

**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**December 4, 2011**  
**9:00am & 11:00am Service of Worship**  
*Second Sunday of Advent*

WELCOME — ANNOUNCEMENTS — OPENING PRAYER

*\*\* 11:00am Service*

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel;  
God with us, revealed in us;  
His name is called Emmanuel.*

**\*\*MOMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN**

PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*As the prelude begins we honor the offerings of our musicians as we  
prepare our hearts and minds for worship with our prayerful silence*

HYMN OF PRAISE

***“Angels We Have Heard On High”***

***UMH # 238***

**\*\*LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH**      ***“Peace”***

***Jay & Lori Moss & family***

Leader: The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

**People: By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us.**

Leader: God will give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

**\*\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

**Heavenly Father, we enter your presence this morning, not because we have done anything worthy of your acceptance, but because you have made us acceptable through the gift of your Son. May Christ’s light shine *once again* in our lives, showing us the path of *peace* between God and all people. Give us the courage to walk the path every day. AMEN.**

MORNING PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

HYMN OF DEDICATION

***“There’s A Song In the Air”***

***UMH # 249***

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

**\*\*Offertory**

***“Carols Suite”***

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

**Mark 4:1-2**

SERMON

***“Java With John”***

**R. Allen Stewart**

*Senior Pastor*

HYMN OF INVITATION

***“I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light”***

***UMH # 206***

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**\*\*11:00am Service**



**The Poinsettia in the Narthex**

*Is placed to the glory of God and honor of Derek, Evan & Colin Glasco  
with love and appreciation by their mother, Lynne Glasco.*



**Infant Baptism**

Tim and Laura Lasseter present their daughter, Charlotte Rose, to be baptized at the 10:00AM service today. Charlotte’s proud big sister is Annie. Her paternal grandparents are Danny & Peggy Rowe and Dan & Beth Lasseter. Paternal great-grandparents are the late Charlie & Betty Devon and the late Mickey & Virginia West. Maternal grandparents are Steve & Cathy Willis and Terry & Marie Dawson. Maternal great-grandparents are Les & Doris Goodwin and Russell & Dot Willis.



**All alone?** Don’t be. God doesn’t want us to be all alone. He wants us to turn to others when things are bothering us. **Stephen Ministers** will walk with you through your troubles and be there for you when you need them. For more information call Allen or Dell at the church 706 376-3164.

**Stephen Ministry**

**A Ministry of Christ caring for people through people.**

***“Let us not love with words, but with actions and in truth.” 1 John 3:18***

## Our Prayer Ministry

*"The Lord has heard my supplication; the Lord will receive my prayer." Psalm 6:9*

**Prayer Needs:** Joe Gibson, Linda Marsh, Rev. Dean Kring, Jim Dennis, Caren Rice, Kathy Snyder, Stephen Ministry Care Receivers, Unspoken Request

**Other Prayer Needs:** Fran Moscardelli—Brother-in-law of John & Carol Milner; Jackie Stewart, Robin Strand & Lila Paulk—Friends & Aunt of Scott & Laurel Farmer; Kathryn Harrison—Friend of Cindy Truesdale; Barbara Cauthen—Mother of Randy Cauthen; Patsy Creecy—Family of Meridy Wright; Gwen Aaron(former member); Lorraine Hetrick—Mother of Sheri Franko; Sandie Blaylock—Friend of Joan Hughes; Emily Brookins—Daughter of Steve & Amy Lloyd; Rev. Clifford Spencer—Brother of Rev. Fred Spencer; Burchell Martin—Father of David Martin; Jackie Seagraves—Mother of Sheri Gordon; Carter Daniel—Brother of Randy Daniel

**Brown Convalescent Ctr**—Helen Thornton

**Hart Care**—Elinor Bond, Clara Teasley

**Hartwell Health Care Ctr**—Gladys Woody, Rachel Chapman, Amy Phillips

**Lake Point**—Joe Seawright, Hazel Newberry, Myra Dunning, John Peppers, Roger Dennis, Mary Cunningham

**Gables**—Helen Leonard, Bob & Dee Glenn

**Homebound**—Stan Shaw, Maryleene Basinger, Fred Sokol, Thelma Norment, Nina Wilson, Petty Chapman, Mary Madden, Joe & Doris Gibson, Kathryn Frye, Jean Condict, Helen Stanifer

**Church Family in Military**—Ben DeWitt—Son of Lynne Adams; Keith David & Chris David—Sons of Dale & Cindie David; Karl Lindquist—Son of Bob & Norma Lindquist; Trav George—Grandson of Travis George; Josh Black—Brother of Joel Black; Caitlin Whittington (Libya)—Granddaughter of Dottie Sisson; James Goddard (Afg.)—Husband of Jennifer Vickery Goddard; Edward A. Stoots, Jr (Afg.)—Son-in-law of Barbara & Ed Weaver; Sonny Chavis (Afg.) & Matt Chavis—Grandsons of Myrt & Charlie Higgins; Trevor League (AFG.), Alan League (Italy), Tristan League—Relatives of Nancy League; Sgt. Michael Swenson(Afg.)—Grandson of Rev. Barbara & Rev. Joe Stiles; Terri Duenas (Afg.)—Cousin of Stephen Giddings

