

This Week

Sunday, December 18

9:00 a.m. Celebration & Praise
9:50 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. PIT CREW
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
1:00 p.m. *Stamm student piano recital in the Sanctuary*

Monday, December 19

6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop in the Taylor Room
6:30 p.m. Family Volleyball in the FLC
7:00 p.m. *Finance Committee meeting, Library*

Tuesday, December 20

6:30 p.m. *Personnel meeting, Library*
6:30 p.m. *Den meeting*

Wednesday, December 21

10:30 a.m. Wednesday Winners
2:30 p.m. The Shed (MS Outreach)
5:00 p.m. Helix (MS Youth)
6:30 p.m. Pickleball
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir practice

Thursday, December 22

6:00 p.m. RAW (HS Youth)

Friday, December 23

Office closed

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

7:00 p.m. *Christmas Eve Service*
11:00 p.m. *Christmas Eve Service*

Monday through Friday

9:00 a.m. Heart & Hands Preschool
12:45 p.m. Heart & Hands Preschool

Coming Events

Sunday, December 25

10:00 a.m. *One Service (no Sunday School)*

Monday, December 26

Office closed

Tuesday, December 27

Newsletter deadline

2:00 p.m. *New Member Orientation in the Library*

Friday, December 30

Office closed

Sunday, January 1

10:00 a.m. *One Service (no Sunday School)*

Monday, January 2

Office closed

Tuesday, January 3

2:00 p.m. *New Member Orientation in the Library*
7:00 p.m. *Trustees meeting in the Library*

Wednesday, January 4

11:00 a.m. *Provisional Member Mentoring Group in the Library*

For Cheer and Hello

Liz Anderson	Iris McGahan
Mary Evelyn Bell	Lucille Miller
Carol Berkey	Beverly Nimmo
David Bretz	Robert & Carmen Parsons
Virginia Caswell	Char Rice
Alice Dibble	Marv & Kitty Starbuck
Barb Griner	Al Thomas
Pat McClelland	Mina Willett

For Hope and Healing

Jack and Cynda Buckallew
Marilyn Butcher (Vera Walker's niece)
Lisa Coe
Carol Heidarisa (Sue Moberly-Hayes's sister)
Lila (Barb and Brad Addis's granddaughter)
Tyler Lynch
Darcy Osborn
Gordon Oswald
Bob Parsons
Bryan Scott (Ken & Deb Franklin)
Linda Smith (Lisa Coe's mother)
Joel Smola

For Lost Loved Ones

Barbara Wagner (John Wagner's mother)

Mission Moment—Plus 10 Families

December 18:
December 25: Joe & Betty Gruber
January 1:

Celebrations

Birthdays	12/24 Bruce Graves
12/18 Logan Workman	Elton Lang
12/19 Vern Reed	Anniversaries
Matthew Sponseller	12/22 Larry & Lavon
Sharon Steinacker	Rolfe
12/20 Jim Goecker	Arden & Penny
Tamra Stafford	Sult
12/22 Caleb Asher	

*We are alive in Christ. We love God, we care for one another,
and we help people here and around the world.*

Sunday, December 18, 2016
Fourth Sunday of Advent

11:00 a.m.
Pastor: Dr. Buff W. Coe



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2016
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
11:00 A.M.

Prayer Focus for the Week

Heavenly Father, thank you for Your Word revealed through a tiny child.

Entrance

Prelude
 *Entrance of the Light (Please rise as the acolytes bring the light into the sanctuary.)
 Greeting
 Lighting of the Advent Candles
 Hymn 2090 The Cannizzaro Family
 *Hymn of Praise 249 Light the Advent Candle (stanza 4)
 *Opening Prayer There's a Song in the Air

Proclamation and Response

Cantata
 *Affirmation of Faith 882 O Bethlehem Rejoice
 A Time of Prayer The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version

Thanksgiving

Ministry Opportunities
 Offering of Our Gifts to God
 Offertory
 *Doxology No Room, No Room
 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
 (sung to the tune "O Tannenbaum")
 *Prayer of Thanksgiving
 *The Lord's Prayer

Sending Forth

*Dismissal with Blessing
 *Choral Response Hallelujah
 *Postlude
 *Recessional (Please remain in place as the acolytes carry the light out into the world.)

Today's acolytes are October Moberley and Owen Moberley

December 11 attendance: 9:00 a.m. = 39 11:00 a.m. = 77

Membership Orientation Sessions

All adults and high school students who are interested in joining Vicksburg United Methodist Church are invited to attend two orientation sessions that will be held from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 27, and Tuesday, January 3. Our new members will be welcomed into the congregation during the worship services on Sunday, January 8. For more information, contact Pastor Buff.

It's the New Testament Portion of Disciple Fast Track !!!

Lots of time to sign up if you haven't already. For this half of Fast Track, the book is only \$15.00. We get together on Thursday evenings at 6:30, starting January 5. Come on and join in!! Contact John Cleveland, Vera Walker, or the Church office if interested.

Confirmation Letters for 2017 Pledges

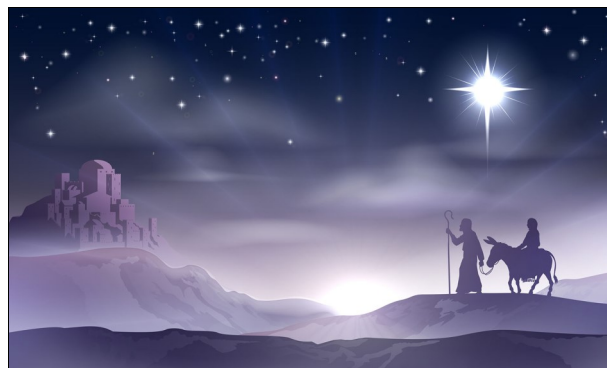
Confirmation letters for the 2017 pledges are in the Narthex. If you submitted a pledge card and do not have a confirmation letter, email Vicksburgumc@gmail.com with your name, phone number and the amount(s) you pledged.

Scrip Cents Order Dates

The next order dates for Scrip Cents are Tuesdays, December 20 and January 3, no later than 2:00 p.m.

In Service to Our Country

Zach Fenwick	Walker Polsinelli
Matt Kohler	Tyler Smith
Jeff Kudary	Richie Steinacker
Ryan Miller	Nathan Stevens



Now Hiring

We are looking for a **Financial Assistant** to work 15 hours a week. For more information or to apply, contact Pastor Buff.

Heart and Hands Preschool is looking for a long-term substitute to cover a maternity leave for one of our teachers.

- Requirements: an early education teaching degree or CDA certification
- Responsibilities: teaching a M/W/F 4's class 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and a T/TH 3's class 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
- Time frame: January 9- May 26
- Pay Rate: \$50 per day

Please contact preschool director Amber Morris for more information: 269-649-2343 ext. 106 or heartandhands@vicksburgumc.org

