

Hawthorne Lane
United Methodist Church



CHRISTMAS

December 25, 2011

11:00 am

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Order of Worship

ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

Gathering		Carolyn Horton, Pianist
Greetings and Announcements		
Prelude		Jim Busby, Organist
*Hymns	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	UMH 238
	<i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	UMH 240
*Sharing the Peace of Christ		
*Glory Be to the Father		UMH 70

PROCLAMATION

Children's Message		
*Hymn	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	UMH 234
*The Scripture	John 1: 1-14	Pew Bible p. 84
Sermon	"And the Darkness Has Not Overcome"	Pastor Andrew

RESPONSE

*Hymn	<i>Love Came Down at Christmas</i>	UMH 242
Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer		
Offering and Offertory		
*Dedication	<i>What Can I Give Him?</i>	UMH 221
	<i>What can I give him poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; if I were a Wise Man, I would do my part; yet what I can I give him: give my heart.</i>	
*Hymn of Response	<i>Go, Tell it on the Mountain</i>	UMH 251
*Blessing		
*Chimes of the Trinity		
*Postlude		

**Please stand as you are willing and able.*

Congregational Life

Welcome to Our Guests

Sunday School 9:45 am
Sunday Worship 11:00 am
Wednesday Communion 6:30 pm

This morning your infant or toddler is welcome in the worship service.

Covenant Renewal Service

Hawthorne Lane United Methodist Church will conduct a covenant renewal service on New Year's Eve at 5:30 pm in the sanctuary Chapel. All are invited to this service focused on committing to God through worship, prayer and solemn assembly.

Mission Opportunities

We still need volunteers for **RITI**, which continues each Tuesday through March. The sign up book is on the Information Table in the sanctuary.

Last Sunday we gave our missionary gifts; these offerings are still being received if you didn't have a chance last Sunday.

Worship in the New Year

Next Sunday, January 1, 2012 at 11:00 am, Pastor Andrew will preach on the "Character of a Methodist Service of Worship."

Beginning Sunday, January 8, a new worship series begins: "**This We Believe**," a journey through the beliefs of the Christian church with the Bible and our Apostle's Creed as a guide.

New Wednesday Night Study

Begins January 4, 2012

"Mere Christianity by C. S. Lewis" - led by Mary Ellen Jones. Meets in Room 203, 7-8 pm.

Mark Your Calendars and Plan to Attend:

Marriage Enrichment Seminar

February 4, 2012 - 8:30-12:30
JOY Outlook Room
Childcare available

Watch for more information in the January *Hawthorne Happenings*.

Altar Flowers for 2012

If you would like to give flowers in honor or in memory of someone, please contact Brenda Soltys in the church office 704-332-8131.

Please pick up your poinsettias after worship today.





Happenings at Hawthorne



Sunday, December 25:

11:00 am - Morning Worship

Monday, December 26:

7:00 am - Men's Devotional, Lounge

12 noon - AA, Evans Hall/Lounge

7:00 pm - Church Basketball, gym

Tuesday, December 27:

6:30 pm - Room In The Inn

Wednesday, December 28:

6:30 pm - Holy Communion, Chapel

7:00 pm - Disciple 4, Zumba

Thursday, December 29:

12 noon - AA, Evans Hall

Saturday, December 31:

10:30 am - Church Basketball

5:30 pm - Watch Night Service

Sunday, January 1:

9:45 am - Sunday School

11:00 am - Morning Worship

The Church Office will be closed
December 26 and 27 and January 2.

Miller Class Breakfast
Sunday, January 8, 2012

SERVING JOYFULLY TODAY

Ushers and Greeters: **Carl Smallridge, Becky Smallridge, Sarah Urrey, Nancy Crockford, Jerry Adams, Al Davis, Bobbie Davis

Acolytes: Aileena Rush, Cole Rempson

Counters: Hester/Barrett/Kilgo

Mug Minister: Doug Johnson

Pastors:

Rev. Andrew Brown, Senior Pastor

Rev. Bob Arnold, Pastor of Visitation

**on call for nursery*

***Safe Sanctuary floater*



Saturday,
December
31, 2011

5:30 pm

Hawthorne Lane
Church is a Stephen
Ministry Congregation



Financial Corner Praise Point!

200 guests experienced our Live Nativity presentations
last Sunday night.

	<u>11/30/2011</u>	<u>11/30/2011</u>	
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
Congregational Giving	\$395,964	\$441,187	\$(45,223)
Ministry Expenses	\$412,654	\$441,187	\$(28,533)
Excess/(Deficit)	\$(16,690)		\$(16,690)