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**I've Got A River of Life**

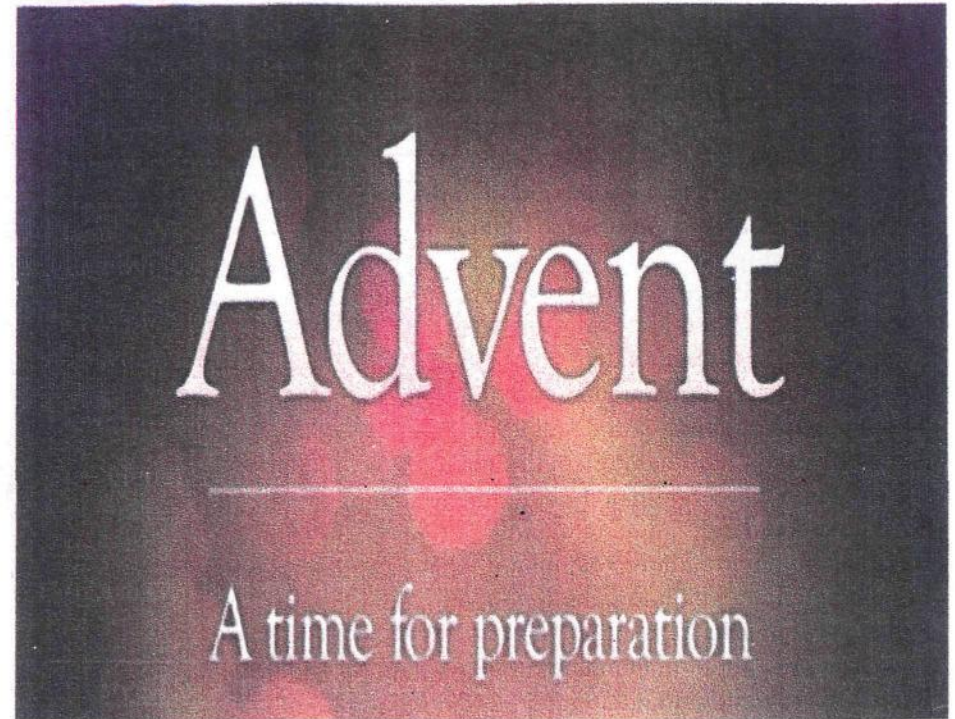
I've got a river of life flowing out of me.  
Makes the lame to walk and the blind to see.  
Opens prison doors, sets the captives free.  
I've got a river of life flowing out of me.

Spring up O well, within my soul,  
Spring up O well, and make me whole.  
Spring up O well, and give to me,  
That life abundantly!

Praise  
with  
Music



Our clean restrooms are located in the Fellowship Hall directly behind the sanctuary.



**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**November 29, 2015**

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Open Minds Bible Class: Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
Worship: Sunday 11:00 a.m.

November 29, 2015

The Lord's Day

First Sunday of Advent

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

**Prelude** (When the music begins we will silence ourselves in an attitude of worship)  
**Lighting of Worship Candles**  
**Call to Worship** Andy Howell  
**Passing of the Peace**  
**\*Hymn** "Joy to the World" No. 246  
**Lighting of the Advent Candle** The Howell Family  
**Welcome Guests, Announcements**  
**The Apostles' Creed** No. 881  
**Act of Praise** Psalm 25:1-10 No. 756  
**Gloria Patri** No. 70  
**Scripture Reading** Luke 1:11-17; 76-79 Erica Reddick  
**Reader:** "The Word of God for the people of God"  
**People:** "Thanks be to God"  
**Praise with Music** "I've Got A River of Life"  
 Jessica Howell and Kaylee Boyd  
**Pastoral Prayer/ Lord's Prayer**  
 (Those desiring prayers for healing may now join the pastor at the altar)  
**Hymn** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" No. 196  
**Worship with Tithes and Offerings**  
**Offertory**  
**\* Doxology** (Our children will now exit for their Bible lesson time)  
**Sermon** "Preparation for Christ" Pastor Ted  
**\* Hymn** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (v. 1-4) No. 211  
**\* Benediction**  
**Postlude** (Let us go forth and reflect the light of Christ to everyone)  
 \* Standing

Lay Leader	Andy Howell
Organist	Anita Yeich
Ushers:	Jimmy Geiger, Evan Reddick, Jared Reddick, George Bradshaw
Communion Steward	Marty Johnson
Greeters	George Bradshaw, Jimmy Geiger, Marty Johnson
Acolyte	Jessica Howell, Kaylee Boyd
Children's Coordinator	Erica Reddick
Sound Board	John Brower



From the Pastor

Today we observe the "First Sunday of Advent". "The word Advent comes from the Latin verb *advenire*, which means "to come toward, to draw near, to approach." During Advent, we remember and celebrate God's

drawing near to us in Jesus Christ, but primarily in the promise of his second coming to bring the promise of the kingdom of God and the renewal of all things to culmination. (UM Discipleship Website).

Children's Home Offering is today.

Christmas Party at Skate Station is on Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, from 5 PM - 8 PM. (See invitation in today's bulletin). We hope to see you there!

Micanopy Community Christmas Service will be held on Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, at First Baptist Church of Micanopy at 7 PM. First Baptist Church of Micanopy Address: 709 NE Cholokka Blvd, Micanopy, FL 32667. (Choir dress rehearsal will be held on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at First Baptist Church of Micanopy. Time to be announced).

Longest Night Service will be held here at First Micanopy United Methodist Church on Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, at 6PM. This is a worship service for acknowledging grief, illness, or loss during the holiday season within the context of anticipating the light of the birth of Christ. Please prayerfully consider attending this service.

Staff Parish Relations Committee Training will be held on Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM at First Gainesville United Methodist Church: First UMC Address: 419 NE First Street, Gainesville, FL 32601

Welcome to our Guests. We get excited when guests accept the welcome to worship with us. It is our prayer you will let us become your church home. Your help is needed in helping us "Know Christ and Make Him Known".