Scheduled Events

Believers First Thursday @ 5:30pm

Bunco Second Tuesday @ 6:30pm
Crafty Ladies Third Tuesday @ 6:30pm
4-H Third Friday @ 5:30pm

4-H Third Friday @ 5:30pm Crochet Group Fourth Monday @ 6:30pm

The Brethren Second & Fourth Tuesdays @ 6:00pm Find & Follow First & Fourth Tuesdays @ 6:30pm

Jesus Bible Study

Youth Night Wednesdays @ 5:30-7:00pm

Explorer's Tuesdays @ 9:30am Wednesdays @ 7:00pm

## Today

4:30pm GriefShare

5:00pm Annual Business / Board Meeting

6:00pm Evening Worship Service

We are having Brunswick Stew and will need cornbread, crackers and a few desserts.

We will have a short devotional.

#### 2025 Greatest Gift

The Greatest Gift is going to fund a handicap access ramp for the Burton Family Chapel. This will allow all to easily access the Chapel and allow us to schedule more events in the Burton Chapel. Donations can be make December 21st and December 28th.

#### Isaiah 9:6

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

#### Prayer List

Frank Acree
Alexis Adler
June Aldridge
Jack Billingsley
Sue Boyd
Betty Burton
Lin Burton
Betty Carpenter
Frank & Annette Conway
Jackie Cooper
Earl Cox
Carlyon Crook
Kevin Dickey
Jan Hammack

Pat Hollowell
Lou Holmes
Josh Howard Sr.
Helen Lee
Jimmy McKinney
Clay Pruett
Shirley Pruett
Roy Sanderson
Family of Louis Sellers
Danette Smith
Kay Spence

Helen Stewart
Jimmy Thompson
Morris Thompson
Martha Wallace
Amy Wilbanks

Bobby & Caren Wilbanks Family of Barry Wilson Cindy Wilson

## **Important Dates**

Christmas Card Exchange Drop-off November 30 - December 14

Fruit Basket Preparation
Christmas Card Pick-up
December 21
Christmas Caroling and Delivering Fruit Baskets
Christmas Card Exchange Pickup
December 21
Greatest Gift
December 21 & 28
Christmas Eve Communion Service
December 24

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**Sunday Services** (901) 351-7269

Sunday School 10:00am Margie Thompson Believers

Worship Service 11:00am (901) 262-6747

Evening Service 6:00pm www.emorychurchbyhalia.org



# **Emory Church**



December 14, 2025

## **Romans 5:1-11 ESV**

## Peace with God Through Faith

**5** Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die- <sup>8</sup> but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup> More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

## **A Christmas Quote**

The Nativity story of nearly twenty centuries ago is known by all faiths as a hymn to the brotherhood of man. For Christians, it is the fulfillment of ageold prophecies and the reaffirmation of God's great love for all of us. Through a generous Heavenly Father's gift of His Son, hope and compassion entered a world weary with fear and despair and changed it for all time.

On Christmas, we celebrate the birth of Christ with prayer, feasting, and great merriment. But, most of all, we experience it in our hearts. For, more than just a day, Christmas is a state of mind. It is found throughout the year whenever faith overcomes doubt, hope conquers despair, and love triumphs over hate. It is present when men of any creed bring love and understanding to the hearts of their fellow man.

President Ronald Reagan, December 1981

#### Wireless Network

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

## **Order of Worship**

Prelude Please be seated to prepare yourself for worship.

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Lighting of the Advent Candles

\*Hymn #145 O Come, All Ye Faithful Congregation

\*Hymn #138 Go, Tell It on the Mountain Congregation

Affirmation of Faith

Offering & Doxology

\*Hymn #147 Silent Night Congregation

Special Music Knowing You'll Be There Lynn Howard

Scripture Reading Romans 5:1-11

Children's Church Children 3rd grade and younger

Sermon The Consequences of Christmas, pt. 2 Dr. Michael Johnson

Benediction

\*Hymn #345 Blessed Assurance Congregation

Announcements

**Closing Prayer** 

(\*) Indicates times when you are invited to stand as you are able The nursery is available during the worship service.

\*\* NO food or drinks in the sanctuary at any time \*\*

# **Emory Calendar for the Week of December 14th**

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00am
	Worship Service	11:00am
	GriefShare Counseling	4:30pm
	Board Meeting	5:00pm
	Evening Activities	6:00pm
Wednesday	Kids for Christ	5:30pm
Friday	4-H	5:30pm
Saturday	Fruit Basket Preparation	9:00am

For news and updates for the bulletin and prayer list or if you have moved or changed your phone number or email address, contact Robin Cox (901) 351-7269 or wildpigfan@aol.com.