#### **UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC**

## Sunday, December 28, 2014

10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service

#### Tuesday, December 30, 2014

January 4 Bulletin deadline

#### Wednesday, December 31, 2014

Office Closes at 2:30pm

#### Thursday, January 1, 2015

Office Closed New Year's Holiday

#### Friday, January 2, 2015

Bus Reserved (Youth Ski Trip)
Office Closed

#### Saturday, January 3, 2015

Bus Reserved (Youth Ski Trip)

#### Sunday, January 4, 2015

10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service Bus Reserved (Youth Ski Trip)

#### **SERVING TODAY**

Greeter: Betty Thrailkill He

Lobby Door Greeters: Robert Calhoun, Theodore Burns

**Altar Guild:** Sara Margaret Therrell

**Nursery:** Caroline Berry and Sally Smith

Flowers Next Sunday: OPEN

Children's Church: Communion

**Counters:** Jane Mayew, John Moore **Alternate Counter:** Mary Burr

Head Usher: Anthony Harris

**Hostess:** Kelly Dusa **Acolyte:** Jayson Lewis

Cross Bearer: PJ McPherson
McArn Item: Canned vegetables

Next Week's Lav Reader: Lib Norton

Worship Attendance, Dec. 21— 209; Attendance in Worship the same Sunday last year—200

#### FUMC STAFF

Rev. Dr. Kurt McPherson, Pastor (kamcpherson@umcsc.org)
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The Mission of the First United Methodist Church is to win and nurture souls for Jesus Christ by sharing and living the message of salvation.

# December 28, 2014 1st Sunday after Christmas Day

#### **Prelude**

**Greeting and Announcements** 

**Greg Sanderson** 

*Please sign the attendance pad and pass it to everyone on the pew.* 

Call to Worship Greg Sanderson

Praise the Lord! Praise God, all of you who are his messengers!

\*Hymn No. 220 in the Hymnal "Angels from the Realms of Glory" Regent Square

Unison Prayer Greg Sanderson

Eternal God, by the birth of Jesus Christ you gave yourself to the world. Grant that, being born in our hearts, he may save us from all our sins, and restore within us the image and likeness of our Creator, to whom be everlasting praise and glory, world without end. Amen.

Children's Sermon Sara Sanderson

\*Affirmation Of Faith No. 880 The Nicene Creed Jenny Keefe, Lay Reader

\*The Gloria Patri

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer Greg Sanderson

\*Hymn No. 224 in the Hymnal "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" In Dulci Jubilo

Offertory Prayer Greg Sanderson

Offertory

\*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology No. 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Old 100th

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 52: 7 Rev. David Townsend

*Gospel Reading	John 1: 1-14	Rev. Townsend
Sermon	"The Living Word"	Rev. Townsend
*Hymn No. 245 in the Hymnal	"The First Noel"	The First Noel
*Benediction		Rev. Townsend

\*Postlude

### \*Indicates where you should stand if you are able.

The poinsettias are placed in the sanctuary to the glory of God and in memory of Sara, Billy and Bill Burch by Larry and Kay Spears.

**WELCOME VISITORS** — We welcome our visitors! Please fill out the attendance sheet with your contact information. If you wish to join the church by Affirmation of Faith or Transfer of Membership, please notify the pastor at 843-537-7002.

**PASTOR'S INFORMATION** — If you need to contact the pastor, you can call the parsonage at 537-3635, the church office 537-7002 or his cell phone 864-643-9968.

**OUR PRAYER LIST** — our President, all who defend our nation, Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries' mother), Bailey Turner (10-yr-old from Ruby with cancer), Lucille Gray (Betty Hurst's mother), Zenda Rushing, Scott Tomberlin, Ed Davidson. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.** 

**DEPOSITS DUE** — The youth have two deposits that are due in the next few weeks. Winter Jam deposit of \$15 is due on January 7. Revolution deposit of \$20 is due January 15.

**CHARGE CONFERENCE** — We will have a special called Charge Conference on Wednesday, January 7 at 6:30pm.

**AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT REMINDER** — Just a reminder that we have automatic bank draft for your pledge. If you are interested in signing up for this, please see Angie in the church office. If you are already signed up, your bank draft will continue to be taken out next year, unless Angie is contacted otherwise.

**YEAR-END CONTRIBUTIONS** — In order for contributions to be posted to your 2014 giving record, they must meet one of three requirements: 1) The gift is received and posted to your account before December 31, 2014. 2) The contribution is dropped into the offering plate or delivered to the church office on or before December 31, 2014. 3) The envelope in which the gift is mailed is postmarked on or before December 31, 2014.

The church office will be open December 29 and 30, 2014 from 8:00am—3:30pm and December 31 from 8:00am—2:30pm to assist you with year-end giving matters. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact the church office at 537-7002.

**FLOWER CALENDAR** — If you have a special Sunday for putting flowers in the church next year, please call Sarah Margaret Therrell (537-3395) or the church office (537-7002) and let them know.

**CHURCH-WIDE HOSPITAL OUTREACH PROJECT** — If you would like to donate to a church-wide hospital outreach project where the children and youth will make up baskets with snacks, lip balm, quarters for vending machines and other items that family members of those in the hospital may need, please leave your donation at the church office.

**MILLION BOOK DRIVE** — The million book drive is an ongoing project. A box is outside the church office for you to place your <u>new books</u> for 4th through 6th grade. These books will be given out in Chesterfield County.