

# Luke 2:1-20 ESV

## The Birth of Jesus Christ

2 In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. 2 This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. 3 And all went to be registered, each to his own town. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, 5 to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. 6 And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

8 And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9 And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. 10 And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. 12 And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

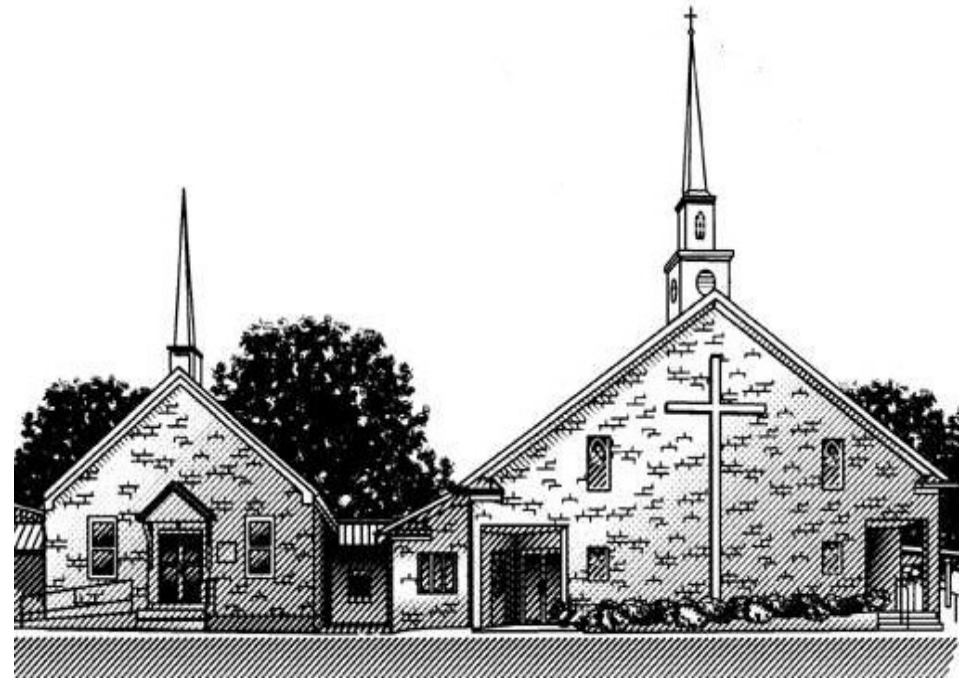
14 "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

15 When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." 16 And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. 17 And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. 18 And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. 19 But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. 20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

### Prayer Request

Mike Anglin  
 Jerry Baldwin  
 Ron Barinske  
 Jerry Barrett  
 Jack Billingsley  
 Betty Burton  
 Frank Burton  
 Charlie Byrd  
 Betty Carpenter  
 Richard Chestney  
 Frank & Annette Conway  
 Mary Ann Cooper  
 Ann Copeland  
 Carlyon Crook  
 Tish C. Dunning  
 Laney Fowler  
 Kyle Fullilove  
 Kip Gaut Family  
 Josh Howard  
 Andi James  
 Daniel Johnson  
 Jackie Knight  
 Helen Lee  
 Buddy Moncrief & Family  
 Kim Moore  
 Betty Robertson  
 Roger Rogers  
 Tommy Roland  
 Danette Smith  
 Marshel Smith  
 Kay Spence  
 David Summers  
 Mildred Stairs Family  
 Lorraine Thompson  
 Morris Thompson  
 Tommy Thompson  
 Shara Thompson  
 Randy Turner  
 Nicholas Yannaccone  
 Amy Wilbanks  
 Bobby Wilbanks  
 Barry Wilson

# Emory Church



## Emory Independent Methodist Church

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### Sunday Services

Sunday School 9:45am  
 Worship Service 11:00am  
 Evening Service 6:00pm

Dr. Michael Johnson Sr. Pastor  
 (901) 606-8113

Robin Cox Secretary/Treasurer  
 (901) 351-7269

Margie Thompson Believers  
 (901) 262-6747

### Guest Registration



December 25, 2022

# Matthew 1:18-25 ESV

## The Birth of Jesus Christ

<sup>18</sup> Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

<sup>19</sup> **And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly.**

<sup>20</sup> But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

<sup>21</sup> **She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.**

<sup>22</sup> All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

<sup>23</sup> **"Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel".**

<sup>24</sup> When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife,

<sup>25</sup> **but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.**

### Christmas Card Exchange

Card are available for pick-up today.

### Christmas Poinsettias

If you purchased a Poinsettia, you can take it after the service.

### Updating our Information

If you have moved, changed your phone number or email address, notify Robin Cox so we can update the church records and can stay in touch.

### Wireless Network

Network Name: EmoryChurch Password: Emory2022  
Network Name and Password are case sensitive.

# Order of Worship

Prelude	Please be seated to prepare yourself for worship.	
Advent	Lighting of Advent Wreath	
Welcome / Prayer		Dr. Michael Johnson
*Hymn	#136 The First Noel	Congregation
*Responsive Reading	Matthew 1:18-25	Congregation
*Hymn	#125 Joy to the World	Congregation
Scripture Reading	Luke 2:1-20	
*Hymn	#141 O Little Town of Bethlehem	Congregation
		Sadie Nabers Shyanne Nabers Sherry Carlson Michael Johnson
Special	Jesus, Strong and Kind	
Communion		
Special	O Holy Night	Taylor Howard
Sermon		Dr. Michael Johnson
*Hymn	#147 Silent Night, Holy Night	
Closing Prayer		Congregation

(\* ) indicates times when you are invited to stand as you are able

A nursery is available during the worship service.

## Emory Calendar for the Week of December 25

Sunday, December 25	Worship Service	10:30am
Sunday, January 1	Worship Service	10:30am
Tuesday, January 3	Believers	

Updates for Bulletin and Prayer List  
Update your contact information  
Contact Robin Cox 901 351-7269 or wildpigfan@aol.com