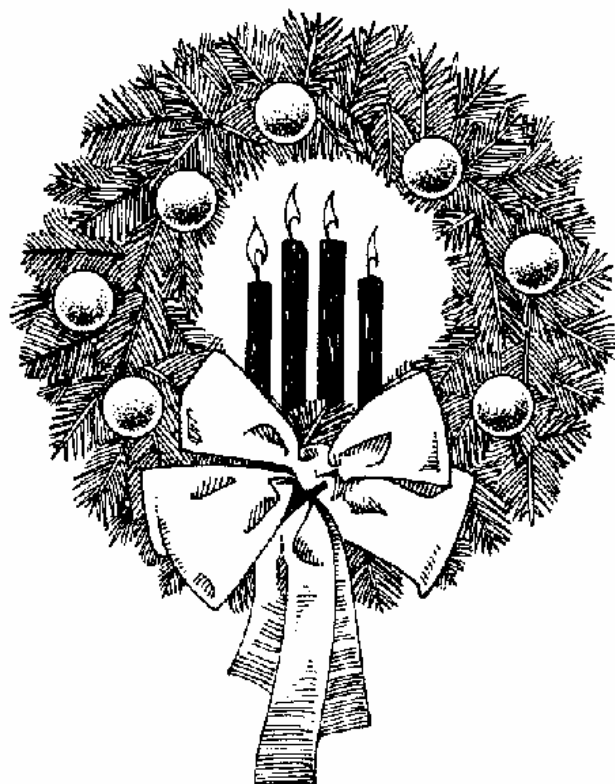


# A Service of Lessons and Carols

## The Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 19, 2010



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*The Fourth Sunday in Advent*

December 19, 2010, 10:30 A.M.

Trinity Chimes

PRELUDE: *Dancing Day*

Kuykendall

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Laura Conrad

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *Advent Song* (remain seated)

from *Sing the Faith*, #2090

**Refrain: Candle, candle, burning bright, shining in the cold winter night;  
Candle, candle, burning bright, fill our hearts with Christmas light  
Light the Advent candle, four; think of joy forever more;  
Christ child in a stable born, gift of love that Christmas morn. Repeat Refrain**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Wright Family

Prayer: God of Abraham, Ruth, David and Isaiah, grant us your vision for the world. Help us to move away from the manger of Bethlehem to our streets and villages; to move away from the Christmas tree to a Christ-less world, to share the Good News that a child is born, that God is with us and among us!

And all God's people say, **Amen.**

MUSICAL RESPONSE

*I Danced in the Morning*

JAM and Jesus Jammers

+CAROL: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

VENI EMMANUEL

**O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.  
(Refrain) Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

**O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by Thine advent here;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night and death's dark shadows put to flight. (Refrain)**

**O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind;  
Bid envy, strive, and discord cease; fill the whole world with heaven's peace. (Refrain)**

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 22:15-18

Robert Key

*God Promises to Abraham that in His Seed Shall All the Nations of the Earth be Blessed*

The angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the LORD: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice."

MUSICAL RESPONSE:

*What is This Lovely Fragrance*

Near

What is this lovely fragrance wafting like to the scents of flowers in spring! Shepherds, O tell us, whence such beauty, Hear you not heavenly caroling? Shepherds, O haste with eager footsteps seek the Saviour born today. Low at His feet we lay our treasure, heart's adoration, love for aye.

SECOND LESSON: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Harvey Hobson

*Christ's Birth and Kingdom are Foretold by Isaiah*

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

+CAROL: *Go, Tell It On The Mountain*

SPIRITUAL

**Refrain: Go, tell it on the mountain over the hills and everywhere,  
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.**

**While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night  
Behold throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. (Refrain)**

**The shepherds feared and trembled when lo! above the earth,  
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth. (Refrain)**

**Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,  
And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. (Refrain)**

*(On the last verse, 3 year olds-Kindergarten may leave THROUGH THE SIDE DOOR for extended care.  
Visitors: please accompany your child to the nursery for registration purposes.)*

THIRD LESSON: Isaiah 11:1-4, 6-9

Karen Burg

*The Peace that Christ will Bring is Foreshown*

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

MUSICAL RESPONSE:

