

First United Methodist Church

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." LUKE 2:14

December 25, 2011, 10:00am
CHRISTMAS DAY

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Entrance of the Light

*The Carols of Christmas

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing UMH 240 (1,3)
The First Noel UMH 245 (1,5)
Angels We Have Heard on High UMH 238 (1,4)

A Christmas Offering

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings
Sweet Little Jesus Boy

*Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 94

Holy Scripture *Matthew 1:18 - 2:6*

The Blessing of the Toys

A Story: The Gift

*Hymn *The Birthday of A King* Screen

*Benediction

*Postlude and Carrying the Light into the World

* The Congregation is Invited to Stand

UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal

CLUB 3:16: A Blessed 2011! One year ago, no one could have imagined that our youth program would be ablaze by Christmas 2011...averaging 35-40 each week! We are grateful and give praise and glory to Almighty God for brightly lighting the way for the staff, the kids and the congregation!

Following 2011 VBS in July, we pitched the idea of getting the 9-12-year-olds together regularly. We put the all-call out and had our first meeting on July 27th with eleven kids. Over the subsequent weeks, that number soared to over thirty.

We are looking forward to the blessings and miracles that God has in store for the group in the new year. May we continue to present ourselves willing to follow His will, and may the kids and families of our CLUB 3:16 give thanks and praise!

This coming **Wednesday night (12/28): GAMES!**

Heifer International Members of the Sunday School class studying THE JOURNEY collected \$400 and were able to make a contribution to Heifer International. The *Class 4 Promise Gift Baskets*, which consist of geese, ducks, and chickens, will provide income and nutrition to struggling families. The class was also able to provide two gift packages of bees. The package provides bees, box and hive plus the training in beekeeping. *Learn more about the wonderful work of Heifer International (a United Methodist partner) at www.heifer.org.*

Chapman Condolences Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Rev. Kenneth Chapman, who passed away last Sunday, Dec 18. The funeral will be this coming Friday, Dec 30. Family members will be traveling to Eunice from all parts of the country. We will be providing lunch and dinner for them on Friday. If you are able to help by preparing food, and/or assist in the kitchen that day, please contact Shirley Jodon, 457-3910.

VISITATION: Friday, Dec 30, 11:00am-1:00pm, First United Methodist Church, Eunice
FUNERAL SERVICE: Fri, Dec 30, 1:00pm, FUMC, Eunice
BURIAL: St. Paul's Mausoleum, Eunice

ATTENDANCE Please let us know you were here this morning by completing the attendance booklets located in each pew, along the center aisle.

Poinsettias Please pick up your poinsettias after the service today.

Youth Donations 12/21 meal by Sylvia & Dave Ruppert, prepared by David Reed

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the Glory of God by The Fusilier Family. *Next week: Communion Sunday*



UPCOMING

Today Morning Worship, 10:00am (Christmas Day)
 Dec 28, Wed CLUB 3:16, 6:00-7:30pm

BIRTHDAYS NEXT WEEK Today: Jesus; Thursday: Abby Young

To You, Our Guest: We're delighted you're here! If you are simply visiting the area and are worshiping with us this morning, we hope you return again. If you are seeking a church home, we would be privileged if you chose FUMC Eunice. For more information about the church, please complete an information card (located in each pew) and place it in the offering plate.

WE PROVIDE A NURSERY during Sunday School and worship for children under the age of five. The nursery is located near the kitchen.

WiFi: The church property now has wireless internet access. Current password: **kingofkings**

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

SUNDAYS 9:30am, Sunday School
 11:00am, Morning Worship
 3:00pm, Choir Rehearsal
 WEDNESDAYS 6:00-7:30pm, CLUB 3:16 (Youth)

*Merry
 Christmas*

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**SUNDAY
 BULLETINS**

The weekly worship
 bulletin is now available
 (pdf) on our website -
 home page.