

The Order of Worship
December 6, 2009 – Second Sunday of Advent

Minister: Rev. James Adams
Lay Leader: Gary Brown
Music/Worship Director: Rebecca Haywood

Organist/Pianist: Debbie Mink
Nursery: Phyllis Shepherd
Secretary: Vickie Ellis

Bold Print indicates a congregational response * Indicates to stand, if able

Gathering Before God

Prelude *What Child is This* Wesley Bells
* Call to Worship & Lighting of the Advent Candles
* Opening Hymn *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* No. 203
* Opening Prayer All
* Songs of Praise *Emmanuel* No. 204
* A Time for Personal Greetings

Hearing God's Word

A Time for our Children
Chorus of Preparation *Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet* (Chorus
twice)
Scripture Lesson Malachi 3:1-20 Danny Hamilton
Gospel Lesson Luke 3:1-20

(after the Gospel is read, the following response)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music *Veni, Come, O Lord* Chancel Choir
Today's Message Slow Down! Road Work Ahead! Rev. Adams

Responding to God

* Hymn *Blessed Be the God of Israel* No. 209

* Affirmation of Faith

Prayer of Confession

I have done a lot of running this week, O God, but much of it was not for you. I have organized my days with prayer and I have not followed the Spirit's leading. O God, help me to find the way, the truth, and the life. Lead me out of selfishness and into your love and care for others. For yours really is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory Debbie Mink
* Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Serving God in the World

* Benediction and Sending Forth
* Final Song

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Today:

5:00 Finance Committee
6:00 U.M.W.

Monday, December 7

6:00 Financial Peace University

Wednesday, December 9

6:00 Bible Study
7:00 Choir

Thursday, December 10

10:00 Sewing Circle

Friday, December 11

6:00 Prestonsburg District Christmas Dinner

Saturday, December 12

9:00 Breakfast with Santa

Nursery Volunteer for Dec. 6 – Susan Hamilton
Children's Church for Dec. 6 – Jenny & Brad Burchett
Acolytes for Dec. 6 – Reece Hamilton, Nick Garrett
Greeters for Dec. 6 – The Garrett Family
Ushers for December – Eddy Clark, Paul Honeycutt, Josh Turner, Neil Turner

Nursery Volunteer for Dec. 13 – Susan Spurlock
Children's Church for Dec. 13 – Kristin Garrett
Acolytes for Dec. 13 – Lilly Smith, Beth Burchett
Greeters for Dec. 13 – Helen Neeley, Becky Derossett

Record of our Faithfulness: Sun., Nov. 29 Morning Worship-102, Sunday School-23
General Fund-\$8600.00, Building -FLC-\$215.00, Total Giving- \$10,400.

The Finance Committee will meet at 5:00 pm today.

United Methodist Women's Christmas meeting today, 6:00. Remember to bring the following: Food item to share with our group, pledge offering for UMW, and gift for resource center.

Thank you to all who contributed to the College kids, with your donations, we were able to send food/gift cards of \$11.50 to each student. Your help with this ministry is greatly appreciated.

2nd Annual Breakfast with Santa, Saturday, December 12, 9:00 am –12:00 pm. Please come join us for good food, fun fellowship and meet our "special guests."
Next Sunday, Dec. 13 we will have a Christmas Dinner after morning worship.

Remember the Wall of Honor? This project is up and running again! We have bricks that will be going up on the wall very soon and if you would like to purchase one in memory of, in honor of or for your family, contact the church office. The cost of each brick is \$500.00.

God's Shepherds: At this most blessed time of the year we are asking for your help in providing Christmas for our children and mothers. Christ reminds us throughout His word to take care of his children. God has blessed us with this wonderful opportunity to do just that. With your help we can provide Christmas for our families who otherwise go without. Contact Julie Paxton, 886-6451, Betty Roberts, 886-2539 or Shyla Meece, 886-6650 for more info.