

EFUMC Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 1

Hanging of the Greens

8:40 a.m. SonRise Service
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Community Advent Service

Tuesday, December 3

10:00 a.m. Office Volunteer Party
6:30 p.m. Seasons of Praise

Wednesday, December 4

12:00 p.m. Circle 7 Christmas Lunch
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, December 5

5:15 p.m. Handbells

Saturday, December 7

9:00 a.m. Chancel Choir

Office Hours

Monday - Wednesday

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday

8:30 - 12 Noon

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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December 1 Volunteers

SonRise Service

Greeter: Mike Gasque

Lay Welcomer: Larry Fetterly

Scripture Readers: Julie & Mike Thompson

Nursery: Joan Buffington

Ushers: Bob Dean, John Spearman

Communion: Julie Dangler, Mike Gasque

Mugging: Mike Gasque

11:00 Service

Traffic Jam: Judy Daughtridge

Altar Guild: Daisy & Jim Ruud

Acolyte: Carson Daley, Kennedy Gilstrap

Greeter: Beverly & Jim Fogle

Lay Readers: Ron & Shelley Fones

Nursery: Kathie Cannon

Ushers: T.D. Burnette, Jim Fogle,

Jimmy Jones, Riley King, Dale Mayson

Visitor Registration: Judy Daughtridge

Mugging: Judy Daughtridge

Welcome Table: Gary Mathis

Technical Support: Shirley Mayer & Kathie Waters

December 8 Volunteers

SonRise Service

Greeters: Mary Rose Gathman, Mike Gasque

Lay Welcomer: Greg Belle

Scripture Reader: Mike Thompson

Nursery: Kari Dean

Ushers: Bob Dean, John Spearman

Communion: Charlene & Larry Fetterly

Mugging:

11:00 Service

Traffic Jam:

Altar Guild: Daisy & Jim Ruud

Acolyte: Stephen Bolinger-Byas

Lay Readers: Paige & Thomas McCord

Greeter: T. D. Burnette

Nursery: Cameron Gilstrap

Ushers: T.D. Burnette, Jim Fogle,

Jimmy Jones, Riley King, Dale Mayson

Visitor Registration:

Mugging:

Welcome Table:

Technical Support: Shirley Mayer & Kathie Waters



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Grow in Christ. Reach out to others.

*Providing families and individuals a Christ-centered option
in an increasingly complex and changing world through:*

Welcoming well

Meaningful worship

Encouraging small groups

Training teachers and leaders

SONRISE SERVICE

Hanging of the Greens

December 1, 2019

First Reading

***Gathering Song** "Song of Hope" (Heaven Come Down)

Welcome and Announcements

Larry Fetterly

Second Reading

***Song** "Glory In the Highest"

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Mike & Julie Thompson

Third Reading

Song "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Children's Moments/Building the Crèche

Rev. Deana Gentry

Scripture Reading Exodus 12:21-27, Genesis 1:14

Rev. Ken Owens

Sermon "Why is it a rule that we have holidays?"

Rev. Owens

Offering

Offertory "Waiting Here for You"

Great Thanksgiving

***Communion Song** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

***Sending Forth**

***Those who are able, please stand.**

In memory of Our Parents and daughter Tara Goetz
Chuck and Mary Kay Ouvry

In memory of Joe and Jessie Retzer and Everette and Edna Bush. In honor of
Wyatt, Weldon and Etta McJunkin and Phoebe and Henry Retzer.
Bill and Rosemary Retzer

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Martin, Martha Martin, Mr. & Mrs. John H.
Richey
James and Barbara Richey

In memory of Howie Sharman
Judy Sharman

In honor of our Easley FUMC Family
Ed and Pat Shigley

In memory of George Smith
Fran Smith

In memory of Sydney F. McDaniel, Jr. and James J. Snyder
Joyce Snyder

In memory of Tim Hendricks and Neil Vander Linden
Alice Vander Linden

In memory of our parents Joe and Edna Venable and Harold and Ethel Cassell.
In honor of our children and families Eric, Angie, Caroline and Cassie Venable
and Eric and Heather Suttles.
Joe and Phyllis Venable

In memory of Max and Lela Green and Bunk and Bette Weston
Tabby and Chris Weston

In memory of Don Wilson
Jean Wilson



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Hanging of the Greens

December 1, 2019

In memory of Clint Garrett and in honor of Madison, Chase, Mallory, Meriwether, Brooke and Banks
Mike and Linda Galloway

In memory of William E. and Hiltrud Gasque and in honor of Wanda C. Britts
Mike and Susan Gasque

In honor of Claire Muzal
Bruce and Mary Rose Gathman

In memory of W. E. Greer, Jr.
Diane Greer

In memory of Louise Jones
Stan and Fran Jameson

In memory of Louise Jones
Jimmy Jones

In memory of Clayton Jackson
Tamah Jones

In memory of Mary B. Jones, Pauline Harrison and Keith Taylor. In honor of Ned Jones.
Will, Samantha, Sydney and Averi Jones