*The Dream Isaiah Saw*

Rudolph

Lions and oxen will sleep in the hay, leopards will join with the lambs as they play, wolves will be pastured with cows in the glade, blood will not darken the earth that God made. Little child whose bed is straw, take new lodgings in my heart. Bring the dream Isaiah saw: life redeemed from fang and claw. Peace will pervade more than forest and field; God will transfigure the violence concealed deep in the heart and in systems of gain, ripe for the judgment the Lord will ordain. Little child whose bed is straw, take new lodgings in my heart. Bring the dream Isaiah saw: justice purifying law. Nature reordered to match God's intent, nations obeying the call to repent, all of creation completely restored, filled with the knowledge and love of the Lord. Little child whose bed is straw, take new lodgings in my heart. Bring the dream Isaiah saw: knowledge, wisdom, worship, awe.

FOURTH LESSON: Luke 1:26-38

Finley Wiles

*The Angel Gabriel Salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary*

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

CAROL: *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (Remain Seated)*

F. Mendelssohn, Arranged by David Willcocks

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;  
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies;

With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
**(Refrain) Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"**

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb;  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail the incarnate Deity!  
Pleased as man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel, **(Refrain)**

(Stanza 3- Congregation Please Stand)

**Hail the heaven born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings;  
Mild He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die.  
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth. (Refrain)**

FIFTH LESSON: Luke 2:1, 3-7

Kristen Smith

*The Birth of Jesus*

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

MUSICAL RESPONSE: *Born In A Manger*

Linda Lamb

Chancel Bells

CAROL: (*Remain Seated*)

*Once in Royal David's City*

IRBY, Arranged by David Willcocks

Once in Royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,  
Where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed.  
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all,  
And his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall.  
With the poor, oppressed and lowly, lived on earth our Savior holy.

(Stanza 3—Please Stand)

**Jesus is our childhood's pattern, day by day like us he grew;  
He was little, weak and helpless, tears and smiles like us he knew;  
And he feels for all our sadness, and he shares in all our gladness.**

**And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love,  
For that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above;  
And he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.**

**Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by,  
We shall see him; but in heaven, Set at God's right hand on high;  
When like stars his children crowned, All in white shall wait around.**

SIXTH LESSON: Luke 2:8-16

Eddie Chavis

*The Shepherds go to the Manger*

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 of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to all people on whom his favor rests." When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

MUSICAL RESPONSE:

The First Noel

Arr. By Clawson

(The text is that of hymn #56)

+CAROL: *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

FOREST GREEN

**O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie,  
Above the deep and dreamless sleep, the silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light,  
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.**

**For Christ is born of Mary and gathered all around,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love,  
O morning stars together proclaim the holy birth,  
And praises sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth.**

**How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given,  
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven,  
No ear may hear His coming, But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive Him, still the dear Christ enters in.**

**O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray,  
Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!**

SEVENTH LESSON: Matthew 2:1-11

Jim London

*The Wise Men are Led by a Star to Jesus*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Mary Gause

OFFERING OF ONESELF AND ONE'S GIFTS TO GOD AND THE CHURCH

THE OFFERTORY:

*We Three Kings*  
Chancel Bells

Anna Laura Page

+CAROL

*As With Gladness Men of Old*

DIX

**As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold,  
As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright,  
So, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to Thee.**

**As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare,  
So may we with holy joy pure, and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ to Thee our heavenly King.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

+CAROL: *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

ADESTE FIDELES

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem!  
Come, and behold Him, born the King of angels.**

(Refrain)

**O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him,  
O Come let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!**

**Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus to Thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing! (Refrain)**

**Sing choirs of angels, sing in exaltation!  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest! (Refrain)**

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE: "God Rest Ye Merry"

+Indicates that all who are able may stand

Laura Conrad  
arr. Wilbur Held

### **Acknowledgments**

We thank and recognize those who have assisted with today's service.

