

OUR PRAYERS
Baptist, NC The Med
 Mary Stanley ICU Laurie Losorwith TICU 5

VA
 Levester Sumpter 2S-E226

And, please remember our homebound and those recovering at home.

Hospice Care
 Valerie Porterfield Bill Scott

Our Sympathy, love and prayers go out to
 ...Family & friends of Jimmy Mellard
 ...Carolyn McDougal & family in the loss of her nephew, Bill Carlisle

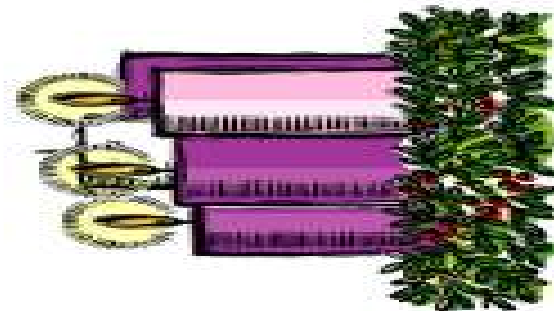
OUR PRESENCE
December 11
 Church School 54
 Worship 82
 Visitors 4

OUR GIFTS
December 11
 Total Rec'd \$ 3,802
 MTD \$ 9,395
 Apportionments TD \$ 31,296

OUR SERVICE
Assisting December 18
Greeters Frances Coffman
 Keith Coffman
Liturgist Bruce Hughes
Scripture Lisa Hughes
Children's Time
Lock-up Emmett Parrish

OUR WITNESS
 December Scripture Readers
 25 Tom Lockhart

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Gifts were given to the United Methodist Neighborhood Centers Toy Store rather than sending you a card by those listed below.

Blessings of the Season

Martha R. Allen
 Andrew Baker
 Jimmie & Diana Bedwell
 Doris Bellott
 Wilson & Courtney Bierbrodt
 Cathy & Daniel Boice
 Peggy & Jeff Brightwell
 Nell Clarke
 Frances & Keith Coffman
 Lynn Coffman
 Neil & Jean DeLong
 Tom & Kathy Earl
 Rebeca & Rick Ernst
 Ray & Carolyn Escue
 Marcelle Farrow
 Norris & Earline Gabriel
 Earl Galloway & Justin
 Fortune, Happy & Faith Gbeneneh
 Duncan & Elizabeth Godbold
 Evelyn Goddard
 Richard & Karen Hall
 Shirley Hancock
 Jimmy & Jane Hight
 Bruce, Lisa, Karl & Konrad Hughes
 Betty & Chuck Jones
 Aleda Kelly
 Mike Kelly
 Joyce Kernodle
 Wayne & Ginny Lawrence
 Jeanette Leslie
 Mark & Marsha Lewis & Dixie
 Margaret Ann Ligon
 Glenn, Renee, Christopher, Alyssa & Jackson Little



Tom & Sharon Lockhart
 Barry, Perri & Alan Mathis
 Lisa Matlock
 Kevin E. Matthews
 Carolyn McDougal
 Bill, Teresa & Scott McMullin
 Joy Mitchell
 Richard & Frances Morris
 Doris Palazzini
 Luc, Ben, Pam & Emmett Parrish
 Lou Pennington
 Warren & Tyson Petty
 Shannon Pitner
 Joyce Price
 Wayne & Elizabeth Quarles
 Betty Ray
 Mary Robbins
 Brother Paul & Barbara Scheirer
 Betty Smithmier
 Lana Solomon
 Michael, Alycia & Zachary Solomon
 Don & Matilda Speraw
 Ed & Judy Stanley
 Sue Swett
 Wanda Tabor
 Pat Tully
 Dean & Aleita Tutor
 Martha Wallace
 Phil & Audrey Weaver
 Bill Whitaker
 Terry & Margie Williamson
 Perry Wilson
 Tilford & Lorelle Woodard

SCRIPTURE FOR DEC. 18

Romans 16:25-27; II Samuel 7:1-11, 16

SERMON

"The House of the LORD"

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. 12/18	9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship
Mon. 12/19	Noon News Deadline
Tue. 12/20	No Activities
Wed. 12/21	No Activities
Thu. 12/22	10:00a Bible Study
Fri. 12/23	Offices Closed
Sat. 12/24	Christmas Eve 6:30p Communion Service
Sun. 12/25	Christmas Day Blessings 9:45a Church School 10:55a Worship
Mon. 12/26	Offices Closed in Observance of the Christmas Holiday

CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION

There's no better time than Christmas Eve to celebrate communion, with the Sanctuary beautifully decorated, the lights low and the sound of hymns being sung. Join us on Dec. 24th at 6:30 p.m.



