

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

January 8, 2012

9:00 & 11:00 Service of Worship

*First Sunday after Epiphany
Baptism of the Lord*

WELCOME – ANNOUNCEMENTS – OPENING PRAYER

*Holy Spirit, Thou are welcome in this place,
Holy Spirit, Thou are welcome in this place,
Omnipotent Father of mercy and grace,
Thou art welcome in this place.*

*MOMENTS WITH 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

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Cokesbury # 170

**UMH # 189*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be World without end. Amen! Amen!

MORNING PRAYER/THE 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

*“Holy Spirit, Truth Divine”
“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”*

Cokesbury # 20

**UMH # 334*

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

(Please Pass Pew Registration Booklets)

*Offertory Anthem

“Ancient Words”

DOXOLOGY

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

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1: 4-11

SERMON

“The Baptism of Jesus”

Dr. R. Allen Stewart

Senior Pastor

HYMN OF INVITATION

“Close To Thee”

Cokesbury # 189

“Spirit Song”

***UMH # 347**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**11:00am Service*

Our Prayer Ministry

“Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. .” II Timothy 2:1

Prayer Needs: Linda Marsh, Rev. Dean & Jean Kring, Jim Dennis, Caren Rice, Ray Haywood, James Herring, Harvey DeVoe, Jack Graham, Stephen Ministry Care Receivers, Unspoken Request

Other Prayer Needs: Fran Moscardelli—Brother-in-law of John & Carol Milner; Ruby McCoy—Relative of Sheila Fowler; Andrew Ethridge—Son of Dr. Glen Ethridge; Sandie Blaylock—Friend of Joan Hughes; Cliff Morris (Afg.)—Husband of Andi S. Morris; Rev. Ann Marie Montgomery—Friend of Dell Skelton; Emily Brookins—Daughter of Steve & Amy Lloyd; Brenda Vickery—Mother of Missey Hampe; Harmon Thrift—Father of Dale Thrift; Jenelle Fleming—Mother of Bobby Fleming; Pat McCollum; Kirsten Blomberg—Daughter of Doug Blomberg

Brown Convalescent Ctr—Helen Thornton

Hart Care—Elinor Bond, Clara Teasley, Roger Dennis

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

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

Gables—Helen Leonard, Bob & Dee Glenn

Homebound—Stan Shaw, Maryleene Basinger, Fred Sokol, Thelma Norment, Nina Wilson, Mary Madden, Kathryn Frye, Jean Condict, Helen Stanifer

Church Family in Military—Ben DeWitt—Son of Lynne Adams; Keith David & Chris David (Afg.)—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; CW05 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

Volunteers for the Week
Nursery: Lillian Wysong, Marijean Holland
Children's Church: Emily Davis
Acolyte: Morgan Beasley, Gloria Haywood
Ushers: Randy Daniel, Dale Thrift, Robby Thrift, Terry Walker
Care Group: #5 Al & Brenda Iseley, Linda & Don Potratz

Attendance Last Week

9:00am Service—71; 10:00am Service—82; 11:00am Service—112; Sunday School—82

Unified Budget 1/01 To Date

Received	\$ 12,528	\$ 12,528	Opening Doors 2011 Receipts: \$	1,355
Needed Weekly	\$ 13,070	\$ 13,070	Loan Amount to Date:	\$ 1,116,176

End of Year Report for 2011:

12/31/2011 Received: \$ 659,137.73 Open Doors for 2011: \$ 214,138.17

Opportunities for Worship and Service

Monday, January 9

5:00pm Bible Study-Lib

Tuesday, January 10

10am/6pm Ladies Bible Study-Lib.

Thursday, January 12

7:00am Men's Prayer Group-Bojangles

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9:00am Mission Study-Lib.

5:30pm O'Neal Perry Group-FH

7:00pm Cancer Support Group-Lib.

8:15am Sojourners leave to go to Bleckley Inn

Wednesday, January 11

10:00am Staff Meeting-Lib.

1:30pm Prayer Group-Lib.

4:30pm Children Bible Study

4:30pm Youth Bible Study-Lib.

5:30pm Family Night Supper-FH

6:00pm Children WNW

6:05pm MS Youth-Gym

7:00pm Choir Practice

Sunday, January 15- 6:00pm-HS Youth-Gym

Christian Sympathy

*We extend our sincere Christian love and sympathy to the family of
 Reverend Dave Sargent, in his death on December 29, 2011.*



Family Night Supper for January 11th—Menu: Poppy Seed Chicken

We are delighted to have with us Jennifer Clements, who played the part of Patsy Cline in a recent Savannah River Productions. Jennifer will be sharing her musical talents with us. This will be a heart warming and enjoyable program. FNS Programs Jan. 18th-Feb. 8th...Dr. Stewart will do a four part study on Charles Wesley. Please fill out the yellow Reservation cards and place in the offering plates.

*The Congregation of Hartwell First received the following invitation after the newsletter had been printed:
 First Baptist Church of Hartwell cordially invites you to join us in reception honoring
 Reverend and Mrs. Carter Tucker
 For their dedication & service in Christian Ministry
 Sunday, January 15, 2012 2-4pm FBC Fellowship Hall*

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



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**The
 Baptism
 of
 Jesus**

Mark 1: 4-11

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

*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.*