#### **Chancel Choir**

<b><u>Soprano</u></b>	<b><u>Alto</u></b>	<b><u>Tenor</u></b>	<b><u>Bass</u></b>
Mary Barron	Kathy Hughes	Chip Egan	Charles Barron
Charlotte Gruosso	Barbara Fox	Garland Gravely	George Dunkelberg
Diane Egan	Laura Lefevre	John Sherman	Bob Folsom
Sarah Morrison	Monica McGregor		Raymond MacKay
Marlene Nicholas	Shirley Muzii		Henry Melton
Rameth Owens	Millie Poole		Randall Poole
Vernie Roberts	Evelyn Rabey		Jim Roberts
Ette Ruppert	Beth Wilkinson		
Carol Todd	Jacque Worley		

#### **Chancel Bells**

Bob Folsom, Linda Davis, Ron Hughes, Jacque Worley, Marlene Nicholas, Susan Smith, Shirley Muzii,  
Carol Todd, Raenota Merrill, Rosemary Ross, Ette Ruppert, Beth Weber

#### **JAM and Jesus Jammers    Kristy MacRae, Director**

Elyse Hollingsworth, Mary Limber, Henry Marcum, Ellis Rutland, Cody Satzger, Kristen Smith,  
Reid Smith, Sydney Weeks, Caila Worley

#### **Brass**

Paul Blichmann, Tuba; Andrew Pittman, French Horn; Michael Ripley, Trombone; Bruce Whisler, Trumpet

#### **Percussion**

Tim Baynard and Ben Goldstein

#### **Readers**

Karen Burg, Eddie Chavis, Harvey Hobson, Robert Key, Jim London, Kristen Smith, Finley Wiles

#### **Worship Leaders**

Judy Bonham, Organist, Chancel Bell Director; Laura Conrad, Pastor; Mary Gause, Associate Pastor;  
Margaret MacKay, Music Director

### **A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS**

The Service of Lessons and Carols is a fairly recent development in church history. It originated in the Anglican church around the turn of the century, and was adapted in 1918 for use at King's College Chapel, Cambridge, England. This service was designed to be used in schools and colleges where it is not possible to celebrate Christmas during terms. Its popularity has seen enormous growth and it is now done annually in many educational and religious institutions around the world. The service is simplicity itself. Choir and congregational carols are interspersed with scripture readings relating the story of Christmas: beginning with the Advent prophecy, through the birth, and ending with the light. For a morning service, a selection of Advent readings is customarily done on the third Sunday in Advent, which is also known as 'Gaudete', or 'rejoicing' Sunday. Christmas readings are customarily reserved for an evening service, or Christmas Eve.

We are breaking with tradition today in presenting the full Christmas service of seven lessons, as done annually at Kings College, Cambridge, and around the world. For the benefit of the congregation, the texts of all the lessons and carols are included in the bulletin. The music and words of those carols sung with the congregation are also printed in the worship order. We hope and pray that you find this service to be a meaningful addition to your personal and corporate celebration of Advent and Christmas.

## SERVICE NOTES FOR 10:30 AM SERVICE

- ✧ Following worship please introduce yourself to those around you. Don't take it for granted they know who you are; tell them your name. **Laura Conrad** will be at the Edgewood Avenue Door, **Rodney Norris** will be at the Porte-cochere Door, and **Mary Gause** will be at the Courtyard Door.
- ✧ We welcome visitors to worship today and pray the service will be a blessing to you. Please print your name on the Friendship Pad when it is passed and introduce yourself to those who are seated around you. You are invited and welcome to participate in all the programs of Fort Hill Church. If you would like to join our church, please indicate this on the Friendship Pad.
- ✧ The Elder on duty today is **Cal Sawyer**. Following worship, the Elder on Duty will be at the Baptismal Font. If you would like to join the church, express a joy or concern, or make a suggestion to the Session, please speak to this Elder on Duty.
- ✧ Please honor the worship experience by refraining from photography during the service.
- ✧ Childcare is offered during worship for children through age 5. Childcare for children 0-3 years of age begins at 10:15 am in education building (1<sup>st</sup> floor). Please ask usher for directions.
- ✧ Restrooms are located at front (handicapped-accessible) and rear of Sanctuary and adjacent buildings.
- ✧ Hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.
- ✧ Scripture passages for next Sunday are: Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148; Matthew 2:13-23.

