

OUR PRAYERS

Methodist Germantown

Frances Coffman CVICU Martha Allen 311W

Hospice Care

Tina Gift

Nashville

Mike Simmons (Ginny Lawrence's son) Surgery 12/7 to remove infected hip replacement and replace again.

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to ...the Gabriel family and friends of Ed Gabriel



OUR PRESENCE

December 2

Church School	49
Worship	77
Visitors	4



OUR GIFTS

December 2

This Week's Offering	\$ 4,976
MTD	\$ 4,976
Apportionments TD	\$ 17,100



OUR SERVICE

Assisting December 9

Greeters	Audrey Weaver Keith Coffman
Liturgist	Bruce Hughes
Scripture	Renee Little

Children's Time

Lock-up Jimmie Bedwell



OUR WITNESS

December Scripture Readers

- 16 Warren Petty
- 23 Judy Stanley
- 30 Happy Gbeneneh



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**Second Sunday
of Advent**



December 9th

Scripture Readings:
Luke 1:68-79
Malachi 3:1-4

Sermon:
"The God of Revelation"

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From all of us

- Brother Paul & Barbara
- Andrew Baker
- Diana & Jimmie Bedwell
- Wilson & Courtney Bierbrodt
- Cathy Boice & Daniel
- Peggy Brightwell & Jeff
- June Burton
- De Carroll
- Anthony Clarke
- Nell Clarke
- Keith & Frances Coffman
- Lynn Coffman
- Neil & Jean DeLong
- Tom & Kathy Earl
- Rebeca & Rick Ernst
- Carolyn M. Escue
- Marcelle Farrow
- Norris & Earline Gabriel
- Earl Galloway
- Happy & Fortune Gbeneneh
- Duncan & Elizabeth Godbold
- Evelyn Goddard
- Richard & Karen Hall
- Jimmy & Jane Hight
- Bruce, Lisa, Konrad & Karl Hughes
- Betty & Chuck Jones
- Joyce Kernodle
- Jeanette Leslie
- Margaret Ann Ligon
- Glenn, Renee, Christopher, Alyssa & Jackson Little



Merry Christmas
to our
Church Family

- Tom & Sharon Lockhart
- Barry, Perri & Alan Mathis
- Lisa Matlock
- Carolyn McDougal
- Bill & Teresa McMullin
- Joy Mitchell
- Richard & Frances Morris
- Pam, Emmett, Lucy & Ben Parrish
- Lou Pennington
- Becky Pennington
- Shannon Pitner
- Joyce Price
- Wayne & Elizabeth Quarles
- Betty Ray
- Mary Robbins
- Betty Smithmier
- Lana Solomon & Zachary
- Mike & Aly Solomon
- Don & Tillie Speraw
- Ed & Judy Stanley
- Pat Tully
- Dean & Aleita Tutor
- Warren Petty & Tyson
- Martha Wallace
- Audrey Weaver
- Bill Whitaker
- Terry & Margie Williamson
- Perry Wilson
- Tilford & Lorelle Woodard

LOOKING AHEAD

- Sun. 12/9 9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship
12:15p Fellowship Class Party
- Mon. 12/10 Noon News Deadline
- Tue. 12/11 10:00a Koinonia Group
6:00p Cub Scouts
7:00p Love/Hope Group
- Wed. 12/12 7:30p Choir Rehearsal
- Thu. 12/13 10:00a Bible Study
- Fri. 12/14 Offices Closed
5:30p Fidelis Class Party
@ the Hights
- Sat. 12/15 9:00a AFLS
2:00p AFLS Christmas Prog.
Extra Choir Rehearsal
Cub Scout Event
- Sun. 12/16 9:45a Church School
10:55a Worship
12:15p UMW Unit Meeting
6:30p Christmas Cantata



CHRISTMAS CANTATA - DECEMBER 16
'BORN A SAVIOR, BORN A KING'

Join us on Sunday night, Dec. 16, at 6 p.m. and enjoy the inspired music and carols of this seasonal work, once again uplifting the story of the first Christmas that rests in our hearts today.



Monday, Dec. 24 6:30 p.m.

