

Wake Forest United Methodist Church

Reaching Out To All In The Name of Jesus Christ

January 4, 2009

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	<u>Today</u>	<u>January 11th</u>
Acolytes	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sam Trent, Casey, Rebekah
Nursery		Need Volunteer
Kid's Kingdom	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	No Kid's Kingdom No Kid's Kingdom Need Volunteer
Flowers		Larry & Nancy Thompson
Sound	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Dave Wolfe Scott Harris
Money Counters		Jane Howle, Bernie Hardy
Visitation		No Visitation
Greeters	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Susan Rogers, Loye Messina Scott & Carrie Ruppert
Ushers	8:30 a.m.	Gwen Pughes, Gene Dominique Steve & Jewell Stallings Emily Gaydos, Sharon Gregory Kris & Anna Elliott Chad Stansbury, Jeanette Stansbury, Al Yeatman, Bill Wandrack

<u>TODAY</u>	
8:30 a.m.	Worship Service
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
6:00 p.m.	Youth Leaders
<u>Monday</u>	
9:15 a.m.	Parents Morning Out
<u>Tuesday</u>	
10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
<u>Wednesday</u>	
9:15 a.m.	Parents Morning Out
7:00 p.m.	UMW Officers Meeting

<u>Thursday</u>	
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
<u>Friday</u>	
6:00 a.m.	Men of Faith
9:15 a.m.	Parents Morning Out
<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>	
8:30 a.m.	Worship Service
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
12:00 p.m.	Children's Council
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group

<i>Donald Warren, Pastor</i>	<i>Barina Blackwelder, Children & Youth Music Director</i>
<i>Helen Champion, Minister of Christian Education</i>	<i>Elsie Shuler, Music Director</i>
<i>Zack Moser, Youth Director</i>	<i>Allen Bailey, Organist</i>
<i>Sharon Southard, Administrative Assistant</i>	<i>Nicole Bassett, Salena Handley, Kamila Rogers, Nursery</i>

Prelude

We Three Kings

Hopkins

Welcome and Announcements

*Introit

O Come, All Ye Faithful (1)

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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; O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

*Call to Worship

Leader: Holy God, long hidden away within our heart and too often explained away by reason, reveal your salvation to us through the one who saves us, Jesus Christ..

People: Show forth among us, Bread of Life! Be manifest here this day.

Leader: Reveal your salvation, Great God of Light, to the poor who hunger for your nourishment, to the seekers who travel across deserts for your drink, and to us gathered here for worship.

People: Show forth among us, Cup of Salvation! Be manifest here this day.

*Hymn

The First Noel

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*Passing of the Peace

Children's Time

Music

Love Comes Gently

Dave King, Solo and guitar; Bob Sakowski, violin

Prayer

Eternal Light, shine in our hearts. Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil. Eternal Power, be our support. Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal Pity, have mercy on us. With all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, may we seek your face and be brought by your infinite grace to your holy presence; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Offering Ourselves (our time, talents, tithes/gifts and service)

Offering in Music

Still, Still, Still

J. Martin

*Community Response *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

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*Prayer of Devotion and Dedication

Community Prayer, Concerns and Joys

Call to Prayer

In the Bleak Midwinter (4)

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What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; if I were Wise Man, I would do my part; yet what I can give him: give him my heart.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scripture	Matthew 2:1-12 & Isaiah 60:1-6 L: This is the Word of the Lord. P: Thanks be to God.	
Sermon		
Anthem	<i>Our Light Has Come</i> Covenant Choir	T. Fettke
Holy Communion	A Service of Word and Table III	15
*Hymn	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	206
Benediction		
*Choral Response	<i>We Three Kings (5)</i> Glorious now behold him arise; King and God and sacrifice: Alleluia, Alleluia, sounds through the earth and skies. O star of wonder, star of light, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light.	254
*Postlude	<i>This Day So Joyous</i>	Pachabel

Keep in Prayer: Our Nation, the leaders, our service men & women; Estelle Hill; Elaine Barbee; Willard Bailey; Howard & Pauline Mosier; Maddison Sargent; Alexander Massey, *Elizabeth Tippette's father*; Karen Estes; Edward Kantner, *Cheri Gallagher's father*; Joe & Alice Annadale, *Helen Champion's parents*; Tom Baker; Herb Klose, *Bill Klose's father*; Ted Jones, *Marilyn Steigler's father*; Laura Steigler, *Ken Steigler's mother*; Don Shafford, *Joyce & Gary Miller's nephew*; Joyce Jones, *Sharon O'Kelley's mother*; Dale Flint, *Melissa Flint's son*; Phil McHale; Nita Rambicure, *Leah Flach's grandmother*.