## SUNDAY'S SERVANTS

**Pastor on Call (12/19 – 12/25)**

**Mary Gause (Call 654-2065 between 4:30 pm and 8:30 am)**

(This information is also available each week on our answering machine after normal business hours.)

**Deacons Corner – Care Line:** If you know of any congregational member who needs care for illness, anticipated surgery or hospitalization, a birth or death in the family, or any other concerns that the church family should know and pray about, please call FHPC Care Line, 864-654-2061.

Prayer Request cards are available in each pew rack. Please fill out card and place in offering plate.

**Offering Counters for Today**

**Betty & Jimmy Dean**

**Nursery Workers for Today**

**Don and Janna McKale, Tommy and Tracy Bolger, Donna and Cory McCubbin, Helen and Kenny Mohr, Leslie, Evan, and Alex Hicklin**

*Offering Counters for Next Sunday*

*Raenota & Jack Merrill*

*Nursery Workers for Next Sunday*

*Sally and John Martin, Ann and Tim Howard, Finley Wiles, Emily Bartels, Kristy MacRae, LeAnne Greene, Mary Courtney Norris.*

<b>Attendance from 12/12/10:</b>	10:30 Worship	299	Sunday School	111	8:30 Worship	71
Attendance from last year 12/13/09	10:30 Worship	325	Sunday School	148	8:30 Worship	79

**Head Ushers** for December: Cal Sawyer and Elizabeth Bost;

**Head Ushers** for January: Chris Bandy, Leslie Hicklin, and Ross Davis

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

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Sun. 12/19	8:30 AM	Worship – Tartan Hall
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship – Sanctuary
	4:30 PM	Middle School Youth Group – Youth Room
	4:30 PM	JAM 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Youth Room
	5:00 PM	Jesus Jammers K- 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Youth Room
	6:00 PM	Senior High Youth Group – Youth Room
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Mon. 12/20	9:30 AM	Presbyterian Women Circle 7 – Library
	6:00 PM	Boy Scouts – Club Room, Tartan Hall, Dungeon Area
Tues. 12/21	6:00 PM	Folk Dance Group – Tartan Hal
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Wed. 12/22	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Thurs. 12/23	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
Fri. 12/24		<b>Church Office Closed</b>
	12:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous - Education Building
	5:00 PM	Family Friendly Christmas Eve Service
	9:00 PM	Candlelight Communion

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

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**Christian Sympathy is Extended** to the Family of Lee Davis whose sister, Ruth Lovas of Woodbridge NJ, has passed away this week.

**Christian Sympathy is Extended** to the Family of Gary Winters whose brother Gene Winters passed away this week.

**Christian Sympathy is Extended** to the Family of Josh Young, whose grandmother passed away this week.

**Christian Sympathy is Extended** to the Family of Elaine Prock, whose brother Phil Waller passed away December 16th.

**Joining Fort Hill as a Member** - We invite you to become part of God's church with us as we seek to be disciples. In the Presbyterian Church you meet with the Session to become a member. Please speak to the Officer on duty or any of the worship leaders if you want to further pursue membership.

**It's not too late to turn in your pledge.** We are still short of our pledge asking amount. If you have not turned in your pledge yet, there is still time to do so! We are so excited about what God will do through our faithfulness!

**Pledge Amount to Date: \$816,098**

**Total Pledge Asking Amount: \$880,613**

**Church-wide Retreat; Montreat Mountain Mosaic** - Join us January 28-30 for a church-wide retreat. We'll head to Montreat, NC, where we'll retreat, relax, and renew with other Fort Hill folks. Cost is \$35 per adult; \$10 per child under 12 (if staying in room with parent). Go to [www.forthillchurch.org/fellowship.php](http://www.forthillchurch.org/fellowship.php) for more information and for a registration form. Please register early! Space is limited and we need to be able to plan

**REELFOOT IS NOT A DANCE STEP** – If you have an interest in nature, or wildlife, then you need to consider a trip February 7th-12th to Reelfoot Lake and Reelfoot National Wildlife Refuge. There are only 6-7 slots left so please let Pansy know if you have any questions, or would like to attend!

