we make preparations. We may run from store to store looking for gifts, but eventually after all the shopping is done, things finally seem to slow down as we draw closer to Christmas and we deliberately set aside time to spend with family and friends.

We celebrate with Christmas parties, a Christmas Cantata, a Children's program and our candle light communion on Christmas Eve. Times like these make Christmas so special, and I am sure many children would agree one of the most special parts of Christmas is the anticipation of, and opening of, presents on Christmas morning.

When I think about giving gifts during the Christmas season I always remember the gifts presented to the baby Jesus by the wise men. I think about the long days, even months of travel following a star, and the hopeful anticipation that by journey's end they would be kneeling before a baby king to present gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Hope is what filled their hearts, gave them strength, and propelled them onward to the place of Jesus' birth. Hope is what caused them to come bearing gifts, and that same hope is stirring in our hearts today. Holy anticipation is alive in our hearts today because the gift of God's Son reigns within us and propels us onward. We do not always understand it, and we often let life get so loud around us we struggle to recognize it, but when we finally slow down and take the time to listen, the hope and vision of God begins to rise within us leading us to the feet of our Savior.

No one, not even the wise men, understood just how great a gift had been given to the world on that holy night. The greatest gift that could ever have been given to humanity has been offered freely to every one of us in the person of Jesus Christ? Opening God's gift to us, like presents on Christmas morning, takes only a moment, but the present and presence of Jesus and the faith, hope, & love He gives us continues to lead us throughout our lives. This Christmas season share the greatest gift of all with your family and friends and everyone God brings across your way, because Jesus is the greatest gift of all.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Watson, Pastor

FIFTH SUNDAY WORSHIP AND BRUNCH

December 30, Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

One worship service followed by brunch at 10:15 (no Sunday School.) The kitchen committee will supply and cook the Fifth Sunday Brunch. The menu will be pancakes, with meats, fruit and other surprise goodies.

SESSION MEETING

December 9, Sunday

RETIREEES' OUTING

Dec. 12, Wednesday, 11:00 a.m.

Meet at Jenkins. Contact 776-5450 if you have any questions. Everyone is welcome!

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST,
December 15, Saturday, 7:00 a.m.**

All men of the church are invited.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

12/1: Jo England
Bryce Allemore
12/3: Ashley Ball
12/4: Kirk Donegan
12/9: Jean Fast, Tracy Spicer
12/10: Sara Strasser,
Reagan Hardy,
Benjamin Clemons
12/11: Tiffany Clemons
12/12: David Seeman
12/18: Josh Clemons
Wyatt Geary
12/19: John Waggoner
12/23: Kim Hardison
12/25: Brad Bondanza
12/26: Sveta Yatsky
12/28: Beverly Medlen
12/30: Allison Hatfield
12/31: Matt Thomas
Charlotte Miller

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

12/15: John & Fran Leeper
12/21: Don & Sheila Geary
12/23: Harold & Angie Shafer
12/27: Steve & Julie Lucks

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT JENKINS CHURCH

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It is the season of the most beautiful music ever written and here at Jenkins CP Church we try to do our best to provide our church family and the community with the music that will be inspiring, comforting, and leading hearts to Christ. Every Sunday through the whole Advent season and at our special events you will be able to hear and sing together all time Christmas favorites.

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December 24, Monday - "Christmas Eve Candlelight Service"

4:30 p.m. – Christmas Harp Prelude by Sveta Yatsky with Melanie Staudt on the organ.

5 p.m. – Worship and Communion with a short inspirational message by Rev. Jonathan Watson

December 29, Saturday, 7 pm – "Amid the Winter Snow," Annual Concert

Don't put away the Christmas spirit too quickly – visit our New Grounds Coffee House for a night of Christmas and winter songs from all over the world, as well as for classical and Celtic music performed by "Once&4All" band on accordion, mandolin, guitar, harp, hammer dulcimer, etc. Admission is free. To be seated at the table, please, RSVP at the church office - (615)776-2339. For more information about the band and the Coffee House Ministry visit www.jenkinscp.org under Music Ministry or New Grounds Coffee House.

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Saturday, December 8th, in the gym

It will be here soon! Want to help the kids? To date, we're short on toys/activities for elementary through middle school ages, and throws/blankets. There is also a list of items at the church if you prefer to get something else. **Please bring all donations to the gym no later than Thursday, December 6th.** As usual, we ask for privacy for our families on December 8th from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. to allow them to participate freely in the program. Thanks and Merry Christmas!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with this ministry during the 10:15 service!

Following the Children's Sermon, children age 5 through 5th grade may go to Children's Church for the remainder of the service. The volunteer schedule for December is:

- Dec 2: Amy Williams
- Dec 9: Angela Middleton
- Dec 16: No Children's Church, Christmas Cantata at 9:00 a.m.
- Dec 23: Rebecca Pfahl
- Dec 30: Jennifer Mooneyham

If you are willing to give of your time and talents to help in this children's ministry one Sunday morning each quarter, please speak with Jennifer Mooneyham or Pastor Jonathan Watson.

ROCK CITY WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Wednesday, December 5, is the last evening for the Fall semester. Dates and information for the Spring semester of Rock City and Wednesday night worship will be coming soon!

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Evangelism Conference: Dec. 27-30.
30 Hour Famine: February 22-24

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The session recently approved a plan to pay \$10,000 before the end of this year on the principal of our loan. We have received \$3,000 to date so we still need \$7,000 before the end of the year. The amount left on the church loan is about \$247,000. We currently use church fundraisers such as the Sleigh Bells Bazaar to pay extra on the churches loan each year. The \$10,000 year end goal for 2012 is to be paid on the principal in addition to all other fundraising for this year.

We need your help to meet this goal. We have adopted this measure because we realize the retirement of our loan is essential to be more effective ministers of the Gospel, and to this end will increase the ability of all ministries of our church to be more effective for Christ. We thank you for your prayers and participation in this matter of seeing our church become debt free.

BAZAAR UPDATE

The net proceeds raised from the Bazaar fundraiser to go towards the Building Fund are \$4,383.91.

Attendance and Offerings for November

	04	11	18	25
Sunday School	67	37	63	48
Worship 8:00	48	39	47	36
Worship 10:15	60	68	66	64
Offering	\$4,203.50	\$4,019.51	\$3,815.50	\$2,348.50

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Blended worship service 10:15 a.m.
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