

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

8:30 a.m. - Contemporary Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship Service

9:45 a.m. - Sunday School

SUNDAY, January 1, 2012 - Happy New Year!

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11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship

MONDAY, January 2

Church Office Closed

4:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Cooking for Christ

TUESDAY, January 3

9:00 a.m. - Church Undecorating Day

9:30 a.m. - Prayer Shawl Knitters

7:00 p.m. - Music Team Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, January 4

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Practice

SUNDAY, January 8

5:30 p.m. - Children's Choir Rehearsal

5:30 p.m. - UMYF

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PO Box 401

(Corner of Church and Road Streets)

Elizabeth City, NC 27907-0401

January 1, 2012

COME ALIVE THROUGH CHRIST, CONNECT TO OTHERS, REACH OUT TO SERVE!!

God Gathers Us Together

Preservice Music

Welcome

Songs of Praise

*O Come, All ye Faithful
O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Opening Prayer

Passing the Peace

*During this time, children are welcome to meet at the back of the room
to go to Children's Church.*

God Speaks to Us

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song

What Child Is This?

Prayers of the People

Offering

Scripture Lesson

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR DECEMBER 25, 2011

Budget for 2011	\$455,012	Sunday School Attendance	
Needed each week	\$8,750	Worship Service Attendance	64
Budget received last Sunday	\$11,845	Early Worship Attendance	
Needed to date	\$455,012	Christmas Eve Service	196
Received to date	\$433,710		
Net Receipts	(\$21,302)		

Every Baptized Member is a Minister

Staff

Joe Casteel, Pastor, (w) 335-1771 (h) 335-7292	Jane Wyson, Preschool Director (w) 335-7615
Diane Carver, Office Administrator, (h) 426-9206	Jeanie Biggs, Bookkeeper, (h) 426-4713
Billy Caudle, 8:30 a.m. Music Director	Shirley Farebee, Housekeeping, (cell) 339-3517
Ray Meigs, 11:00 a.m. Music Director	Danny Peck, Interim Youth Director, (cell) 339-0801

Message

Danny Peck

We Respond to God's Call

Closing Song

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

God Sends Us Forth

Words of Blessing

Postlude

A Holly Jolly Christmas

Our Service of Worship Ends, Our Worship in Service Begins

Welcome to our Contemporary Worship Service. We are delighted you have come and would love to have you for a regular part of our worship and our church life together. We have many opportunities for fellowship, study, and service.

WELCOME.... Today, we joyfully welcome Danny Peck to our pulpit. He is certainly no stranger to us and we are blessed to hear him proclaim God's word today. We give God thanks for Danny and his ministry among us. Pastor Joe will be back in the office on Tuesday.

CHURCH'S NEW ADDRESS.... A new mailbox was installed this week by the glass door, parking lot entrance. Beginning immediately, the new address for the church is 201 S. Road Street, Elizabeth City 27909. The post office box has been closed. Please make this change for your records.

CHURCH UNDECORATING DAY will be Tuesday, January 3rd, at 9:00 a.m. Please come out and help take down all of the Christmas decorations. We need both men and women!!!! Many hands make light work!

UMW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, January 9th, at 10:00 a.m.

2012 OFFERING ENVELOPES are ready for pick up in the Fellowship Hall. Please pick yours up as soon as you can. You will need to start using these on Sunday, January 1st. They are so expensive to mail, so please help out by picking up and delivering ones that are left.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH... Jesus said, "Bring the children to Me... for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these". Please consider donating 45 minutes on a Sunday morning to bring the children to Jesus through our "Children's Church" time. There are materials available for use; the need is for man power. There will be a sign- up sheet in the fellowship area downstairs which runs through June. Please choose a Sunday, and leave your name and e-mail for contact. With the help of many the load will be light. (it would be great to have a rotation that is every 12-16 weeks. Any questions please contact Tammy Campbell 252-435-5109.

ALTAR FLOWERS... Each Sunday, we are blessed to see our Altar adorned with beautiful flowers given by a church member (family) in honor or in memory of loved ones. After the service, the donor family either picks up the flowers or has our Altar Guild deliver them to a person or place (shut-in, nursing home, hospital, etc) of their choice. If you would like to participate in this gift, please contact Kathrine Jackson at 335-1592.

OUTSIDE SIGN.. On November 18 our sign on the corner of Church & Road Street was hit by an unknown vehicle and severely damaged. The unsightly sign will be removed from the Church grounds while we sort things out with the insurance company. In the meantime the trustees are getting estimates to repair the sign and are getting estimates to replace the sign. The trustees must also comply with the regulations of the Historic Commission and the City of Elizabeth City, so this process will take some time.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED.... The church office will be closed on Monday, January 2nd for New Year's.

ORGAN RECITAL... Northeastern NC Chapter American Guild of Organists will sponsor Marty Barstow, organ scholar at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA in recital Saturday, January 7th, at 2 PM. Location will be First Christian Church, Elizabeth City. He will be playing the church's historic 101 year old 3 manual Felgemaker Pipe Organ.