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Donations for December 6th:

General Fund: \$976.80
Fall Festival: \$2,342.96

Thanks to God for Your Faithful Support!



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



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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December 13, 2015

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

December 13, 2015

The Lord's Day

Third 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 Pat Rudolph
Passing of the Peace
***Hymn** "Angels We Have Heard on High" No. 238
Lighting of the Advent Candle The Reddick Family
Welcome Guests, Announcements
The Apostles' Creed No. 881
Act of Praise Psalm 25:1-10 No. 756
Gloria Patri No. 70
Scripture Reading Matthew 1:18-21 Alexis Nelson
Reader: "The Word of God for the people of God"
People: "Thanks be to God"
Pastoral Prayer/ Lord's Prayer
 (Those desiring prayers for healing may now join the pastor at the altar)
Worship with Tithe and Offerings
Offertory
*** Doxology** (Our children will now exit for their Bible lesson time)
Sermon "God as Protector" Pastor Ted
*** Hymn** "The First Noel" (v. 1-4) No. 245
*** 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 "Third 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).

Thank you to Jan Slean for her leadership and organization of the 21st Annual Christmas in Micanopy Concert! Thank you to all who attended and who sang in this service.

Next Church Council Meeting will be held this Tuesday, December 15th at 7 PM in our Fellowship Hall.

Longest Night Service will be held here at First Micanopy United Methodist Church on Sunday, December 20th, at 6PM. This is a worship service held to prepare for the winter solstice. In this service, we will acknowledge grief, illness, or loss during the holiday season within the context of anticipating the light of the birth of Christ. There will be a time of Holy Communion and for prayer. All are welcome. Please prayerfully consider attending this service.

Micanopy/McIntosh Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held on Thursday, December 24th, at McIntosh United Methodist Church at 6 PM. All are invited and encouraged to attend!

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"**.