Announcements

***Prayer Request Cards*** are located in the Narthex and on the table by the Elevator

***Congratulations!*** We welcome Mr. Preston Baker Barnett, Sr. as our newest professing member of Monroeville FUMC. Preston is a longtime supporter of the church and has made his membership official.

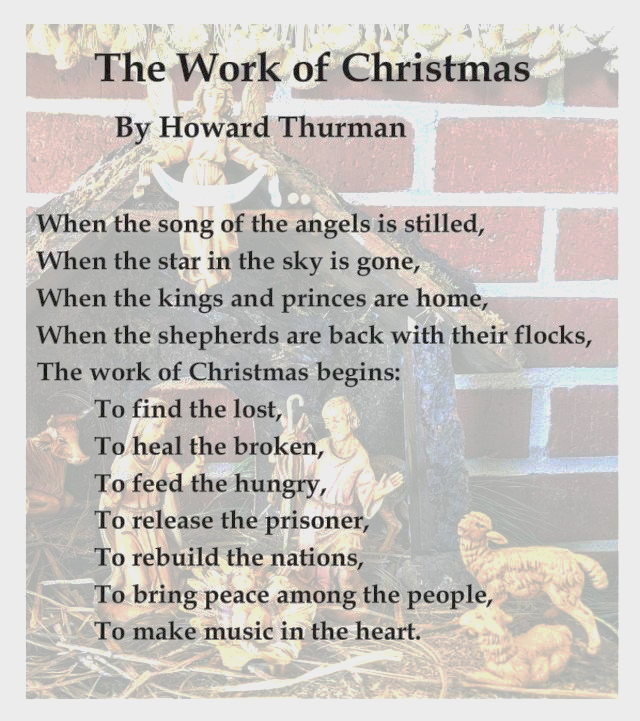
***Office Christmas Hours:***  Closed on December 25th and January 1st Abbreviated Hours 9 – 12 on December 21 and 26 – 28

**December Giving Received:** $ 35,435.00 **Needed:** $ 39,688.00

**YTD Giving Received:** $ 372,774.50 **Needed:** $ 476,256.00

***Year End Contributions***

Please have all gifts to First United Methodist Church to the business office by **12:00 Noon** on Thursday, **December 28th**.



First United Methodist Church

324 Pineville Road

Monroeville, Alabama 36460

251-575-2790

December 24, 2023



**Church Staff**

Senior Pastor: Rev. John Woodrow

Minister of Education: Rev. Pam Barnhardt

Director of Music Ministries/Organist: Nancy Carleton

Church Business Administrator: Caroline Hardin

Nursery Director: Christi Dunn

Nursery Attendants: Letitia Gibbs & Rosie Parker

**Morning Worship**

December 24, 2023 ‡ 10:05

**Christmas Eve**

**ENTRANCE**

Gathering  *Prelude* Nancy Carleton  *Welcome and Opportunities* Rev. Pam Barnhardt

Invocation Rev. Barnhardt

Lighting the Advent Wreath *Candle of Love* The Ard Family

Presentation of Christmas Ornaments Rev. Barnhardt

Offering Nancy Carleton

† Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymnal, 95

† Hymn 220 Angels from the Realms of Glory Congregation

Children’s Sermon Rev. Barnhardt

Scripture *John 1:6-8, 20-26* Rev. John Woodrow

Homily “*Christ Among Us*” Rev. Woodrow

**Favorite Memories, Favorite Hymns**

Hymn 245 *The First Noel* Congregation

† Benediction Rev. Woodrow

† Three-fold Amen Congregation

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† *Standing as able Please silence or turn off your cell phones.*

**Opportunities for the Week**

Sunday, December 24 **Christmas Eve**

9:00 am Sunday School

4:30 pm Chancel Bells Christmas Program (Sanctuary)

5:00 pm Communion & Candlelight Service (Sanctuary)

7:00 pm Communion & Candlelight Service (Sanctuary)

Monday, December 25 **Christmas Day** - Church Office Closed

Tuesday, December 26 Office Hours 9 - 12

Wednesday, December 27 Office Hours 9 - 12

Thursday, December 28 Office Hours 9 - 12

Friday, December 29

Saturday, December 30

Sunday, December 31

9:00 am Sunday School

10:05 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

- No Evening Activities -

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Lindsey Coxwell Sarah Dyess

PRAYER CONCERNS

Pray for one another that you may be healed . . . James 5:16

NEW THIS WEEK Anne Pickens Jane Bouler Cile Coaker

FROM OUR CHURCH Cecelia Ingram Mary Ann Brown Norma James Jim Kane *Carter English* Roy and Jeannette Adams Sue Sellers

GLOBAL CONCERNS

FRIENDS & FAMILY MEMBERS *Neil Dobson*  Mike Edward *Sherry Knighten* Kaitlyn Tillman Meda & Larry Keefer Jack Adams Anne Pickins Shari Bryan Valerie Stevens

Katherine Gantt (Debra Morgan’s Mother) Sandy Downing Evalen Thomas

**Please note our prayer request policy:**

We cannot publish a prayer request if the person making the request has not signed the attendance form on which it is submitted.

Prayer requests will be published for 3 months unless requested otherwise.

Names in italics indicate long term needs.

It is not the intention of the staff to remove any who remain in particular need of prayer. If this occurs, please let us know so that it can be corrected.

You may add or remove names from the prayer list at any time by using the Prayer Concerns cards in the pews and placing it in the offering plate or by calling the church office.

**Attendance registration August 13, 2017**

Check one: 9:00\_\_\_\_\_11:00\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Member(s)
* First time visitor
* Visitor
* Wish to join church
* Desire pastoral visit

Will you share your birthday below for our newsletter birthday list?

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**Email: FUMC324@gmail.com**

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*The Altar Flowers today are given to the greater glory of God*

*and*

*by Cecelia Ingram/Pam Barnhardt.*