The Order of Worship for Sunday, December 2, 2012
First Sunday of Advent

Traditional Services (8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.)

Prelude ............................ Luan Gore
Welcome and Announcements ............ Ken Minton

*The Welcome Chorus
The first Noel the angel did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields
as they lay; in fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold
winter’s night that was so deep. Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the
King of Israel.

*The Hymn of Praise ................................. No. 203
“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

*The Affirmation of Faith: ............................. Liturgist
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 and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the
life everlasting. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri ..................................... No. 71
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.  Amen.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts. .............................. Liturgist
*The Doxology .......................... No. 95
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures
here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son
and Holy Ghost.  Amen.

The Scripture ........................................... Liturgist
Luke 2:8-20

The Choral Anthem ........................................... Chancel Choir
“The King Shall Come”

The Message ............................................ Ken Minton
“True Reasons for the Season”

The Sacrament of Holy Communion ............ Pages 12-14
Christians of all denominations are invited to receive Holy Communion
today. The elements will be brought to you in the pew if you notify an
usher. An offering for “the needy” is traditionally brought to the commun-
ion rail by Church members, but it is not required to receive Holy Com-
munion.

*The Hymn of Dedication ............................ No. 196
“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

*The Benediction ............................. Ken Minton
“God Be With You till We Meet Again”

*The Benediction Response ............................ No. 672
“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

*The Postlude .............................. Luan Gore
*The Congregation will please stand as able.
Please silence all cell phones and pagers during the service.

Serving as Liturgists today are:
Bob Miller (8:00 a.m.) and Rev. Bill Pollock (11:00 a.m.)

Serving as Greeters today are:
Connie Norton, Ben and Marilyn Neubert, Harold Sanderson (8:00 a.m.)
Orville and Nancy Bowers, Maryel Kellogg, Robert Skrapka (11:00 a.m.)
The flowers on the altar are in honor of our mother, Sue Hodgson,
on her 102nd birthday.  Carolyn and Vernon Dilks

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“*The Gathering”

Contemporary Service (9:30 a.m.)

*Opening Songs of Praise .......................... Salvation’s Rock
‘Joyful (The One Who Saves)”
“All Creation Sing”

*The Affirmation of Faith: ............................. Liturgist
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*The Welcome and Greeting

*Songs of Praise .......................... “Sing” ............................. Salvation’s Rock
“Christmas Like A Child”

The Lighting of the First Advent Candle .......................... Kevin, Sara, Quentin and Grace Smith

The Children are Dismissed to Children’s Church

The Morning Prayer

The Morning Offering .......................... Salvation’s Rock
“Arms That Hold The Universe”

The Scripture Reading ............................ Luke 2:8-20

The Message ............................. Ken Minton
“True Reasons for the Season”

The Sacrament of Holy Communion ............ Pages 12-14
“The Well”

*The Closing Song of Praise .......................... Salvation’s Rock
“Praise You With The Dance”

*The Blessing ............................. Ken Minton
Prayer List for Week of November 25, 2012

Jana Herndon Callahan; Michael; Iona; Ann; Sheilah Graham; Roland Descombes; Mike Nobles; Taylor Jeffries; Leroy Brown; Chuck Russell; Vincent Gates; Lorraine Gates; Norma Hall; Janet Hughley; Delma White; Janice Shaw; Anita Thayer; Norma Smith; Gary Ashline; Terry Davis; Jolynn Wyborny; Doug Farr; Ruth Farr; Joan Hanawalt; Chris Smith; Edythe Miller; Wayne Dolly; Bob Lockhart; Bea Austin; Ken Strickland; Sue Reeves; Libby Strauhorn; Chris Stackhouse; Cliff Eaton; Rebecca Sheffield; Barbara McCarthy; David Neil.

Family of: Elton Eugene Evans; Ray Roshong; Wanda Engel; Frank Garrod; Brent Dunlap; Walter Webb; Vera Davis; Frank McDonald.

Today, children and youth BAKE SALE after all 3 services. Children and youth planning to go to Summer Camp 2013, will be having a BAKE SALE!! Stop by the gazebo or Cooper Hall and fill up a sandwich bag of cookies and other yummy items for $5.00 each. We will also be selling chocolate, cinnamon and pecan clusters for $11.00 per bag.