In memory of our parents: Mr. and Mrs. John Russell Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Sexton
Mary Ann and Buddy Jordan

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. E. C. Klebe, Sr. and Mr. & Mrs. R. H. Leatherwood, Sr.
Carl and Pat Klebe

In memory of C. J. and Mary Lambour and in honor of Vivian Martin-Sandy's mother.
Bob and Sandy Lambour

In honor of the Staff of EFUMC
Teresa Nash

Chimes of the Trinity

Welcome, Parish Notices

Rev. Ken Owens

Opening Voluntary "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night" JOSEPH PARRY

Bringing The Light and The Word Carson Daley, Kennedy Gilstrap

Call to Worship "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" TRURO

Opening Prayer

First Reading Mary Gilstrap

***Hymn No. 211** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (Stanzas 1-4) VENI EMMANUEL

Second Reading Mary Gilstrap

Changing of the Paraments and Placing the Banner

Hymn No. 220 "Angels from the Realms of Glory" REGENT SQUARE

Third Reading - Advent Wreath Ron and Shelley Fones

Hymn "Advent Song" ADVENT CANDLE SONG

Light the Advent candle, one: Now the waiting has begun;
We have started on our way, time to think of Christmas day.
Candle, candle burning bright, shining in the cold winter night;
Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light.

Fourth Reading Alice Vander Linden

Hanging of the Greens and Wreaths

Hymn "The Holly and the Ivy"

The holly and the ivy,
When they are both full grown,
Of all the trees that are in the wood,
The holly bears the crown.

*Chorus: The rising of the sun
And the running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ,
Sweet singing in the choir.*

The holly bears a blossom,
As white as the lily flower,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ,
To be our sweet Saviour.
Chorus

The holly bears a berry,
As red as any blood,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to do us sinners good.
Chorus

The holly bears a prickle,
As sharp as any thorn,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
On Christmas Day in the morn.
Chorus

The holly bears a bark,
As bitter as any gall,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to redeem us all.
Chorus

The holly and the ivy,
When they are both full grown,
Of all the trees that are in the wood,
The holly bears the crown.
Chorus

Fifth Reading

Alice Vander Linden

Placing of the Poinsettias

Hymn

“Advent at the Cross”

Alas, and did my Savior bleed,
And did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
For sinners such as I?

HANGING OF THE GREENS SPECIAL GIFTS

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Clarence L. Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Welborn
Bill and Mary Baker

In memory of Jim Barnett, Ann Wilson Johnson, William E. and Dorothy D. Payne
Richard and Kathy Barnett

In memory of our dear dad and loving husband, Joe Bandy
Bandy Family

In memory of Gerald C. Belle and in honor of Nancy J. Belle and I. Geraldine Hinz
The Belle Family

In honor of my children
Clarice Bobo

In memory of Mrs. Carol Taylor, Mr. Chester D. Taylor (Traci's parents) and Mrs. Phyllis
Boyles (Aaron's mother) and In Honor of Mr. Robert Boyles (Aaron's father)
Aaron and Traci Boyles

In memory of Daisy Brim
Alice Brim

In memory of husband: Wayne Brown and parents: Ruth and Goode Sarratt
Judy S. Brown

In memory of Bill and Esther Caldwell and Max and Lela Green and in honor of Herman
and Doris Jackson and Marion and Brenda Hampton
Bill and Theresa Caldwell

In memory of Marion L. Carey, husband and father
Jean and Marlee Carey

In honor of our teachers-Jeff Fogle, Rob Mayer and Kathie Waters
Cornerstone Sunday School Class

In memory of Corrie, Sam and Bob Krause and John Daughtridge
Judy Daughtridge

In memory of our parents Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. George Carman,
Sr.
Jim and Grace Davis

Youth this Sunday - December 1 – Tired of Turkey leftovers? . We're going out to lunch together after the 11:00 service. Bring money for lunch.

December 8 – Lesson Night

December 15 – There will be a Live Nativity before both services. We are looking for youth to participate. If you would like to be one of the Biblical Christmas Characters, let Deana know. Progressive dinner starting at 6:00 p.m.

Lake J Ski Trip is February 7-9 - YOUTH AND PARENTS! Put this on your calendar and start preregistering for this trip by letting me know if you are planning to attend and if you are bringing friends.

Don't have youth but would love to support youth ministries?

We have a progressive dinner December , and we still need a couple of host homes – let Deana know if you would like to help. ALSO we have a snack supper every Sunday for youth. Like to provide a dinner, let Deana know.

Children's Sunday School Teachers Needed

Starting January 5, we need at least 3 additional teachers. Each teacher would teach once a month. We also need a few assistants. Please let Deana know if you are feeling called to this vital ministry .

