

Coming Up at LaFayette First

Sunday, December 11

- 9:00a Contemporary Worship
- 10:00a Sunday School
- 11:00a Traditional Worship
- 5:00p Youth

Monday, December 12

- 6:30p Boy Scouts

Tuesday, December 13

- 6:00p Girl Scouts

Wednesday, December 14

- 6:00p Kid Connect
- 6:00p Youth Group
- 6:30p Handbells Choir
- 7:30p Chancel Choir

Thursday, December 15

- 10:00a David Autry's Bible Study

Friday, December 16

- 8:00p AA

Sunday, December 18

- 7:45a UMMen's Breakfast
- 9:00a Contemporary Worship
- 10:00a Sunday School
- 11:00a Traditional Worship
- 5:00p Youth

Christmas Poinsettias

Poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary for the services on Dec. 11th, 18th and 25th and may be picked up following the Morning Service of the 25th. The cost is \$10 and benefits the Youth Mission Trip. Please mark your check for poinsettias. The final day to turn in to the church is December 11th. Names will be published December 18th.

In Honor of _____

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In Memory of _____

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Given by _____

~Scripture~

Matthew 11:2-11

² When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples ³ to ask him, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?"

⁴ Jesus replied, "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: ⁵ The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor.

⁶ Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me."

⁷ As John's disciples were leaving, Jesus began to speak to the crowd about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swayed by the wind? ⁸ If not, what did you go out to see? A man dressed in fine clothes? No, those who wear fine clothes are in kings' palaces. ⁹ Then what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰ This is the one about whom it is written:

*"I will send my messenger ahead of you,
Who will prepare your way before you."*

¹¹ Truly I tell you, among those born of women there has not risen anyone greater than John the Baptist; yet whoever is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

Staff Gifts

We all know what a hard working church staff we have. This is the only time of the year we get to show monetary appreciation for their efforts. We're accepting a love offering for them. If you would like to donate, please mark your check Staff Gifts and place in the offering plate or turn in to the church office. The deadline to donate is Sunday, December 18th.

-Steve Ledbetter, Chairman SPRC

"Christmas With the Metropolitan Bells"

Seniors and Friends Trip

Brainerd Baptist Church

December 15th

Leave the church at 5:00 p.m.

Eat at Cracker Barrel, Ringgold

Concert Begins at 7:30 p.m.

Please call the church office to reserve your seat

The Morning Worship Service of

December 11, 2016



NURSERY

A Nursery for preschool children and under is provided for the Sunday school and Worship times. The nursery is located through the door to the left of the pulpit and downstairs in room #5.

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The Morning Worship Service

December 11, 2016

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING MUSIC Pianist

GREETINGS AND WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

*HYMN OF PRAISE “Angels We Have Heard On High” 238

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles’ Creed* 881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick (alive) and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic (universal) church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI 70

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen

HYMN “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” 240

CHILDREN’S TIME Ben Jones

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Call to Prayer Congregation

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.

GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

* Doxology 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

ANTHEM

Choir

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 11:2-11

SERMON

Rev. Randall Massengill

*HYMN OF DEDICATION “Joy to the World” 246

*BENEDICTION Rev. Randall Massengill

CHORAL RESPONSE Choir

**Indicates “Those who are able, please stand.”*



The arrangement in the Sanctuary today is to the Glory of God.

Fellowship
Dinner



Monthly Fellowship Dinner

Wednesday, January 4th

5:30 p.m.

Menu includes: Chicken Pot Pie, Fresh Garden Salad, Winter Fruit Salad, Chocolate Chip Cookies

Please make your reservations no later than noon
Tuesday, January 3rd.

~ *Serving* ~

This Month:

Ushers: Billy Mullinax, Breck Parker, Richard Westbrook
Rev. Randall Massengill, Pastor Charles Heintz, Choir Director

Anne Stansell, Organist

Gwen Gregory, Evelle Dana, Pianists

Kevin Smith, Chuck Gregory, video, audio & projection

Karen Thompson, PDO Director; kthompson@lafayettefumc.org

Ben Jones, Youth & Children Director; BenJones@lafayettefumc.org

To contact Pastor Randall by email: RMassengill@lafayettefumc.org

Pastor Randall’s Cell Phone: 706-567-2717

Parsonage Phone Number: 706-639-9238

Prayer Concerns

New Concerns:

Ongoing Concerns:

Caroline Autry, Jeanette Baker, Patrick Bunn, JoAnn Caldwell, Lillie Chapman, Scott Daniel, John & Melissa Hallman, Starr Hawkins, Kat Heintz, Carolyn Holiman, Jennifer Johnston, David Johnston, Jeremy Johnston, Shawn Lackey, Dwight Lambert, Judy Long, Alice Nicholson, Dan Priest, Michael Street, Terry Thompson, Megan Wolfe

Nursing Home:

Shut In:

Service Men & Women:

James D. Behrmann, Benji Croom, Jim Forester, Kylee Forester, Morgan Forester, Sid Forester, Trey Heintz, Brett P. May, James Mitchell, Michael Street, Chris Walka

Names will be left on the prayer list for up to one month. To leave a name on longer, please re-submit prayer request.

If you would like to be added to the email prayer chain, please submit your address to the church office.

Church Office Closing

The church office will be closed the week of December 26th for the Christmas holiday. It will reopen Tuesday, January 3rd.

End of Year Giving

The last opportunity to make a financial contribution to be credited in the 2016 tax year is Sunday, December 31st during the morning worship service. Any checks received by mail must be *postmarked* by December 31st.

UMMen’s Breakfast

Sunday, December 18th
7:45 a.m.