

The Messenger

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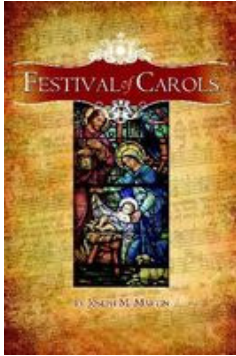
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presented by
The Sanctuary Choir
and
The Sanctuary Bells
with
Harp, Winds, Strings
and Percussion

December 14
9:00 and 11:00 in the morning

This joyful celebration of Christmas music includes readings and carols based on the traditional service of Nine Lessons and Carols, which originated in 1880 in Truro, England. In 1918 the service was adapted for King's College, Cambridge. This traditional English service of Nine Lessons and Carols was later edited for United Methodist congregations, and is now included in the United Methodist Book of Worship.

Joseph Martin, composer of *Festival of Carols*, has arranged the traditional English service of Nine Lessons and Carols to include thoughtful new readings and repertoire which provides opportunity for congregational participation. Over twenty classic carols are incorporated into the work, along with new seasonal selections. Mr. Martin's music can be heard in such diverse locations as Carnegie Hall in New York City; The Lawrence Welk Theatre in Branson, Missouri; and in hundreds of worship services in churches across the United States and Canada.

Soloists from the Sanctuary Choir are Miriam Marchetti, Nanette O'Neill and Tommy Storey. The orchestra includes musicians from the Macon Symphony Orchestra and the Warner Robins Air Force Band. Readers for the service are: Brenda Duke, Rev. Roland Fall, Claire Flowers, Charles Hargrove, Dennis Hooper, Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams, Rev. Billy Kimbrel, Kollyn Lawson, Lanier Moore, Emma O'Neill, and Russell Walker.

The harp prelude will begin fifteen minutes prior to each service. Please join us for this compelling and inspiring service of music.

Blessings,
Jane

The Church At Worship
December 14
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

“Festival of Carols”
By Joseph Martin

No Evening Worship Service



Wednesday, December 24
4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service

Message by
Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams

Childcare Provided

Greeters

9:00 a.m.
Gary and Peggy Crum

11:00 a.m.
George and Janet Nunn

Advent Readers

9:00 a.m.
Mark and Lyle Massey
and Family

11:00 a.m.
Betty Whipple
Jane Whipple



Mission . . . Possible!

The Missions Committee wants you to be in the know about the mission work of PUMC. Each week we'll be highlighting mission projects. This week we are celebrating . .

A Blessed Year of Missions

The Missions Committee of PUMC would like to thank you for allowing us to manage the mission work of our church. We take this responsibility seriously and seek God's guidance for every decision we make. Being a member of this committee is a blessing in itself.

A recent e-mail from the OCC chairman at Byron Methodist told us that they sent 43,000 boxes to the Atlanta OCC Distribution Center. Our church had a large hand in that mission.

Mister Rogers once said, "The real issue in life is not how many blessings we have, but what we do with our blessings. Some people have many blessings and hoard them. Some have few and give everything away." As, we approach the Advent season, let's remember to give our blessings away.

Interested in helping out with missions, please contact . . . Brian Bowen through the church office or at blbowen@aol.com

Epworth By The Sea 2009

January 12 - 14: Warmth in Winter - An Older Adult Event "Pilgrims and Prodigals" A Journey of the Heart Presented by: Singer/Humorist/Storyteller, Ed Kilbourne

For more information call 912-638-8688 or visit www.epworthbythesea.org.

DECEMBER

Sunday, December 14 - Third Sunday in Advent
Christmas Cantata

Sunday, December 21 - Fourth Sunday in Advent

Wednesday, December 24 - 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

CHURCH VAN KEYS



CHECK IT OUT!

If you are going to need one or both of the church vans, please call the office and sign up. You will need to come by the church office by Friday at noon to sign for and "check out" the key(s).



The PUMC Youth are selling poinsettias for \$12. The poinsettias will be used to decorate the Sanctuary for the Advent Season and they can be picked up following the 6 p.m. service on Christmas Eve.

Make your checks payable to: Perry UMC - For Poinsettias. Submit payment with order form in the offering plate or bring it by the church office by December 12. All proceeds go to Youth Missions.

NAME: _____

OF PLANTS _____ AMOUNT PAID \$ _____

IN HONOR OF: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

GIVEN BY: _____

Clip this order form, complete and return with payment to the church office by Friday, December 12 or place in offering plate with payment by Sunday, December 14.

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY:

Capt. Elmo Cooper Wright, III , Lt. William R. Wright, grandsons of Elmo and Elaine Wright

Lt. Barrett Perdue, PFC John Lane Sirmon, grandsons of Rene Fendley Sirmon and John Sirmon

Lt. Phillip Ferris, son of Mark and Gloria Ferris

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 14 (No Evening Worship Service)

Christmas Cantata ~ "Festival of Lessons and Carols" A.M. Services

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship

10:00 a.m. - Sunday School

5:00 p.m. - UMYF and PICNIC

6:00 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir and Sanctuary Bells Christmas Party

Monday, December 15

4:30 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study

6:45 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study - Conference Room

Tuesday, December 16

2:00 p.m. - Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. - Mom's Bible Study

Wednesday, December 17

6:45 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 18

6:00 p.m. - I.H.S. Christmas Party - Fellowship Hall

Friday, December 19

4:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Birthday Party for Rev. Billy Key - Fellowship Hall

Attendance Report 2008	December 7
Morning Worship	531
9:00 a.m.	270
11:00 a.m.	261
Sunday School	314
Evening Worship Children's Play	250
Youth	28

Finance Report 2008	December 7
Budget Needed Weekly	22,376.25
Budget Receipts	25,581.65
Needed Year to Date	1,096,436.25
Disbursements to Date	1,054,706.11
Received Year to Date	1,007,905.90
Other Contributions	
Memorial	50.00
Music Ministry	100.00
Poinsettias	324.00
2009 Pledge/ Contribution	4,000.00



**You're Invited To
A Birthday Party!**
Drop By To Wish
Rev. Billy Key
A Happy 85th Birthday!

Friday, December 19

Between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.
PUMC Fellowship Hall

Your Presence will be Your Present.

If you cannot attend, a card or note
will be wonderful.

Rev. Billy Key
P O Box 583 ~ Perry GA 31069

Church Staff and Our Methodist Connection

Rev. Jenny Jackson-Adams	Senior Pastor
Rev. Roland Fall	Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
Rev. Billy Kimbrel	Associate Pastor for Evangelism
Dr. Billy Key	Pastor Emeritus
Krissy Pope	Children's Pastor & Dir. Of Christian Ed.
Jane Kimbrel	Minister of Music
Miriam Marchetti	Music Associate/Pianist

John Williams, Building Supt.
Dicky Gilbert, Audiovisual Tech.
Leslie Mercer, Financial Secretary
Ginger Vance, Admin. Assistant
Grace Daniel, Organist
Deborah Walker, Pianist
Alice Releford, Custodian

Nursery Workers
Christie Rooks
Linda Hall
Amanda Suttmueller

Bishop James R. King, Jr.
Rev. Ronnie Wills

Resident Bishop
District Superintendent