

NELSON MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 27, 2009

8:00 a.m.

1st Sunday after Christmas Day

Seasonal Color: White

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Informal Moments (Please sign Attendance Pads found in each row) Liturgist

Prelude "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (arr. Carter) Nancy Ward

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** Liturgist

Leader: Jesus, we have just celebrated your birth surrounded by family and friends.

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Leader: We pray this morning that you move your Spirit in a powerful way among us.

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* Hymn of Praise "He Is Born" Hymnal #228

* An Affirmation of Faith "A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada" Hymnal #883

* Gloria Patri Hymnal #70

Children's Message (Children welcomed to the Chancel) Jennifer Jones

A TIME FOR GIVING THANKS

Offering of God's Tithes and Our Gifts

Offertory Sentence Liturgist

Offertory Music Nancy Ward

* Doxology Hymnal #95

* Offertory Prayer Pastor Elmer

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Pastor Elmer

Hymn of Preparation "The First Noel" Hymnal #245

Pastor's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Special Music "It's About the Cross" Nancy Ward
Pastor E, guitar

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

* The Written Word Luke 2:22-40 Pew Bible pg. NT 59

The Message "Seeing Salvation" Pastor Elmer

SENT FORTH INTO THE WORLD

* Hymn of Commitment "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" Hymnal #251

* Benediction

* Postlude Nancy Ward

* Indicates People Standing (please stand as you are able)

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We welcome you to this Celebration of Worship! We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. A nursery is available for children who are Pre-K and under. An usher would be happy to assist you in finding the nursery and introducing you to our attendants.

Please take a few moments to greet someone after the service.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Pastor
Organist
Liturgist
Ushers
Chancel Choir Director
Parish Nurses

Elmer D. McClafin
Nancy Ward
Sharon Mellor
Sharon Mellor / Greg Silvey
Debby K. Davis
Jan DeGraffenreid, Sandy Halford

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY, DECEMBER 27

- **Worship Service** - 8:00 & 10:20 a.m.
- **Sunday School for All Ages** - 9:00 a.m.
- **Youth Group** - no meeting today
- **Small Group Bible Study** - no meeting until January 3

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

- **Chancel Choir Practice** - 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31 - New Year's Eve -

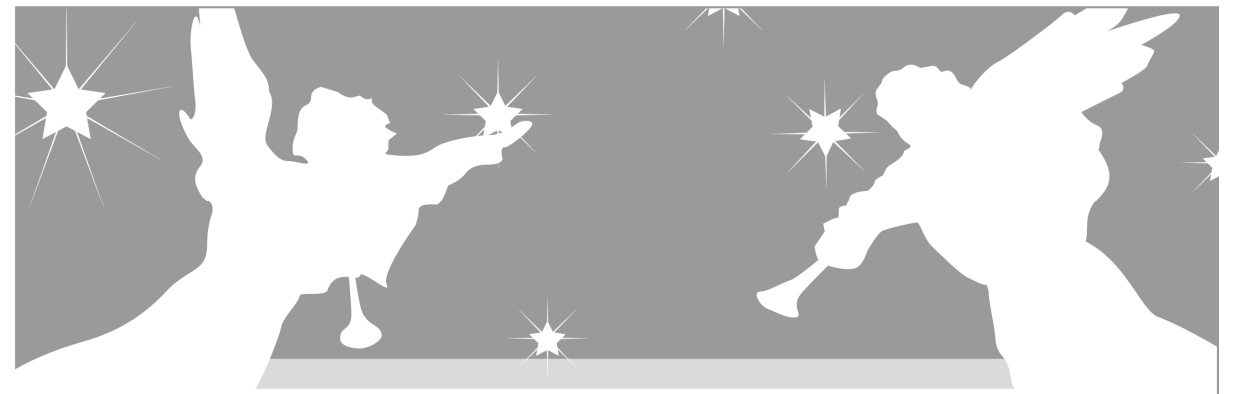
- **Sanctuary Open for Personal Prayer** - 11:30 p.m.



SUNDAY, JANUARY 3



- **Worship Service** - 8:00 & 10:20 a.m.
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At the close of the service our "Chapel" will be available for prayer and counsel! (Ask an Usher)

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Jennifer Jones
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Elvin and Margene Farquhar
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A decorative background for the Christmas message. It features silhouettes of two angels, one on the left holding a star and one on the right playing a trumpet. The background is dark gray with several white, multi-pointed stars scattered throughout. The text 'Christ is born!' is centered in a white, stylized font.

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TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

McClure Reception

There will be a reception **today** from 2-4 p.m. honoring Jerry and Marie McClure at Katy Manor in Pilot Grove. Jerry and Marie will be celebrating 65 years of marriage on December 31, as well as their 90th birthdays (Jerry on December 25 and Marie on January 15). Please join us in this celebration, but if you are unable to attend, cards may be sent to Katy Manor, Room 210, 205 Prospect, Pilot Grove, MO 65276.

--Sandy Farris and Marla Stretz

End of the Year Giving Deadline

As you consider your final contributions for 2009, please note that the church office must receive offerings by 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, **December 30** for them to be credited on your 2009 giving statement.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

The sanctuary will be open on **December 31** from 11:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. for a personal time of prayer to commit the New Year to the Lord. There will be no structured service, so feel free to come and go.

Youth Mission Team Fundraiser

Please join our Youth Mission Team on Sunday, **January 3**, 2010 for the next Youth Mission Team Dinner. We will be serving Lasagna, Salad, Green Beans and Dessert. The cost will be \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 for 5 to 10 year olds. We are so blessed and appreciative to be a part of such a wonderful church family. Thank you for your love, prayers and financial support.



**The Poinsettia near the altar was given
In Loving Memory of**

Earl and Evolene Pattison
from Janie, Bonnie and Allen

PRAYER LIST

December 27, 2009

Mindful of my need to pray and the great opportunity, which exists when people of faith pray together, I will lift up the following in prayer:

New Additions

Sgt. Timothy Gallagher
(Deployed to Afghanistan)

Continued Prayer

Family of Alma Boehm (*grief*)

Mackenna Schnell (*health*)

Family of Chuck Linville (*grief*)

Gertrude Simmons (*health*)

Judy Peters (*health*)

John Sweeney (*health*)

(Pastor E's brother-in-law)

Prayers for Government, Armed Forces, and Disaster Relief Personnel

Sgt. Aaron Edman

(Father of KHUSA child deployed to Afghanistan)

LCPL Brad Simmons

(Deployed to Iraq)

LT senior grade Jimmy Fuemmeler

(VAQ-129, NAS Whidbey Island, WA)

Aaron VonEngeln

(Deployed to Afghanistan)

Major Jeremy Gettings

(Joint Staff Tour Creech AFB, NV)

Covenant Church of Gondola,

(Mozambique)

Robert Mike Grissum

(Stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood)

Pledges of Service to be honored

Midshipman Will Parker

(United States Naval Academy,
Annapolis, MD)

Sgt. Samuel Ross

(Father of KHUSA child deployed to Iraq)

President of the United States

Men & Women of our Armed Forces

LCPL Cory Schmidt

(Cherry Point, NC)

Leaders of the World

Please use the Prayer Request Card found in the pews or call the church office to add or remove a prayer concern from the prayer list. Names will remain on the Prayer List for one month. Requests may be made to continue special prayers for a longer period.