**Please consider joining** together with other FHPC members for a meal in the club room, Christmas Day at 5 pm. The meat will be provided. Side dishes sufficient for sharing with the group should be brought by each person. Attendees will do set up and clean up. Let us know by 7 pm, **Today**, if you will be coming. Becky Dewitt, 864-654-6129 or [rdewitt@alumni.Clemson.edu](mailto:rdewitt@alumni.Clemson.edu) or Rose Marie Mc Donald, 864-654-8727 or [rosemariehere@yahoo.com](mailto:rosemariehere@yahoo.com)

**Young Adults** – The Young Adult group at Fort Hill Presbyterian Church is made up of singles and couples in their 20s and 30s with or without children who gather together for spiritual, social, and service events. We meet every third Sunday for lunch following the 10:30 worship service. To be added to the young adult email list, please email [ebritt@alumni.clemson.edu](mailto:ebritt@alumni.clemson.edu)

**Middle School News** – Last week we went shopping for a family we adopted for Christmas. Tonight we will meet at our regular time of 4:30-6:00 for our program and then have dinner at 6:00. Tonight we will watch the movie “A Christmas Story.” We will not have youth group on Sunday, December 26.

**Sr. High News** – Last week we went shopping for a family we adopted for Christmas. Tonight we will meet at our regular time of 6:00 for dinner and then have our program from 6:30-8:00. Tonight we will be watching the movie “Elf.” We will not have youth group on Sunday, December 26.

**Contributions for 2010** - The Deadline to submit contributions for 2010 is Sunday, December 26th. If you would like to bring your contribution into the office you can do so until 4:30pm on Thursday, December 30. If contributions are mailed, they must be post-marked by December 31, 2010.

**On January 2nd we will recognize** and give thanks for the work and ministry of Doris Clark who has served as Fort Hill’s Assistant Sexton for ten years. She has kept our Sanctuary pristine, lovingly cared for our buildings and loved the members of Fort Hill. She will be missed! In honor of her retirement, we will hold a reception in Tartan Hall after the 10:30 worship service. You may also make a monetary gift marked with her name. Many blessings and heartfelt thanks to Doris in her retirement.

## **WORSHIP AND MUSIC**

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**The 2011 FLOWER CALENDAR** is in the Narthex. If you would like to provide flowers for the Sanctuary next year, please sign on the appropriate date of the calendar. For questions, please call Chryssa Rutland at 653-3489.

**Worship materials for children** are located in the covered hallway outside of the sanctuary. These include special instructions to help children participate in worship, worship pages for children, worship bags for preschoolers and an assortment of books to be read during worship. Stop by before worship and select materials to help even our youngest learners!

**JAM and Jesus Jammers!!!** All elementary aged children (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to attend JAM and Jesus Jammers on Sunday afternoons! Children in grades 3-5 will meet at 4:30 pm in the Children’s Music Room to learn pieces with the chimes, with kids in grades K-2 joining the group for singing at 5:00 pm. If you have any questions, please e-mail Kristy MacRae at [krmacrae@hotmail.com](mailto:krmacrae@hotmail.com). We are very excited to share our love of music with the congregation this morning!!

**Upcoming Opportunity for our Youth**, Grades 6 - 12!! Beginning Wed., Jan. 5, from 6:30 - 7:00, we invite all youth interested in making music together to meet with Margaret MacKay. Come share your gifts - singing, instruments, etc.

**Nursery Care** - We offer a full range of child care for children 0 - completed Kindergarten. Our youngest children's rooms (infant/toddler) are staffed by paid volunteers and adult volunteers while our older groups are led by established adult volunteers. For more information, please see an usher or check our website: [www.forthillchurch.org](http://www.forthillchurch.org). Room assignments are: **Infants**-established walkers meet in room 117; **Toddlers** meet in room 101; **2/3 year olds** meet in room 107; **4/5 year olds** stay in worship through the story for children then move to room 207 for a short lesson before finishing in room 209.

## **OUTREACH**

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**THE FEED THE 5000 collection** (containers for donating at doors as you enter or leave) on 12/12/10 was \$162.95. The money goes to Clemson Community Care, Our Daily Bread, Golden Corner Food Bank and Safe Harbor II to buy only food.