Tuba Christmas Concert...tonight - A free outdoor concert of Christmas music by volunteer musicians playing tubas and euphoniums will be presented tonight by the First United Methodist Church at 5:00 p.m. in Times Square on 5th Avenue in downtown Zephyrhills. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the music. TUBA CHRISTMAS concerts are public performances of tuba and euphonium players of all ages.

The Choral Cantata will be held next Sunday, December 9th, 2012. The Cantata will be held at the 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services.

During the Christmas Season our sanctuary will be adorned with poinsettias. You may purchase as many as you like in honor or in memory of loved ones. Names of the loved ones will be in the December 23rd bulletin. The cost of the poinsettias will be $7.50 each. You can call the Church Office at 782-5645 to place your order or use the reservation cards available in the church pews. Orders will be taken up to December 16.

Community Arise Basic Disaster Training - This training provides an introduction to the important role the faith community plays in disaster mitigation, preparation and response. Participants will hear practical ideas on how to effectively respond to disasters in cooperation with emergency management officials and the Disaster Recovery Ministry of the Florida Annual Conference. The training will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2013 in Cooper Hall from 9:30 am till 3:00 pm. There is no cost for the training. Please call the church office to learn how to register for this event.

Our Stewardship for the Week of November 25, 2012

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No Sunday night activities last week.

| $10,212.00 | $8,667.03 | $2,060.90 |

Termite Fund Cost: Needed: $131.14

Events and Activities This Week

SUNDAY
- Blood Pressure Check - (Cooper Hall) - 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- Traditional Worship Services - 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
- Contemporary Service - 9:30 a.m.
- Coffee Fellowship (Cooper Hall) - 8:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
- Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Truth Seekers Sunday School (Crusaders’ Room) - 10:30 a.m.
- The Forge (Youth Sunday School) - 10:45 a.m.
- E.P.I.C. Bible Study (E.P.I.C. Lodge) - 11:00 a.m.
- Youth and Children’s Programs (Cooper Hall) - 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- Children’s Pioneer Club (Cooper Hall) - 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY
- Thrift Shop (Open for donations) - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Thrift Shop Christmas Party (Crusader’s Room) - 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

TUESDAY
- Ecumenical Breakfast (Cooper Hall) - 7:00 a.m.
- Praise & Prayer Breakfast (Crusader’s Room) - 8:30 a.m.
- S.W.O.R.D.S. Singles Club (Cooper Hall) - 12:00 Noon
- Salvation’s Rock Practice (Sanctuary) - 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
- Thrift Shop (Open for Sales) - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Women’s Bible Study (Parlor) - 10:00 a.m.
- Chapel Bible Study (Chapel) - 5:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Dinner All Ages (Cooper Hall) - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- Activities for Children and Youth - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- “Living In The Word” Bible Study (Chapel) - 7:00 p.m.
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) - 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY
- UMW Executive Meeting (Lamplighter’s) - 9:30 a.m.
- Commission on Missions Meeting (Crusader’s Room) - 11:30 a.m.
- The Story of Esther Bible Study (Chapel Classroom) - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- Introduction to the New Testament (Choir Room) - 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY
- Project Others/Prayer Shawl Ministry (Cooper Hall) - 8:00 a.m.
- N.A. Group (Crusader’s Room) - 9:00 to 10:30 p.m.

SATURDAY
- Thrift Shop (Open for Sales) - 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Salvation’s Rock Practice (Sanctuary) - 9:00 a.m.

MINISTERS: Every Member of FUMC

STAFF: 
- Business Manager: Bob Crum
- Church Administrator: Ruth Walker
- Contemporary Worship Leader: David Therron
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Join us Throughout the Christmas Season

Choral Cantata
Sunday, December 9, 2012
8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Services

Parsonage Open House
Sunday, December 16, 2012
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services
Monday, December 24, 2012
7:00 p.m. - Traditional Service
9:00 p.m. - Contemporary Service

Living Water for a Thirsty World