My thanks to Paul & Barbara, the Fellowship Class and my church family for your prayers, thoughts and cards. Keith and I appreciate the anniversary cards.

Love,
Frances
* * *

We are now ready to celebrate Jesus' birthday with a big THANK YOU to Brother Paul, Aleita Tutor, Lorelle Woodard, Tommy Lockhart and Mary Robbins, who all helped decorate the church for the Advent season.

The Worship Committee
* * *

Have you seen how nice it looks under the canopy at the back of the church? Thanks to Henry Nettles for his hard work cleaning up leaves. Henry did this as his community outreach service project for his Webelo Troop. You did a great job, Henry. Many thanks.

The Trustees.



FOR THE FOOD PANTRY THRU DECEMBER
Fruit Juice & Canned Fruit



DISCIPLINE FOR DISCIPLES

Articles of Religion of the Methodist Church

Article I - Of Faith in the Holy Trinity

There is but one living and true God, everlasting, without body or parts, of infinite power, wisdom and goodness; the maker and preserver of all things, both visible and invisible. And in unity of this Godhead there are three persons, of one substance, power and eternity—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

The Articles of Religion are reprinted from the Discipline of 1808



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Being God's work in progress, each day
I get a little bit wiser, a little bit better,
a little bit stronger.

UMW NEWS

Remember, our December Unit Meeting will be on Sunday, Dec. 16, right after church with installation of officers and a pot luck lunch. Sub-groups will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 11—Koinonia at 10 a.m. with Ginny Lawrence and Love/Hope at 7 p.m. with Sharon Lockhart (NOT with Jane as stated last week. Sorry, Jane!).



READ ANY GOOD BOOKS LATELY?

Our Church Library has many Christmas story books for children and adults. Come by and check them out!



HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR CHURCH FAMILY CALENDARS YET?
Look for the green envelopes outside the Sanctuary to place your orders. Time is running short!



FILL YOUR SOULS WITH MUSIC

Christmas time offers many opportunities to enjoy the music of the season. Here are but a few:
Dec. 7,8,9,11,12—Bellevue's Singing Christmas Tree—Call 347-200 for show times and tickets.
Dec. 9, 6 p.m.—2nd Presbyterian, 4055 Poplar Ave.—Advent Choral Evensong
Dec. 15, 7 p.m.—The Germantown Symphony Orchestra and the Germantown Chorus present a holiday concert at GPAC. Call the box office, 751-7500, for tickets and info.
Dec. 16, 6 p.m.—Aldersgate UMC presents *Born a Savior, Born a King*. All are welcome.
Dec. 24, 11 p.m.—Christmas Eve at 2nd Presbyterian. This service will offer harp, organ and violin playing *Sleep of the Infant Jesus*, as well as other special music.

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for
Honorarium Fund
In honor of Tom & Sharon Lockhart in celebration of their 50th anniversary by
Betty Smithmier

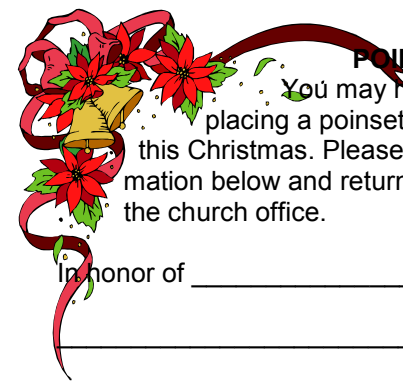
Memorial Fund
In memory of Ed Gabriel by
The Love/Hope Group
Mary Robbins
Cathy Boice & Daniel
Carolyn McDougal
Evelyn Goddard
The Fellowship Class
Keith & Frances Coffman

In memory of Mary Tutor by
Charles & Bonnie Davis

Pew Cushions
In memory of Ed Gabriel by
Joyce Kernodle



SIGN UP NOW TO BE A GREETER IN 2013
The sign-up sheet is on the office window.



POINSETTIAS

You may honor loved ones by placing a poinsettia in the Sanctuary this Christmas. Please complete the information below and return, **with payment**, to the church office.

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Given by _____

_____ ordered at \$14.00 each.
(Deadline extended to Dec. 9)