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Mitchell's birthday by Larry and Nancy Thompson.

Visitors: Thank you for choosing to worship with us today! If you would like to receive more information about our church, please feel free to stop by our display stand in the Narthex for copies of our current newsletter, Sunday School and nursery information, as well as monthly devotional material. You may also contact Kathy Galde, Evangelism Chair, at 562-3318 or kgalde@aol.com.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN CHILDREN'S COUNCIL! The next Children's Council meeting will be held on Sunday, January 11, 2009, at 12 pm (immediately following the 11 am service). Grab a friend and join us for lunch. We will plan our children's events for the first half of 2009. Please consider serving our church through this very important ministry to our youngest members. Please RSVP by January 6th to Tricia Ellen at triciaellen@earthlink.net or 453-0160.

Family Life SS Class invites you to join us beginning **Sunday January 11th** for a DVD class study called **Value-Packed Parenting**. This is Dr. Kevin Leman's newest resource to help parents raise rock-solid children in today's pleasure-driven world. This seven week bible based study includes these topics: The Ten Best Gifts You'll Ever Give Your Kids, It's Never Too Late to Become a Better Parent, Standing Up to the New Goliath and Helping Kids Overcome Negative Influence. Family Life meets below the church offices each morning. Any questions? Please contact Courtney or Danny Roberts 554 -3902.

The **Youth Leaders** will meet today at 6 p.m. to plan this year's youth schedule. Please bring your calendar and awesomeness.

Wednesday Night

Sojourners on a Journey: A way to discover your gifts and God's call in your life

This is a faith-based discernment process designed for someone who is on a spiritual journey and might be considering a career change, uncertain about their gifts and current calling in life, wondering about life-giving way to volunteer, and/or dealing with a major transition such as retirement. Each session lasts about two hours and gives you time for personal reflection, small group sharing and worship. This is an 8 week series starting **Wednesday, February 4th in the Renewal class (and Chapel)**. This will be led by Susan Rogers, Lori Warren, and Helen Champion. Please sign up in the narthex.

Thursday Morning Bible Study January 15

9:30 a.m. in the Seekers Class

Left Behind? What the Bible Really Says About the End Times by Dr. James M. Efirid
This book will be led by Helen Champion. Please sign up in the narthex and pick up your book outside Helen's office.

Sunday Night Dinner & Programs

Starting January 18th

Dinners will be starting on **January 18th at 5:00 p.m.** Please don't forget to sign up ahead of time either in the narthex or on the churches website: www.wakeforestumc.org Thank You!

Opening Ourselves to Grace: Basic Christian Practices

Opening ourselves to Grace explores the basic practices of Christian faith and life from a Wesleyan tradition. You will experience the historic spiritual disciplines and you will grow in your love of God and neighbor. This study will be led by Ken and Marilyn Steigler on **January 18 at 6:00 in the Chapel.** Please sign up in the narthex.

Parenting Your Teens with TLC: (Time, Limits and Caring)

Who is this new resident in your home who is sometimes happy, sometimes moody, and sometimes *really* moody? Oh, it's your teen-ager! There are no set formulas for raising a teen who is happy, responsible, and grounded. However, this six-week study and discussion of the book, "Parenting Your Teens with TLC (Time, Limits, and Caring)" features many ways to a strong parent-teen relationship. The book reassures parents about the normal developmental changes that teens go through and addresses some of the unexpected challenges parents face. Teens need and want parents in their lives. The daily time we spend with our teens is so important in building an interactive relationship. Discover how to offer support without interfering, and how to become your teen's ally. Enjoy the camaraderie of other parents as we discuss the book and the trials and joys of these brief but important teen-age years. This study will be led by Nell Yates will start on **January 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Renewal Class.** Please sign up in the narthex.

The Gospel According to Luke with Dr. James M. Efird

In our study with the book of Luke, we will learn about its relationship to the other Gospels. As we will see, Luke is the only non-Jewish author in the New Testament and directs much of his writings to the Gentile world. Luke focuses on the outcasts, and marginalized people of that time. In Luke's writings we will learn more about both John the Baptist and Jesus, and about Jesus' early ministry of healing and teaching. This class will be led by Don Champion starting on **January 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Seekers class.**

The Nursery will be available for babies & toddlers up to age 3 years old from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. The nursery is for parents who need child care while they are leading a program or attending a program or bible study.

Children's Program on Sunday Nights Starts January 18

The ages are 4 years old through 5th grade. Please contact Jane Bofenkamp, at 880-8373 to sign your child up or sign up in the Narthex.