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The **Easley Community Advent Service** begins tonight at 6:00 p.m. - Easley Union Baptist Church, 6:40 p.m. - Easley Presbyterian Church, 7:15 p.m. - EFUMC, 7:55 p.m. - Easley First Baptist Church, 8:20 p.m. - refreshments at First Baptist. Church buses will be available or you may walk between churches.

**White Christmas** - As a church, we can come together and help those in our community that are in need. This year's angel tree will help get these basic needs out to parents and children who do not have anything. We will be collecting items like sheets, dishes, laundry detergent, combs etc. The White Christmas service will be December 15. Please feel free to wrap your items in white or place in a white bag (available in the narthex). I know for me, that seeing all those white presents reminds me of how "bright" the day is with Christ in it and what we can do when everyone comes together! If you have any questions, please call Heidi Mathis at 360-7043.

We are also collecting gently-used coats and new hats and gloves for United Christian Ministries. There will also be "Heat Angels" on the tree that will be used to help our neighbors in need stay warm this winter.

*Chorus: At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light,  
And the burden of my heart rolled away,  
It was there by faith I received my sight,  
And now I am happy all the day!*

What beauty doth that flow'r possess,  
What flaming red and green;  
The Christmas flow'r doth represent  
The blood that flowed for me!  
*Chorus*

This Advent time has brought us near,  
We long for signs of love;  
The Christmas Flow'r reminds us of  
That love from up above!  
*Chorus*

**Sixth Reading and Scripture**

Isaiah 2:1-5  
*Pew Bible pg. 688 OT*

Mike Galloway

**Anthem**

"Advent Cry: Veni Redemptor (Come, Lord Jesus)"  
*Meg Edwards, Soloist*

JOSEPH MARTIN

**Children's Moments/Building the Crèche**

Rev. Deana Gentry

**Seventh Reading**

Bill Caldwell

**Hanging of the Chrismons**

**Lighting of the Tree**

**\*Hymn**

"O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!"

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Thy leaves are so unchanging;  
O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Thy leaves are so unchanging;  
Not only green when summer's here,  
But also when 'tis cold and drear.  
O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Thy leaves are so unchanging!

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Much pleasure thou can'st give me;  
O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Much pleasure thou can'st give me;  
How often has the Christmas tree  
Afforded me the greatest glee!  
O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Much pleasure thou can'st give me.

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Thy candles shine so brightly!  
O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Thy candles shine so brightly!  
From base to summit, gay and bright,  
There's only splendor for the sight.  
O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
Thy candles shine so brightly!

O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
How richly God has decked thee!  
O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
How richly God has decked thee!  
Thou bidst us true and faithful be,  
And trust in God unchangingly.  
O Christmas Tree! O Christmas Tree!  
How richly God has decked thee!

**Advent Devotional**

Rev. Ken Owens

**Offering**

**Offertory**

“Mary, Did You Know?” BUDDY GREENE/ARR. JOEL RANEY  
*Raechel Fredrickson, Flute Paul Fredrickson, Piano*

**\*Doxology**

No. 95

**\*Hymn No. 196**

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” HYFRYDOL

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**

**\*Benediction Response** "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night" ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

**\*Closing Voluntary** "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" ARR. KENNETH D. VARNER

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

**Guests!** Thank you for joining us in worship. If you will leave us contact information, we will be glad to send you the weekly bulletin by email. **First time guests, please fill out the bright yellow card and give it to the "Mugger" at the door.**

**Art Brewer** is at the Foothills Presbyterian Community Room #4. He would welcome visitors.

**Our sympathy** to the family of Reba Hill. Reba died on November 16 at the age of 100! She had been a member of EFUMC for 42 years.

**Guests with small children:** We welcome you to worship and are very glad to have your children with us! If needed, there is a nursery (birth-3 years) available for our youngest children each Sunday morning in the sanctuary building. **Children's worship sheets/bulletins** and crayons are available from the ushers or on the table in the narthex.

**Thanks and praises** to ALL those that volunteered their Sunday afternoon to lift, carry, move and help with Christmas decorations for the Sanctuary. Your strong backs, willing hands and smiling faces remind us of the true reason for the season.

**United Methodist Women** will meet Wednesday, December 11. The program will be Annual Christmas Music beginning with Steve at the piano in the Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will follow in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited to attend this most delightful and spirit-filled program and enjoy fellowship and lunch.

United Christian Ministries needs help filling **Christmas Dinner Boxes**. The contents of the boxes must be consistent; here is what is needed: **2 boxes macaroni and cheese, 1 cake mix, 1 large can green beans, 1 container frosting, 1 large can yams, 1 box Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix.** Financial gifts to support UCM's bulk purchasing of hams or turkeys for each dinner box are critical to make this outreach work! A suggested donation of \$10/box is appreciated. Items can be dropped off in the church office or at UCM, 303 Dacusville Hwy. 29640.