

**Joy Seekers** will *not* meet on Thursday, Dec. 10. On Dec.17, we will meet for lunch at 11 a.m. at the Woodstock Cafe and Shoppes. On Thursday, Jan. 7, at 10 a.m. we will resume our regular schedule and begin a study on the book of Acts. If you did not receive a study guide, please see Marcy Bauserman.

**Church Conference** is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The vote is extended to all members in attendance.

**Son Risers** will meet on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 9 a.m. at the Woodstock Cafe and Shoppes. Everyone who has attended the Emmaus walk is invited to attend.

**Youth for Christ and Senior High Youth** will meet on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 2 p.m. at the church to go shopping for our Christmas angels and to do a bit of personal holiday shopping. Everyone is encouraged to attend! Any parent who is able to drive, please contact Erin Hubbard asap. YFC and Sr. High will then meet up with the **Young Seekers** in the evening to go see the holiday lights in Clearbrook. Please look for more details to come in the church bulletin and Youth newsletter.

**Children's Christmas Program** - Dress rehearsal will be held on Sunday, Dec. 13, after church in the sanctuary. The program will be held on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 7 p.m.

A Christmas program, featuring children in preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, will be held on December 20, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. We will also feature special music, from children and youth of all ages, which will include instruments and Christmas songs. Come join us for an evening of Christmas music and joy!

**Young Seekers** (3rd to 5th graders) will have their next meeting on Sunday, Dec. 13, from 12 to 2 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the church. The group will be decorating cookies. **Young Seekers are asked to bring a packed lunch!!**

**Hearts & Hands** will be wrapping the Christmas presents for our adopted family on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 7 p.m. If we have enough people helping, we can get the job done prior to our Christmas party at 7:30 p.m.

**Hearts & Hands** will be holding their Annual Christmas Party on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We will be exchanging \$10 Christmas-themed presents by means of playing "Thieves' Christmas." All women of the church are invited. Please come and bring a snack and a \$10 wrapped gift to share and join in on this time of fellowship.

**The Birthday Tree**- During Advent, we will have a Christmas Tree in the back of the sanctuary for "Birthday Gifts for the Child." These gifts (booties, gloves, mittens, socks, scarves, ski caps, etc.) for children will be the decorations for the tree. All donations of these items will be sent to Judy Matheny (UM Ministries) for children who need these items. If you purchase larger gifts, please wrap them, and they will be placed under The Birthday Tree.

# Toms Brook United Methodist Church

## Second Sunday in Advent

December 6, 2009

Please register your attendance on the pew pads  
and kindly turn off cell phones.

The Welcome  
The Prelude

"A Holy Blessing"  
by Stewart Landon

Worship Leader  
Organist

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

\*Pat & Sharon McCarthy  
\*\*Kevin & Sharon Keller

Pastor: "Nothing is impossible with God." (Luke 1:37)

Laity: Luke 1:26-38

Pastor: What does God promise to you and to the world that seems impossible at this time? What voices within us and outside us call things impossible? What is God's Spirit saying? As the second candle is lit, reflect upon how God keeps His **PROMISES**.

Laity: **Let us pray. God of eternal promises and unwavering power, thank you for all that is ours in Christ. We ask forgiveness for the times we forget your promises and doubt your power to fulfill them. Like Mary and Joseph, we believe beyond what we can see, for nothing is impossible with you, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of all that is and will be. Amen.**

The Invocation

The Music Medley "I Saw the Light" \*insert  
"I'll Fly Away"

The Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" \*\*196

The Children's Moment  
The Offertory of Tithes & Gifts  
The Giving  
The Doxology

Ushers

The Joys & Concerns  
The Prayers

Second Sunday  
in Advent



### ~Lay Ministry~

#### Greeters

\*Leo & Gloria Ryman  
\*\*Scott Currie &  
Kay Crawford

#### Nursery Workers

\*Dianna Bauserman  
\*\*Sharon Maynard &  
Sarah Maynard

#### Acolytes

\*Jackie Farmer  
\*\*Sully Eagle

#### Ushers

\*Larry Holler, Jimmy Peterson,  
Brian Funkhouser,  
Mary Fay  
\*\*Stanley & Jean Wright  
Ellen Kern, Mike Cockrell

#### Parking Lot Greeters

\*\*Doug Midkiff  
\*\*Chuck & Donna Eagle  
S. S. Parking Lot Greeter

Gary Kronk

#### Children's Church

Holly Taff

#### Communion Servers

\*Sandie Rinker,  
Debbie Funkhouser  
\*\*Chuck & Donna Eagle

### ~Missionaries~

Dr. Judy Matheny,  
UM Ministries  
Jean Martin, S.C.P.C.  
Pat Spory, VEFC  
Volunteer Farm  
\* 8:30 \*\* 11:00

The Lord's Prayer		895
The Ministry of Music	"I Come To The Stable"	*Pat & Sharon McCarthy
The Scripture Reading		**Master's Choir Mark 1:1-4
The Sermon	"Hope of Forgiveness"	Pastor
The Sacrament of Holy Communion		7
The Hymn	"O Come, All Ye Faithful"	234
The Benediction		