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### **Christian Sympathy**

*We extend our sincere Christian love and sympathy to Jill Brown & family  
in the death of her mother, Arline Lumpkin.*



## Hartwell First United Methodist Church

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*The mission of Hartwell First United Methodist Church  
is to be a community of faith through which all persons can come to know Jesus Christ, accept His  
saving grace, and become faithful disciples, witnessing to God's love in the world.*

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**VOLUNTEERS FOR THE WEEK**

**NURSERY:** Linda Manning & Carole Acosta

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Mike & Jennifer O'Barr

**ACOLYTE:** Ayers Honiotes & Lauren Robinson

**USHERS:** David Turner, Ronny Weaver, Melinda Loggins

**CARE GROUP:** #3 Sara & Allen Lesseur, Mary Anne Huggins, Bob & Dixie Lewis

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK**

9:00 Worship—83    10:00 Worship—121    11:00 Worship—151  
Sunday Classes—133

**UNIFIED BUDGET 11/20 11/27 To Date**

Received            \$ 13,345    \$ 14, 883    \$585,979    Opening Doors 2011 Receipts: \$ 172,338  
Needed Weekly            \$ 13,070    \$627,360    Loan Amount to Date:            \$ 1,168,639

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND SERVICE**

**Monday, December 5**

1:30pm Page Wesley Group-AR  
5:00pm Bible Study-Library

**Wednesday, December 7**

9:30am Pre School Chapel-Allen  
10:00am Staff Meeting-Library  
11:30am Sojourner's Christmas Lunch-FH  
1:00pm Prayer Group-Library  
5:30pm Family Night Supper  
6:00pm Program-Advent Study

**Tuesday, December 6**

10am/6pm Ladies Bible Study-Lib.  
7:30pm May Lily McCurry Gr-Cateechee

**Thursday, December 8**

7:00am Men's Prayer Group-Bojangles  
8:00am Men's Prayer Group-Bojangles  
12 Noon Sunshine Club-FH  
6:30pm YAM-Gym  
7:00pm Cancer Support Group-Lib.

**Friday, December 9**

4:30pm Sojourners to Red Shutter

**Church Basketball Schedule**

**Mon. Dec 5 @ First Methodist**— 6pm-G1vsCS; 6:45-B1vsSA; 7:30-B2BvsSA; 8:15-B3vsCC  
**@ The Way**—6:45-B2AvsTW  
**Tues. Dec 6 @ Flat Shoals**— 6:45-B2AvsFS; **@ First Baptist**—8:15-B4vsFB  
**Thurs. Dec 8 @Cornerstone**—6:00-G2vs CS; 6:45-B2BvsCS

**FNS Wednesday, December 7th— 5:30pm Fellowship Hall**

**Menu: Chicken Pot Pie—Program: Advent Study**

Dr. R. Allen Stewart will continue our Advent Series *Java with John*. His approach to these "conversations with John the Baptist" will be intriguing. Hopefully, they will provide you with insights that will enrich your advent experience with Christ this Christmas. Join us on Wednesdays & Sundays.

Please be sure to fill out the yellow reservation card. Cards are located in the pew racks and on the tables around the church. Place them in the offering plates or in the FNS boxes in the Contemporary Worship. If you are not here the Sunday preceding FNS, please call the church office on Monday. Please put the number of Children, Youth, & Adults that will be eating. There is a \$15.00 family limit, but these should be family living within your household.



**"We are Thankful" Shopping Day  
Wednesday, Dec. 7th**

We will meet at Walmart at 4:30. We have lots of kids to buy for — parents are needed to help. After we finish, we will come back to church... adults will wrap and kids can watch a movie.

If you would like to make a donation, any help is appreciated.

**Christmas Caroling  
Tues., Dec. 20th...  
9:30—11:30**

We'll visit Lake Pointe and visit our shut-ins. Join us as we deliver Christmas cards, sing carols, and brighten days.



**Children's Church Volunteers Needed:** All material is provided and the kids are great. If you are interested, please contact Emily Davis at [davis.em@gmail.com](mailto:davis.em@gmail.com) or call the church office.

