

**This Week's Schedule
Third Sunday of Advent**

Sunday, December 16th

No Early Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - **Chancel Choir Cantata
"Christmas Presence"**
6:00 p.m. - **Birthday of the King Service
(Refreshments to follow in Social Hall)**

Monday, December 17th

7:00 a.m. - Prayer Group - Church Parlor
(Will not meet Dec. 24th or Dec. 31st)

Tuesday, December 18th

6:30 p.m. - Pre-School Christmas Program
(Refreshments to follow in Social Hall)

Wednesday, December 19th

No Regular Activities
5:15 p.m. - **Gather for an evening of
Family Caroling and Pizza Party**

Saturday, December 22nd

8:00 a.m. - Noon - Thrift Shop
Vicki Rogers Circle

YEAH !!!!!!!!!!!!!

**The Cookbooks have
arrived and are ready for
sale.**

**Cost : \$15.00 each
See Cassie McIntyre for
your copies.
The perfect gift.**

**Are you checking your
Christmas list twice?**

Access the church calendar
from your mobile device.



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"Commission on a Way Forward"

**With the called General
Conference of our United
Methodist Church coming
up in February 2019, it is
vital that we as a congrega-
tion be as informed as possi-
ble. Below are some
sources of information that
will be helpful as we navi-
gate these uncertain waters
with faith and integrity.**

umc.org

sgaumc.org

wesleyan covenant.org

goodnewsmag.org

"WEEKEND BLESSINGS"

*Please support this ministry with
your donations of food or money.
The current need is individual
cereal serving boxes. They are
preparing for the Christmas break.*



The Children's

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School

11:00 a.m.—Children's Church

Kids for Christ Clubs

Send a text to 810-10 with the
message @swains to subscribe to the
Kids for Christ News and Events.

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Last Sunday's Attendance

Sunday School	69
9:00 a.m. Worship	30
11:00 a.m. Worship	105
No Evening Service	
Total Worship	135

Last Sunday's Gifts

Weekly Budget	\$ 9022.00
Received for Budget	\$ 6498.00
Amount (Under)	\$ 2524.00
YTD Budget	\$ 442078.00
YTD Rec'd for Budget	\$ 464681.00
Amount over (Under)	\$ 22603.00
Received for Budget	\$ 6498.00
Designated Giving	\$ 618.10
This Week's Giving	\$ 7116.10

Stained Glass Window

Needed to Complete our Project:
\$ 5000.00

Happy 3rd week of Advent!



***This Sunday 11:00 a.m. The Chancel Choir presents
their Cantata "Christmas Presence" A Gathering of
Hope, Peace, and Love.***

***This Sunday 6:00 p.m. The Birthday of the King
Celebration with the combined Children's musical play.
Refreshments will be served in the Social Hall following
the presentation.***

***You will not want to miss either one of these programs so
please make your plans accordingly.***

Rev. David Unkles, Pastor
Melinda Hall, Children's Ministry Coordinator
Judy Wells, Administrative Assistant

Dr. Ennis Bragg, Choir Director
Connie Terwilliger, Music Director

Swainsboro First United Methodist Church
Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

