

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

Sunday, December 19th, 2021

9:00 a.m. - Early Worship Service
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service
5:00 p.m. - **NO** Youth Fellowship
5:00 p.m. - **NO** Evening Service

Wednesday, December 22nd, 2021

**NO REGULAR
ACTIVITIES**

Thursday, December 23rd, 2021

**CHURCH OFFICE
CLOSES AT 2:00 p.m.**

Friday, December 24th, 2021

**6:00 p.m. - Christmas
Eve Candlelight and
Communion Service**

Saturday, December 25th, 2021

MERRY CHRISTMAS

YOUTH NEWS!!!!!!

Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m. in
The Youth Room

**The Youth Christmas Party
will be Sun., Dec. 19th,
3:30 p.m. in the Social Hall.
We will have Domino's
Pizza and a gift exchange.
Come join the fun.**

Access the church calendar
from your mobile device.



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F. Y. I.

**Our Wednesday Evening
Activities have been eliminated
until Wednesday, January 12th,
due to school holidays.**

**The Church Office will close
Thursday, December 23rd, at
2:00 p.m. and remain closed
until Monday, December 27th.**

**Friday, December 24th, we will
have our traditional Christmas
Eve Candlelight and
Communion Service beginning
at 6:00 p.m.**

**On Sunday, December 26th, we
will have **NO** 9:00 a.m. Early
Service or 10:00 a.m. Sunday
School only the 11:00 a.m.
Worship Service, **NO** Youth
Fellowship or Evening Service.**

*The November / December issue of
the Upper Room is now available in
the hallway by the Church Office.
Please come and pick up your copy.*



**The Children's
News**

**Be sure to join First
United Methodist Church or
Swainsboro Childrens Ministry
Facebook group for videos,
games and all the latest
information.**

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STREET, SWAINSBORO, GEORGIA 30401.

Last Sunday's Attendance

Sunday School	48
9:00 a.m. NO Early Service	
11:00 a.m. Worship	144
6:00 p.m. B. O. K. Service	202
Total Worship	346

Last Sunday's Gifts

Weekly Budget	\$ 9544.00
Received for Budget	\$ 8790.00
Amount (Under)	\$ 754.00
YTD Budget	\$ 477200.00
YTD Rec'd for Budget	\$ 451498.66
Amount over (Under)	\$ 25701.34
Received for Budget	\$ 8790.00
Designated Giving	\$ 7555.87
This Week's Giving	\$ 16345.87
"B. O. K." Offering	\$ 6573.00

**Donations left at the altar rail on
Communion Sunday go to the Golden
Harvest Food Bank.**



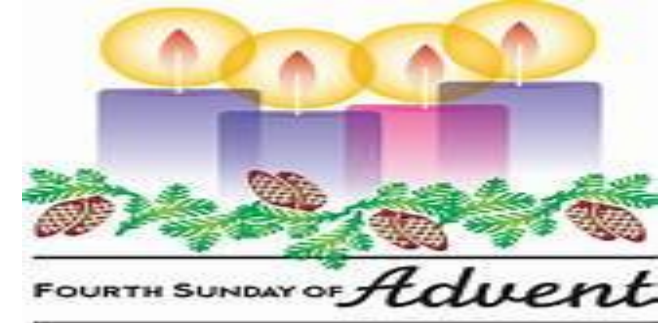
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*The Candle Of
LOVE*

Rev. David Unkles, Pastor
Dr. Ennis Bragg, Choir Director
Melinda Hall, Children's Ministry Coordinator

Casey Webb Youth Director
Connie Terwilliger, Music Director
Judy Wells, Administrative Assistant

Swainsboro First United Methodist Church
Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021

Broadcast over WXRS 100.5 FM

Prelude Angels We Have Heard on High
Piano / Organ duet: Ansley Frye, pianist

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in.

A voice cries out:
“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.”

Sing and rejoice, O daughter Zion!
For lo, I will come and dwell in your midst, says the Lord.

Many nations shall join themselves to the Lord in that day,
and shall be My people; and I will dwell in your midst.

Invocation

Lighting of the Advent Candle of Love The Daniel Family

***Opening Hymn** It Came Upon the Midnight Clear UMH 218

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed UMH 881

***Gloria Patri**

Passing of the Peace

***Gathering Chorus** We Have Come into His House

Children's Moment

***Morning Hymn** O Little Town of Bethlehem UMH 230

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

“Plate-less” Offering

***Doxology** UMH 94

Anthem

***Scripture Reading** Luke 1:39-45

Sermon “When the Holy Spirit says, ‘Yay !”

***Invitation Hymn** My Faith Looks Up to Thee UMH 452

***Benediction**

Postlude There Were Shepherds Gilbert M. Martin

*Please stand as you are able.

**Our chancel rail is open for prayer.

*Nursery: 9:00 a.m. Whitney Wheeler 10:00 a.m. Melinda Hall 11:00 a.m. Fay Flanders
Ushers: Frank Canady, Paul McDaniel, Richard McNeely, Bob Neil,
Cliff Smith, Phil Tatum*

Our flowers this morning are the beautiful **Poinsettias** that have been purchased by members and friends of our church.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Wess (Mary) Mason who welcomed home a new daughter Laurie James Mason on December 8, 2021. The proud grandparents are Mr & Mrs. Paul McDaniel and Mr. & Mrs. Tim Mason, both of Swainsboro. Laurie James was welcomed home by big brother Caleb.

This Week's Scripture Verses

Micah 5:2-5a
Luke 1:46b-55 (UMH 199)
Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 1:39-45

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Church Members:

Cherry Curry, Chesley Flanders Jr., Nancy Flanders, Mary Foskey, Vernon Hardy, Richard Smith, Wilder Smith, Phil Thompson, Joe Ware, Virgil Wells

Extended Church Family:

Hailey Holden Allen, Tyler Bates, Pat & Wade Bedingfield, Buddy Bonds (Lori Bonds Mother-in-law), Frank & Rhunette Brinson, Susie Bryant, Don Canady, Lee Canady, Patricia Coleman, Marion Cuttino, Sam Daniels, Brandon Dickens (Cathy McDaniel's nephew), Evelyn Doss, Frances Dryden, Kevin Edenfield, Judy Fennell (Milton Gray's sister), Helen & Tom Graves (Carolyn Derden's bother & sister), Georganne Hairr (Kim Hooks' mother), Harriett Hicks, Billy Holder, Rex Holt, Zade Scarboro Hullander, Phyllis Hutcheson (Karol Key's mother), Kay Johnson, Barbara Jones, Fay Key, Kaylan Lamb (Terry and Tanya Lamb's granddaughter), R. L. Marshall (Kay Peacock's brother), Deborah Martin, Ken McGee (Sharon Edenfield's father), Billy McNeely, Sandy Moody, Art & Joan Neil (Bob Neil's parents), Tim Palmer, Marty Payne (Teresa Mason's brother), Clark Petersen (Brother-in-law of Kathy Palmer), Mitch Proctor, Vaughn Riner, Jack Sutton, Lynda Talmadge, Wes Terry, Keith & Kal Thompson, Roy Thompson, Frances & Lee Vaitha, Anne Wilkes, LeaAnn Williams

(PLEASE CHECK THE PRAYER LIST TO SEE IF THERE IS ANYONE THAT CAN BE REMOVED)

The 2022 Flower Calendar is posted outside the Library. Be sure you sign in early so you can get your special date.