THE UPPER ROOM

...for January/February is now available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. Pick up your copy now. Its the perfect way to start each day.

HEAR BOICE AND THE BRIARCREST BRASS

The Briarcrest Brass Ensemble will be performing on Channel 3's 'Live as 9' on Friday, Dec. 16th at 9 a.m. Our very own Daniel Boice is in this group, playing the tuba. Please tune in to hear some great Christmas music by some very talented musicians.



THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Church Family,
Barbara and I are so touched by your love and care and now, especially by your generosity. Your "surprise" love offering of \$2000 to help pay my tuition at MTS, given to us at the Harvest Dinner, was truly a surprise and is also very humbling. We shall always remember your kindness to us. May God bless and keep each of you always.

With love,
Brother Paul

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We want to thank you for your thoughts, prayers and cards sent to us after Bill's death.

With love and appreciation,
Keith & Frances Coffman

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Thanks so much for continuing to show God's love to my mother (Mavis Shettles) through visits, cards, flowers and prayers.

Love and joy,
Glori Shettles

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Thank you for your generous support of the Hannah's Hope Counseling Ministry. Through your participation in the Baby Bottles of Hope program, you have shown your commitment to ministry with women in need. I give thanks for each of you.

Rev. Trina Bell Morrison

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Thank you, Choir!
"A Great and Mighty Wonder" was great and wonderful! Thank you for your hard work and dedication to bring us this Christmas Cantata!

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A big THANKS to all who donated to the Christmas Card and to those who shopped for toys. With the \$1700 collected, we filled up 2 SUV's. The parents will be delighted and the children will be joyful. Aldersgate always has a warm heart!

ORDER CALENDARS NOW

Hurry! You may still order Aldersgate calendars by calling the church office, 683-8861. Payment may be made later. Just let us know how many you'll need at \$12 each.



UMW NEWS

Our apologies to Aleita Tutor, whose name was inadvertently left off the membership roll on page 21 in our Yearbook. Please note the following:

Aleita Tutor, 1745 Central Ave., Memphis, TN 38104-5117, 901-274-0089.

Corrected copies of page 21/22 are available in the Library. Please let us know if you find other errors.

THE JANUARY 2012 CALENDAR

...will go out Dec. 20th. Please have all January meetings, activities and events scheduled on the office calendar by Dec. 19th. Thanks!

REMEMBERING OUR HOMEBOUND

Bring a smile to the faces of our homebound friends this Christmas season. Remember them with a card or a call.

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HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Gifts have been given for:

Pew Cushions

In honor of our teachers:

Marcelle Farrow Aleda Kelly
Wayne Lawrence Margaret Ann Ligon
DL Park Paul Scheirer Lana Solomon
By The Fidelis Class

In memory of Bill Coffman

By The Fellowship Class

In memory of Becky Matlock

By Keith & Frances Coffman

Memorial Fund

In memory of Bill Coffman

By Jimmy & Jane Hight

Scholarship Fund

In memory of Bill Coffman

By Carolyn McDougal

Maintenance Fund

In memory of Bill Coffman

By Evelyn & Patty Goddard

In memory of Becky Matlock

By Terry & Margie Williamson

DOLLARS AND \$ENSE

About Donations for 2011

Please be sure to have all contributions for 2011 in the church office no later than Dec. 31 to receive credit for the current year. Any gifts received after Dec. 31 will be posted to 2012. Thank you for your help in this matter.

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Offering Envelopes

...for the coming year are available on the tables outside the Sanctuary. If you are an envelope user, you may now pick them up.

BE A GREETER IN 2012

Help everyone feel right at home when they join us for worship. A sign-up sheet is on the office window for next year. Sign up now for the month you choose.