Broadcast over WXRS 100.5 FM

Welcome and Greetings

Invocation

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Sky Ware & Family

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Prayer Chorus

Seek Ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia

Offertory

Still, Still, Still

arr. Mark Hayes

*Doxology

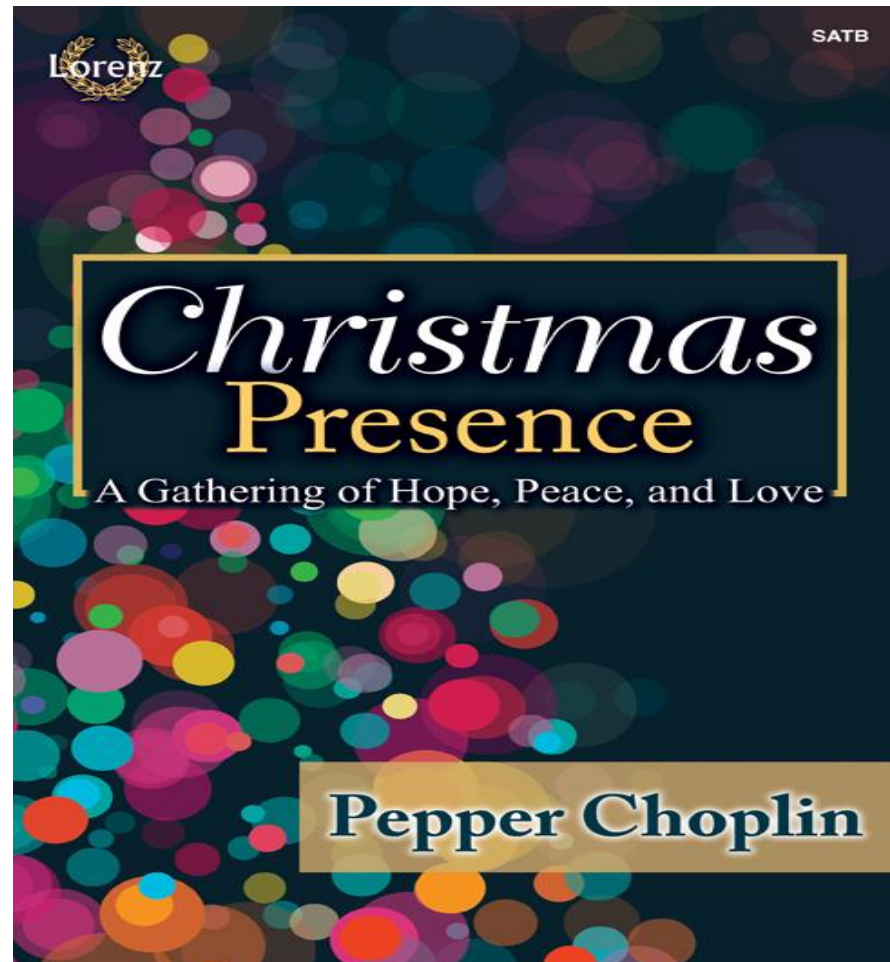
UMH 62 Stanza 7

Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness,
O praise ye! Alleluia!
Praise, Praise the Father, Praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise ye! O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Chancel Choir Cantata

"Christmas Presence"
A Gathering of Hope, Peace, and Love

*Benediction



**Please stand as you are able.*

***Our chancel rail is open for prayer.*

Nursery: 9:00 a.m. No Service, 10:00 a.m. Melinda Hall, 11:00 a.m. Kim Hooks

Ushers: Zac Frye, Captain, Rodney Beckworth, Sidney Lanier, Bill McWhorter, Jim Williams, Chuck Wofford.

We wish to extend our appreciation to Frank and Teah Canady for their donation of the beautiful Sanctuary Christmas Tree.

Wednesday, December 19th we will have a Family Christmas Caroling Party. We will come together at the church at 5:15 p.m. and leave to visit our shut-ins and return to the church for a Pizza Party.

(We have 110 Poinsettias donated to adorn our already beautiful Sanctuary. The list of donors and recipients will be in the bulletin next week December 23rd.)

This Week's Scripture Verses

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Isaiah 12:2-6

Philippians 4:4-7

Luke 3:7-18

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Church Members:

Mary Rose Brown, Patti Cowart, , Myra Downer, Charles & Jackie Drake, Mary & Ralph Foskey, Vernon Hardy, Sybil Lamb, Bonnie Lanier, Catherine Mattox, Richard Peacock, David Price, Ted Stockholm, Danny Tapley, Annette Thompson, Phil Thompson.

Extended Church Family:

Wayne Carter, Patricia Coleman, Ada Lee Correll, Brandon Dickins (Cathy McDaniel's nephew), Lynne Drake (Jackie & Charles daughter-in-law), Frances & Louie Dryden, Bill Edenfield (Smith Edenfield's brother), Teah Fennell, Jan Hemphill (Mary & Ralph Foskey's daughter), Charles Lanier, Martha Jane & Al Lawson, Buddy Lockhart, Leah H. Maile (Jean Hunnicutt's daughter), Shirley McNeely, Joan Neil (Bob Neil's Mother), Charlotte Parrish, Mary Ann Pearce, Joe Peebles (Connie's brother), Faye & John Rountree, Michelle Scott, Gene & Gretta Simmons, Charlotte Sowell (Jackie Drake's sister), Kal Thompson, Ned Waller, Eloise Wood (B. J. Williams Mother), Andy Worthington.

Military Family: CMDR. Michael D. Heltzel, (the Drake's Grandson)

The 2019 Flower Calendar is now ready in the Church Office for you to select a date to place flowers in our Sanctuary in honor or memory of someone special. The flowers on Sunday add so much beauty to our church service we would appreciate your participation.