**Christmas Ornaments for Sale** – The middle school and sr. high youth groups will be selling Christmas ornaments every Sunday in December before and after the 8:30 and 10:30 worship services. All of the money raised will go towards putting in a much needed water well for a village in Kenya. There will be a table set up in Tartan Hall and one in the Narthex.

**Gifts That Give Alternative Christmas Giving** Christian Action is again sponsoring a Gifts That Give campaign to allow you to purchase Alternative Christmas Presents that directly impact the lives of persons less fortunate than us. 15 charities are included in this year's campaign, with information about each in the December Window and the display in the Covered Arcade. Your gifts can help in numerous ways. See the display for details.



## Preparing our Hearts and Homes for Christ's Birth



**December 24- Christmas Eve Services NOTE SERVICE TIMES:** Our Family Friendly Service is held at **5:00 pm** and our Candlelight Communion Service will be at **9:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. You are invited to bring a goody to share in the covered arcade for fellowship following the 9:00 worship service.

**December 26- Christmas Sunday Worship altogether at 10:30! No 8:30 service to be held in Tartan Hall.**

## Fort Hill Presbyterian Church 2010 Advent Decorations



### Poinsettias are given by:

George and Joan Booth in memory of Ruth and Franklin Hauley, Ernest and Alta Booth, and in honor of Mabel Joan Merreighn

Lois Bro in memory of John Bro

Chalmers Carr in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Chalmers R. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dewitt, and Col. and Mrs. Marven Ellison

Doris Clark in memory of Mack and Martha McClain

Clemson Downs Presbyterians in honor of Eldon Voigt

Patricia Cowden memory of Marilyn Greer Andrews

Lee and Linda Davis and family in memory of their grandparents Henry and Anna Stover

Alice Dorn in memory of Helen Stacy

Jim Eidson and Family in memory of Jane Eidson

Bob and Becky Fant in memory of Becky's Father, Dr. John Otts

Barbara Fox in memory of Dr. Rudolf Elling and in honor of Margaret MacKay

Anita and Jan Fredman in honor of Mik and Erik Fredman

Gaston and Lib Gage in memory of Libby Crowther, Gaston and Ruth Gage, and Larry and Grace Massey

Hugh and Peggy Garner in memory of Hugh and Katheryn Garner, and Sam and Ruby Ford

Cleo Gregg in memory of Otis D. Gregg

Martha Grigsby in memory of Robert Grigsby and Mary Callahan

Steve and Laura Hunter in memory of Jimmy and Tompy Hunter

Gene and Janet Johnson in memory of Richard W. Mosher

Bob and Nan Jones in honor of their children; Catherine, Doug and Robyn Jones, and their daughter Caroline

Betty Long in memory of Jim Long, and in honor of her Fort Hill Family

Philip and Meri Kate Marcum in honor of Henry and Lydia Marcum

Jim, Donna and Corey McCubbin in honor of Chuck and Betty Cruickshank

Mark and Kristen McInnis in memory of their grandparents, and in honor of Carter, Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lenhard, and Dr. and Mrs. James McInnis

Tom and Cathy McInnis in memory of Kitty and J.B. Williams, John Ford, Jeremy Brooks, Tom and Belle McInnis, and in honor of Vi Ford, Circle 2 Leaders Elaine Prock, and Clint Moore, Linda Redman, and David and Debbie Collins

Don and Janna McKale in honor of Emily and Rob Stancil, Dave and Crystal McKale, Susie and Charlie Lloyd and their grandchildren Henry and Judy Melton in memory of their parents; Mr. and Mrs. Burt A. McMillian, and Mr. and Mrs. John D. Melton, and in memory of Donald K. Melton, brother of Henry Melton

Mr. and Mrs. William Mostertz, Jr. in memory of Alton LaVern Fogle, Sr. and William Carl Mostertz, Sr.

Stephen, Ethel, Colin and Patrick Pettigrew in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cayce, and Mr. and Mrs. Gains Pettigrew

Tom and Carol Pollock in memory of Cotton and Rosa Roberts and Murnice Pollock and in honor of Anna "Dee Dee" Pollock

Millie and Randall Poole in memory of their loving son, Perry Fredrick Poole

Jim and Elaine Prock in memory of their beloved parents: Mike & Estelle Waller, & Raymond & Peggy Prock

Ann and Ron Rash in memory of their fathers: James Hubert Rash & Archie Lee Todd, Jr.