✝ "Train a child in the way he should go. When he is old, he will not turn away from it." Proverbs 22:6 ✝

**STAND**

**YOUTH MINISTRIES**



**Christmas Party**  
**Wed. Dec 14th**  
**Caroling**  
**Thur. Dec 15th**  
**MS LOCK-IN**  
**Fri. Dec 16th**  
**HoHoHo...**  
**Details coming!**

**Today, Sunday**—Choir Cantata  
7pm-Sanctuary—Ben will be in the choir  
**Wed. Dec. 7th**—MS youth 6:05-7:30 in the gym (Carter's droppin' names)  
**Sunday, Dec. 11th**— HS youth 6:05-7:30 in the gym

**-Ben's called the ski resort;  
are you ready to go?!  
-HS movie night Dec. 18th**

**Bible Study Every Tuesday  
With Ben  
7:30 PM @ the DQ  
(Drake built this city)  
Everyone's invited!**



**YAM**

**Young Adult Ministries  
Come Join us Thursdays  
6:30-8:30pm  
Gym**

## Sojourners News

The Sojourners Christmas Lunch will be this Wednesday, December 7th at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Allen and Ben will be presenting the program. Be sure to bring your unwrapped present for the UM Children's Home in Decatur, GA.

The Sojourners will be going to the "Red Shutter" in Iva, SC on Friday, December 9th. The bus will leave at 4:30pm. Contact Jane Neil (706-376-2442) by Tuesday, December 6 to make your reservation.



CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR THE MILITARY

### Military Addresses Needed

Last call for Military addresses to be turned into the office. Please call or email the names and addresses to dellskelton1@yahoo.com. We will have the addresses available to anyone wishing to send special Christmas greetings on Monday. Christmas is a hard time to be away from loved ones, so we would like to let them know we are thinking of them and appreciate their sacrifices



### 2nd Helping Dinner

*"Whose Neighbor Will You be?"*

The Dinner is planned for Thursday, December 15th from 4:30-7:00pm in the gym. Haleigh Lewis is heading this up again this year.

The goal is to bring people in the community together in fellowship & to share a hot meal. Church members will be asked to help with donations. More info will be in the bulletins or call the church office.

### CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Has your life been touched by cancer? Perhaps yourself, a family member, co-worker or friend? Every person's experience with this dreaded disease is different but we all hold a common thread... We ALL need love and support. Please join our group on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00p.m. in our Church Library. The next meeting will be Thursday, December 8th. This support group is open to everyone in the community and ALL are welcome to attend. Joanne and Jim DeWeerth are facilitating the group. If you have any questions you may email them at hfumc.csg@gmail.com or call the church office at 706-376-3164.



Cancer Support Group

 HFUMC held a Blood Drive the week of Thanksgiving. We had 30 units of blood given. Thanks to all that helped out. Our next Blood Drive will be in January 2012.

### Christmas Day Worship Service

Christmas Day falls on Sunday this year, which will change our worship schedule and make our service more meaningful and special.

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00am for coffee and cookies.

(If you have extra cookies or Christmas goodies, please feel free to bring them and share.)

The Worship Service will begin at 10:30am in the Sanctuary.

On Sunday, January 1st we will have our regular 3 services at 9, 10 & 11am.

### Christmas Gifts & Remembrances 2011/Missions Instead of Poinsettias

It is time to make your donation to Missions instead of Poinsettias. The purple forms are on the back tables and available in the church office. Deadline to have your loved one honored or remembered is Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>. Special bulletin with names will be inserted on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>.

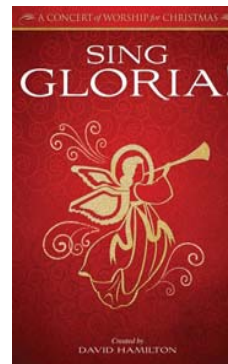


### *UMW Christmas Dinner*

*Monday, December 12, 2011 6:00pm*

*Fellowship Hall \$12.00 per person*

*Please see Dell in the Church office to make your reservation. Deadline for reservation and dinner cost is due by Monday, December 5th.*



### HFUMC Chancel Choir & Orchestra

Christmas Cantata tonight at 7:00pm

in the Sanctuary.

Every year the choir does such a wonderful job, we are looking forward to the Cantata this year titled, *Sing Gloria*. "Love has stepped across our sky from the other side. God came near to us. He is here with us. The Father reaches out His hand to every child and man. Make it known: we are not alone. Like a tiny flame fanned by a winter wind, hope is born again." Our Chancel Choir Cantatas are more than a choir singing, they are a glorious message from God through song and instrumental music. Come receive the gift of our Father through the gifts of those bringing us the special cantata this year.

### Children's Christmas Musical

The Children's Musical will be Wednesday, December 14th at 6:00pm. They will be performing "The Great Christmas Giveaway." We have heard it said that "The greatest Christmas gifts are not always found under the tree..." Come and enjoy what our children will be giving to us through this special Christmas Musical...and may it remind us of how blessed we are with what God has given to us.



### A Celtic Christmas with Carroll Brown & Harry O'Donoghue

Sunday, December 11, 2011 6:00pm Sanctuary

(Because of a scheduling conflict Mr. Brown changed the date to Dec. 11th)

We have truly enjoyed having Carroll & Harry with us for several years now. Their music is wonderful and blended with Irish wit and humor that will get you into the Christmas spirit. This will be a great evening!!