

***HYMN #66** "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

***CHARGE and BLESSING**

Response: Alleluia! Amen.

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

*God be with you 'til we meet again;
By His counsel guide uphold you,
with His sheep securely fold you,
God be with you 'til we meet again.*

***PASSING of the PEACE**

You are invited to share the peace of Christ with one another as you depart.

At Montevallo Presbyterian Church, we will

- *glorify God,*
 - *grow as disciples, and*
 - *care for people and creation.*
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Prayer Concerns

Bobbie Anderson
Keith Bidwell
Caitlyn Bidwell
Mary Caley
Marcie Chapman
Auralia Crowell
Hayden Evans
Johnnie Hall
Leo & Christine Horton
W.F. & Ida Mae Horton
Sam Lamonica
Allen Reese

Announcements

- Please welcome Molly Clark to our pulpit today! Molly is our liaison to the Committee on Ministry at the Presbytery and a retired UAB chaplain. Molly lives in Helena with her husband Colquitt "Coke." We have enjoyed and appreciated her preaching and guidance on many occasions. Please be sure to welcome and thank her!
 - Wendy will be back in the office tomorrow afternoon, January 4.
 - Adult and Youth Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Sundays.
 - Tuesday morning Bible Study on Acts, 9:00 a.m. at the Forbes House (no study this Tuesday, January 5).
 - College Fellowship will resume on Tuesday, January 12 (5:30 p.m.)
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Church Directory

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Rev. Wendy Hare – *Pastor* Stacie Harris – *Secretary*
Jane Clayton, Flo Peters – *Interim Musicians*

Class of 2009
Gene Grimes
Michele Pawlik

The Session
Class of 2010
Jane Clayton
Bill Peters

Class of 2011
Keith Bidwell
Judy Rogers

Montevallo Presbyterian Church (USA)

Service for the Lord's Day

2nd Sunday after Christmas

January 3, 2010

11:00 A.M.



To all who are weary and need rest, who are lonely and desire companionship, who mourn and want comfort, who sin and need a Savior, and to whoever wishes to come, this church opens its doors.

Welcome

We welcome our visitors, friends, and members to worship as we glorify God on this Lord's Day. You are invited to prepare your heart and mind for worship in silence during the prelude. * indicates moments in the service when you are invited to stand if you are comfortable doing so.

We Prepare

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL to WORSHIP

*Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
Let earth receive her king;
Let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing!*

RESPONSIVE CALL to WORSHIP (from Psalm 147)

Praise the Lord, O people of God!
For he strengthens the bars of our gates,
he blesses our children,
he grants peace within our borders,
he fills us with the finest of wheat.
Praise the Lord, O people of God!
Let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN #63** "As with Gladness Men of Old"
(tune of For the Beauty of the Earth)

PRAYER of CONFESSION

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace, and live in the truth of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENCE

ASSURANCE of GRACE

Friends, believe the good news and be at peace:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

***HYMN of GRACE**

*Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost,
but now am found, was blind but now I see.*

We Hear

FIRST SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 31:10-14

SECOND SCRIPTURE..... Ephesians 1:3-14

SERMON....."Oh the Blessedness!"

We Respond

***HYMN #29** "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

***AFFIRMATION of FAITH: The Apostle's Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

TITHES and OFFERINGS

***THE DOXOLOGY (UNISON, #592)**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER of THANKSGIVING**