### ~ Advent & Christmas Eve Sermons ~

Dec. 13	- "Crown of Everlasting Joy"	(Isaiah 35:1-10)
Dec. 20	- "The Increase of Peace"	(Isaiah 9:6-7)
Dec. 24	- "Beautiful Child"	(Luke 2:1-20)

### ~Meeting Notice~

**Building Plan Informational Meetings will be held on Sunday, December 13, and Sunday, January 3, during the Sunday School hour. Please mark your calendars.**

Bishop: **Charlene Kammerer**  
 District Superintendent: **David Forrest**  
 Pastor: **Joe Klotz, Jr.**  
 Lay Leader: **Bobby Funkhouser**  
 Worship Leaders: **Bobby Funkhouser, Emmett Umberger**

### Our Staff:

Youth Minister: **Erin Hubbard**  
 Administrative Assistant: **Brenda Kline**  
 Director of Music: **Marcy Bauserman**  
 Children's Ministry Coordinator: **Cindy Frenzel**  
 Temple Keeper: **Irma Martinez**

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### ~Remember In~ Prayer

Scott Gray  
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 Lilly Ritenour family  
 Jr. Ryman  
 Beth Heaton  
 Tommy Ryan family  
 Bob Bauserman  
 Ed  
 Mike Hargrave  
 Bill Mann  
 Martha Milk  
 Vicki Sweet  
 Ricky Griffey  
 Margaret Tisinger  
 Buddy Gilbert  
 Edna Curry  
 Alex Buckley  
 William Griffey  
 Donald Stewart  
 Pat Richard  
 Mary Scribner  
 John Tyler  
 Roger Shoemaker  
 traveling mercies  
 for students  
 Justin Rush  
 Bob Lively  
 George Miller  
 Karen Prince  
 Emmett's mother  
 Matt Pugh's family  
 Elaine Mowery  
 Gordon Wright  
 Ellen Parker  
 Melinda & Mom & Dad  
 Jeff Johnson  
 Chris Chase  
 Melicia Wakeman  
 Marty Ryman

### Nursing Homes/Hosp.

Consulate Health  
 Care:  
 Judy Kern  
 Hilda Wolfe  
Dutch Haven:  
 Mary Anna Lichliter  
 Joe Blackburn  
 Jeff Jeffery  
 WMC:  
 Gene Taylor

## Ministry Opportunities

**Looking For a Church Home? Are you looking for a Church Family?** There is a place here for YOU to make a difference. Ask one of our ushers for a welcome information packet. Please sign our pew register so that we can get to know you better. Check out our web-site: [www.tombsbrookumc.org](http://www.tombsbrookumc.org).

**Communion** -We will be providing flatbread and "gluten-free wafers" instead of a loaf of bread. As you come to commune, the servers will hand you a piece of bread that has been dipped in the cup. This method will greatly reduce the spread of infection.

**Lend-A-Hand Fund** – This morning we are taking a collection for the Lend-A-Hand fund. We have been responding to many clients of late that have been laid off or can't find work. We are helping people with rent, gas, and electric bills mainly, but sometimes food and household supplies are needed. We are able to use these funds to minister to people in our congregation and the community. Because of your giving, we are able to minister not only to physical needs but to spiritual ones as well. Leave your gifts in the basket as you come to receive the Sacrament.

**Church Bulletin** announcements need to be turned in next week by Wednesday morning-- at 9 a.m.

**Methodist Men** will have an important meeting the first Monday of Dec. (Dec. 7th), at 7 p.m. in the church parlor.

**Casual Fellowship** - Stop by the church parlor on Wednesdays, between 6:30 - 8 p.m. (please notice the change in time), for some casual fellowship with members of your church family. Bring along your knitting, crocheting, any project you may be working on, or nothing at all. This is a time to sit down, catch your breath, and just visit for a while. Come late, leave early, whatever suits your schedule, but do come for a visit. Contact Renee Kronk (465-8183) or Trudy Stickley (436-8688) if you have any questions.

**J. Café**, a bi-weekly Bible Study group for teens - grades 6-12, will meet Wednesday, Dec. 9, from 6:30 – 8 p.m. in the fellowship hall for some coffee, cafe-style drinks, and treats.

### ~Calendar~

Today, December 6, 2009  
 Communion

8:30—Worship  
 9:45—Sunday School  
 11:00—Worship  
 12:30—4H (FH)  
 2:00—Consulate  
 4:00—Dinner Theatre  
 Rehearsal (FH)

**Monday, December 7**

7:00—UM Men

**Tuesday, December 8**

6:30—Prayer Group (S)

**Wednesday, December 9**

6:30—Casual Fellowship (P)

6:30—J. Café (FH)

7:30—Master's Choir (S)

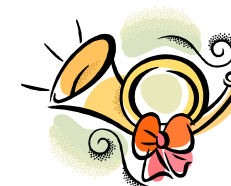
**Thursday, December 10**

7:00—Church Conference (FH)

**Saturday, December 12**

9:00—Son Risers

2:00—Combined Youth Event



### ~Stewardship~

**November 29, 2009**

Sunday school: (n/a) \$

Worship: (\*68 \*\*88)  
 \$4,216.00

Building F.: \$320

Food Pantry: \$42

Van: \$150

Missions: \$20

Russia Mission: \$200