

**This Week's Schedule**  
**4th Sunday of Advent**

**Sunday, December 22nd**

9:00 a.m. - Early Service  
 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service

**5:30 p.m. - Youth Fellowship**  
**Christmas Party**

6:00 p.m. - Evening Service singing  
 "Christmas Carols"

**Monday, December 23rd**

7:00 a.m. - Prayer Group

**Tuesday, December 24th**

**6:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve Candle**  
**Light and Communion Service**  
 (CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED)

**Wednesday, December 25th**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**Saturday, December 28th**

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

**YOUTH NEWS!!!!!!**

Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m.  
 Sunday Night 5:30 p.m. w/dinner  
 Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. dinner  
 at 6:30 p.m. at the church.  
**Sunday, December 22nd, the**  
**youth will have their Christmas**  
**Party.**

The Youth Program is needing  
 Chaperones / Adult Leaders  
 Contact info:  
 Joseph Gomez (478-331-8498)  
 jmgomez.ministry@gmail.com

Access the church calendar  
 from your mobile device.



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**F. Y. I.**

**No 5th Sunday joint service with**  
**First Baptist Church this**  
**month.**

**Wednesday evening activities**  
**will not resume until**  
**January 8, 2020**

**The Church Office will be**  
**closed Tuesday, December 24th,**  
**and Christmas Day. We will**  
**also Close New Years Day.**

**When making your Christmas**  
**Gift List please remember our**  
**Church Cookbooks for \$15.00.**  
**You make pick them up in the**  
**church office**

**The 2020 Flower Calendar has**  
**arrived please take the time to**  
**select your special date to place**  
**flowers in our sanctuary for the**  
**coming year.**

*The November / December issue*  
*of the Upper Room is now*  
*available on the bookcase by the*  
*Trinity Sunday School Classroom.*



**The Children's**  
**News**

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School  
 11:00 a.m.—Children's Church

**Kids for Christ Clubs**

Send a text to 81010 with the  
 message @sfumckids  
 Kids for Christ News and Events.

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**Last Sunday's Attendance**

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Sunday School             | 57  |
| 9:00 a.m. No Service      |     |
| 11:00 a.m. Worship        | 164 |
| 6:00 p.m. Evening Service | 15  |
| Total Worship             | 179 |

**Last Sunday's Gifts**

|                      |              |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Weekly Budget        | \$ 9241.00   |
| Received for Budget  | \$ 5885.00   |
| Amount (Under)       | \$ 3356.00   |
| YTD Budget           | \$ 462050.00 |
| YTD Rec'd for Budget | \$ 447986.15 |
| Amount over (Under)  | \$ 14063.85  |
| Received for Budget  | \$ 5885.00   |
| Designated Giving    | \$ 2826.00   |
| This Week's Giving   | \$ 8711.00   |

**"Birthday of the King" mission**  
**offering to date: \$ 12715.00**



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*Love - an intense felling of deep affection for a*  
*person*

*Oh the love Mary and Joseph must have felt for*  
*Baby Jesus in that stable is the same love we*  
*must have in our hearts today for Jesus Christ*  
*our Lord and Savior .*

Rev. David Unkles, Pastor  
 Dr. Ennis Bragg, Choir Director

Joseph Gomez Associate Minister / Youth  
 Connie Terwilliger, Music Director  
 Melinda Hall, Children's Ministry Coordinator  
 Judy Wells, Administrative Assistant

Swainsboro First United Methodist Church  
4th Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2019

Broadcast over WXRS 100.5 FM

Introit Lead Me Lord UMH 473

Prelude While Shepherds Watch George Blake

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us prepare our hearts  
as we await the coming of our Lord,  
**Let us watch for the one who hears our cries  
and lifts up the fallen of the world,**  
Let us anticipate the coming of Christ's eternal world  
with wholeness, holiness and hope for all.  
**Let us wait in expectation for the day  
when God's glory is revealed in all its fullness.**

Invocation

Lighting the Advent Candle Joseph & Julie Gomez

\*Opening Hymn Fairest Lord Jesus UMH 189

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH 881

\*Gloria Patri

Passing of the Peace

\*Gathering Chorus I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God,  
I've been washed in the fountain,  
Cleansed by His blood!  
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod.  
For I'm part of the family,  
The Family of God.

Children's Moment Melinda Hall

\*Morning Hymn Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming UMH 216

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 Son of God 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!

Anthem

\*Scripture Matthew 1:18-25

Message "The stuff that dreams are made of"

\*Invitation Hymn My Hope Is Built UMH 368

\*Benediction

\*Choral Amen

Postlude Grand Epilogue Edward Broughton

*\*Please stand as you are able. \*\*Our chancel rail is open for prayer.*

Nursery: 9:00 a.m. Jessica Barber 10:00 a.m. Melinda Hall 11:00 a.m. Agatha McRae  
Ushers: Zac Frye, Captain, Rodney Beckworth, Will Donaldson, Bill McWhorter, Jim Williams,  
Chuck Wofford

**The Bud Vase on the Altar this morning is to honor the 49th Anniversary of  
Dess and Ginny Smith. It is given by their Children, Grandchildren and Great  
Grandchildren.**

**We wish to thank Frank and Teah Canady for the donation of our beautiful  
Christmas Tree in the Sanctuary. Thanks also to the Altar Guild for  
decorating it so beautifully as well as the entire Sanctuary.**

This Week's Scripture Verses

Isaiah 7:10-16  
Psalm 80:1-7,17-19 (UMH 801)  
Romans 1:1-7  
Matthew 1:18-25

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

**Church Members:**

Lei Bragg, Mary Rose Brown, Charles Drake,  
Chesley Flanders, Jr., Mary & Ralph Foskey,  
Vernon Hardy, Bonnie Lanier, Catherine  
Mattox, Richard Peacock, Bill Rogers, Phil  
Thompson, B. J. Williams

**Extended Church Family:**

Kelsey Adams, Patricia Coleman, Brandon  
Dickens (Cathy McDaniel's nephew), Lynn  
Drake (Charles Drake's daughter-in-law),  
Frances Dryden, Kevin Edenfield, Teah Fennell,  
Don & Stephanie Flanders, Georganne Hairr  
(Kim Hooks' mother) R. L. Marshall (Kay  
Peacock's brother), Ken McGee (Sharon  
Edenfield's father), Shirley McNeely, Adaline  
Miller (infant daughter of Elise & Rev. Mark  
Miller of Calvary), Rhett Mixon (Melinda's  
son), Art & Joan Neil (Bob Neil's parents),  
Mitch Proctor, Don Rainwater, Vaughn Riner,  
Faye & John Rountree, Michelle Scott, Keith &  
Kal Thompson, Eloise Wood (B. J. Williams  
mother)

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

***We want to say a great big  
"THANK YOU" to Paulette  
Terwilliger and Teah Canady  
for creating our float entry  
in the Downtown Christmas  
Parade. They spent a tre-  
mendous amount of time  
from the conception of the  
idea to walking alongside in  
the parade. Thanks also to all  
their little elves who helped.***