

UPDATE from the Future Direction Committee – December 2022

The Future Direction Committee will be offering Small Groups in January. The purpose of the groups will be to present history, provide a timeline, pass on information for you to be informed, and answer any questions you might have. Everyone is invited and encouraged to sign-up for a Small Group and participate. Just a reminder, while everyone is encouraged and has the opportunity to participate in a Small Group, only members will be allowed to vote in the spring.

Small Group sign-ups will begin on Sunday, January 8th. Sign-up sheets will be available in the Gathering Area, the Church office, or by emailing hfumcfuturedirection@gmail.com. All Small Groups will be held at HFUMC and childcare will be available. There will be 14 Small Group meetings between 1/24 – 2/7.

WEBSITE RESOURCES

We encourage each person at Hartwell First UMC to seek out information and truthful resources, study, discern, and pray, so you can reach your own conclusions based on your own informed heart and mind.

Please go to our website...

www.hartfumc.com

Go to the “Resources” tab, then “Future Direction Committee”... You will find articles, videos, etc. with links to those websites. New info will be added / updated periodically.

Each member of the FDC is available and willing to meet with you to answer any questions you may have.

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REQUIREMENTS TO VOTE

Anyone who attends HFUMC is invited and encouraged to participate in Small Group meetings. Only members will be allowed in the facility during the vote, per North Georgia Conference policy.

In order to vote this spring, you MUST be a member of Hartwell First UMC to attend the Church Conference and vote.

Please check with Jennifer Allen in the church office if you are unsure of your membership status. If you are not a member and would like to be, please contact Dr. Stewart for more information.

Dec. 18th: “How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?” The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.” Luke 1:34-35

Dec. 25th: And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” Luke 2:8-12