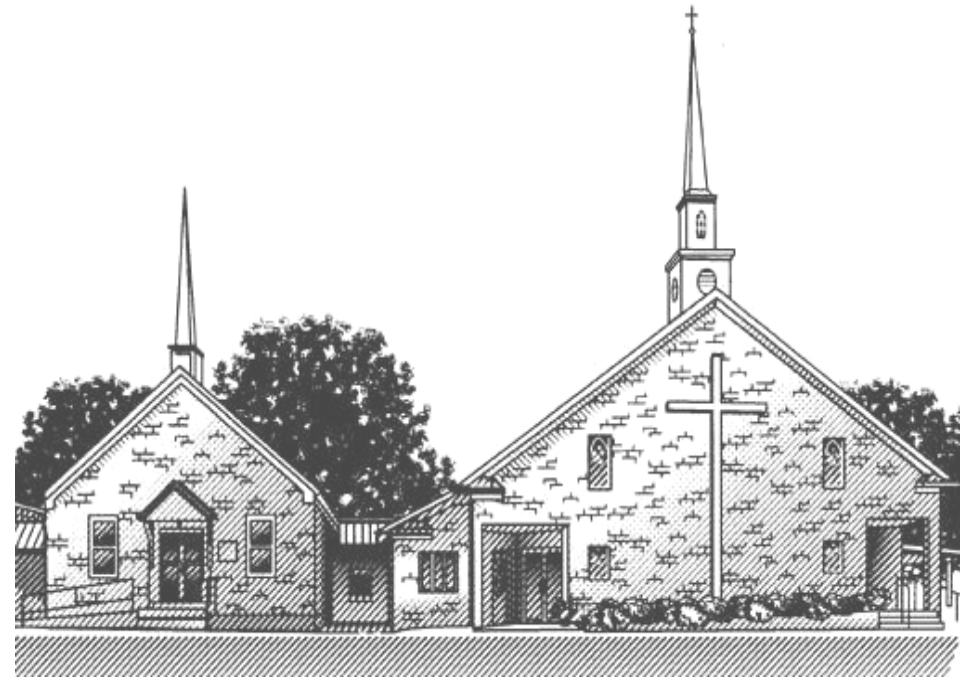


# Emory Church



## Scheduled Events

Believers	First Thursday @ 12:00pm
Bunco	Second Tuesday @ 6:30pm
*GEMS	Second Saturday @ 9:00am
Crafty Ladies	Third Tuesday @ 6:30pm
4-H	Third Friday @ 5:30pm
The Brethren	Second & Fourth Tuesdays @ 6:00pm
Find & Follow	First and Fourth Tuesdays @ 6:30pm
Jesus Bible Study	
*Ladies Yoga	Mondays @ 6:30
Youth Night	Wednesdays @ 5:30-7:00pm
Explorers	Tuesdays @ 9:30am (Ladies) Wednesdays @ 7:00pm

\* Groups not currently meeting

## Tonight

5:30pm Board Meeting

6:00pm Bring your favorite Christmas Food

We will be watching :

“THE CHOSEN a story of the first Christmas”

## The Seekers Class

We will be starting a new Sunday School class in January. The class will be for college age thru early 30s. The class will be lead by Joe and Mandy Yatta.

## Christmas Card Exchange

The Exchange is open and runs through today @ 6:00pm. Please leave your cards in the basket in the foyer. Cards will be available for pickup on December 15 & 22.

## Hearts and Hands

There is a list of items in the foyer that Hearts & Hands has the highest demand for. They have an increased demand during the Christmas Season for food, warm clothes and shoes.

## Upcoming Events

Caroling will be on Sunday, December 22 @ 2:00pm

The Christmas Eve Communion Service will be at 5:30pm.

**Feed the 5000    Keep the Drive Alive**

## Prayer List

Frank Acree  
Eliza Adams  
June Aldridge  
Jack Billingsley  
Betty Burton  
Lin Burton  
Betty Carpenter  
Patsy Coggins  
Frank & Annette Conway  
Jackie & Mary Ann Cooper  
Carlyon Crook  
Winston Dabbs  
Kevin Dickey  
Tish C. Dunning  
Ruby Evans  
Kyle Fullilove  
Tammy Gosa  
Jan Hammack  
Lacy Hawkins  
Pat Hollowell  
Ashlynn Howard  
James Howard  
Josh Howard Sr.  
Jeremy Kotowicz  
Morgan Lauderdale  
Rodney Lynk  
Mike Bell  
Clay Pruett  
Shirley Pruett  
Shannon Reed  
Roy Sanderson  
Danette Smith  
Jimmy Thompson  
Lorraine Thompson  
Morris Thompson  
Caleb Waddell  
Tammy Warren  
Amy Wilbanks  
Bobby Wilbanks  
Barry & Cindy Wilson

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### Sunday Services

Sunday School    10:00am    Margie Thompson    Believers

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

Evening Service    6:00pm

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### Guest Registration



December 15, 2024

# Luke 1:5-25 ESV

## Birth of John the Baptist Foretold

5 In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, of the division of Abijah. And he had a wife from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. 6 And they were both righteous before God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord. 7 But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years.

8 Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, 9 according to the custom of the priesthood, he was chosen by lot to enter the temple of the Lord and burn incense. 10 And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense. 11 And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. 12 And Zechariah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. 13 But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. 14 And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, 15 for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. 16 And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, 17 and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared."

18 And Zechariah said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years." 19 And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. 20 And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time." 21 And the people were waiting for Zechariah, and they were wondering at his delay in the temple. 22 And when he came out, he was unable to speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the temple. And he kept making signs to them and remained mute. 23 And when his time of service was ended, he went to his home. 24 After these days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she kept herself hidden, saying, 25 "Thus the Lord has done for me in the days when he looked on me, to take away my reproach among people."

# Order of Worship

Prelude Please be seated to prepare yourself for worship.

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Lighting of the Advent Candles

\*Hymn Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery Congregation

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

\*Hymn #133 Hark! The Herald Sings Congregation

Affirmation of Faith

Offering Offering & Doxology

Scripture Reading Luke 1:5-17

\*Hymn #125 Joy to the World! Congregation

Scripture Reading Luke 1:18-25

Children's Church **Children 3rd grade and younger**

Sermon Luke 1:5-25 Dr. Michael Johnson

Benediction

\*Hymn #331 Room at the Cross for You 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**

## Emory Calendar for the Week of December 15

Sunday	Sunday School	10:00am
	Worship Service	11:00am
	Board Meeting	5:30pm
	Evening Service	6:00pm
Tuesday	Crafty Ladies	6:30pm
Wednesday	Youth Night	5:30pm
Friday	4-H	5:30pm

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