Ette Ruppert in memory of her father, Raymond Seeley Booth, and in honor of her mother, Julia Smith Booth, who recently celebrated her 104<sup>th</sup> birthday

Jeri Schaller in memory of Arnold Schaller

Marshall, Blythe, and Eliza Smith in memory of Eliza's Grandparents Tom and Stephanie Scott, and Nat and Elaine Smith

Jim and Jane Van Senus in honor of their grandchildren; Drew, Jacob, James, and Thomas

Bob and Duaine Wigger in honor of their Fort Hill Family



### **Wreaths Are Given By:**

Susan Beckwith in honor of Bill and Janet Beckwith

Doug and Lynn Carlson in Memory of Milton E. Carlson

Jim and Marchita Culpepper in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Culpepper

Lin and Kay Dearing in memory of William Ashley Dearing and in honor of Tripp, Lucinda, Dearing and Banks Eaves

Derick and Beth Durham in memory of Richard L. Sherer and Otis and Pat Durham

Will, Beth, Billy, Rees, and Miller Gregory in honor of their parents, Bill and Caye Gregory, and George and Margaret Ann Rodgers

Larry and Jayne Horne in memory of Don and Phyllis Seymour, and Gene and Loretta Horne

Elbert and Nancy Horton in memory of their parents

Ron and Kathy Hughes in memory of Jeffrey Craig Ellers

Tom and Sue Hunter in memory of Jimmy and Tompy Hunter

Claude and Frances Lilly in memory of Claude C. Lilly, Jr. and Helen W. Lilly

Paul Mahin in memory of Toby Mahin

John and Gail McGregor in memory and in honor of their parents and children

Bob and Lou Mixon in memory of Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. G.F. Mixon

Mary Lang Olson in memory of Edward S. Olson

Polly Peters in memory of Norm Peters and in honor of their family

Stephen, Ethel, Colin and Patrick Pettigrew in memory of Mr. Lucian Bloodworth, and Mr. Buster Plowden and in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Whitesides

Margaret Ann and George Rodgers in honor of their grandchildren: Keller, Billy, Rees, and Miller

Clarence and Elaine Rodgers in memory of their loved ones

Jere and Rosemary Ross in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Ross, Jr. and in honor of their daughters Ms. Mary Frances Ross, and Ms. Lauren Rose Ross

Irene, Ellen, and Owen Ruoff in memory of Frederick Ruoff

Bill and Alice Thalheimer in memory of their parents

Carol Todd in memory of The Reverend Dr. Wayne P. Todd

Michael and Joy Van Daele in honor of Emma and Sarah Van Daele

Dorothy Vedder in memory of Edwin H. Vedder

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Class of 2013: George Dunkelberg, Linda Gahan, Meri Kate Marcum, Laura Shick, Hack Trammell, Joanne Trenholm, Helen Wooten

DEACONS: Bryan Young – Moderator; Gail Williams – Vice Moderator

Class of 2011: Michael Bailey, Susan Brown, Larry Goodwin, Karen Lindenmeyer, Betty Long, Stephanie Scott, Audrey Thompson, Eva Williamson

Class of 2012: Janet Bean, Debbie Collins, Robert Key, John McGregor, Cathy McInnis, Alison Reynolds, Suzan Simmons, Bryan Young

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Circle 2 – meets second Tuesday at 7:30 pm, Clinta Moore & Elaine Prock, Co-Leaders

Circle 3 – meets second Monday at 9:30 am, Lisa Street, Leader

Circle 5 – meets first Monday at 3:00 pm, Jan Beckwith & Lois Bro, Co-Leaders

Circle 7 – meets fourth Monday at 9:15 am; Rotating leadership; Moms with younger children

MEN OF THE CHURCH: Garland Gravely, Randy Moore, Co - Presidents; Gus Gustafson, Treasurer – Meets monthly – first Tuesday at 7:00 am

FORT HILL PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL: Shelley Burchfield, Director; Donna McCubbin, Treasurer; Marcia Barker, Chairperson

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