



"Our Mission is to be a church honoring God through loving service to others".
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Greetings in the name of Christ Jesus,

It is so hard to believe it is already a new year! I pray God's Blessings for you and your families in this coming year. It will be a tremendous year of opportunity for us to show our Lord's Love to all we meet.

As we begin the year, I would like to thank all those who are in leadership positions in the church. Some of you will be coming off your committees and taking a much deserved rest. Thank You for your dedication and willingness to serve our Lord! Some will be continuing in service and for you I will keep you in prayer and rejoice in your service.

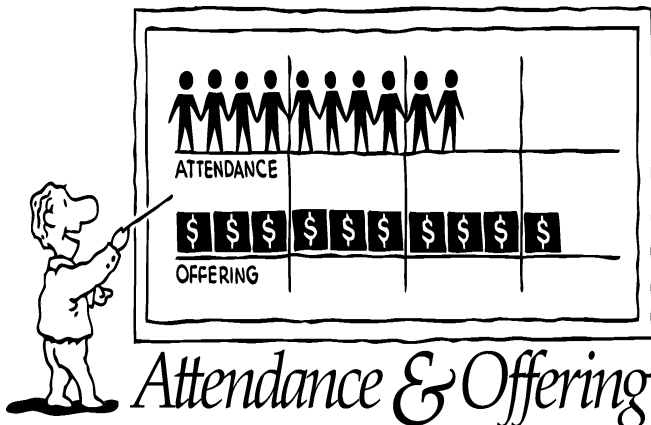
For those, who for the first time, will be serving... we welcome you and are here to uplift you in prayer and support. Your dedication to be willing to try new things as being called by the Spirit is admirable and we will all keep you in our prayers.

On a personal note from me to you... Thank you for a Blessed year. Your displays of love and kindness over the time I have been with you have been a true blessing to myself and my family. Your Prayers and Gifts have warmed my heart and blurred my vision. Thank you so much!

God Bless each and every one of you,
Pastor Dave



The greatest tool for Spreading the Gospel is the same tool Jesus Christ used... invitation.



DATE	ATTENDANCE	OFFERING
Dec 4	28	1,038.62
Dec 11	31	421.00
Dec 18	38	445.25
Dec 25	43	436.00
		\$ 2,340.87



God has given us two hands: one to receive with and the other to give with. We are not cisterns made for hoarding; we are channels made for giving. ~ Billy Graham

Attendance & Offering



Altar Flowers will be given to glorify God:

- Jan 01: In Honor of Jerrie Johnson's Birthday by Clint & Sara Troutman.
- Jan 08: In Honor my sister Barbara Samples Birthday by Darlene Samples.
- Jan 15: In Honor my dad, Gene Samples Birthday by Darlene Samples.
- Jan 22: In Honor of Wanda Lowery's Birthday by Gene & Rebecca Riggins.
- Jan 29: In Memory of Howard Sutton by MaryAnn Davis, Wanda Lowery & Rebecca Riggins.

January Worship Servants

- Acolyte: Darlene Samples*
- Bass Player: Travis Chamlee*
- Children's Church: Nancy Johnson & Mandy Skinner*
- Communion Assistant:*
- Liturgist: Carla Tomasko*
- Pastor: Rev. David Fisher*
- Pianist & Choir Director: Nancy Finch*
- Song Leader: Dave Boyce*
- Ushers: Roy Mitchell & Wanda Lowery*

If you feel called to help in the Worship service, let Pastor or the Worship Committee know!

Join us each Sunday!

Sunday School begins at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Building.

Happy January Birthday !

- 02 David Blalock II
- 05 Ryan English
- 08 Mindy Shelnut
- 12 Rico Wilson
- 25 Wanda Lowery
- 27 Duane Roll
- 31 Pat Mitchell



Please note: If you don't see your name on our birthday list, please let us know! We may not have your birthday in our data base.

Actual Church Bulletin Bloopers:

"Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Jack's sermons."

"During the absence of our Pastor, we enjoyed the rare privilege of hearing a good sermon when J.F. Stubbs supplied our pulpit."

"Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help."

*And I though my bloopers were bad!
Pastor Dave*

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*Choir Rehearsal is held following Services at 12:15 pm.
Please note: There is NO Choir Rehearsal on January 1st*



*The First Sunday Lunch will be back in February!
Wednesday, January 18 at 6pm: Monthly Family Dinner.*



- January 7 at 10 AM: Take down Decorations.*
- January 8 at 2:30 pm: Administrative Committee meets.*
- January 14 at 10:00 AM: UMW meets.*
- 10:30 AM: Worship meets.*
- 12:00 PM: S/PPR meets.*

Ongoing Ministry:

Did you know that behind the Fellowship Building is a wagon that serves as a mission collection for our old aluminum cans? Bring your cans in anytime.

Children's Church News

Mandy Skinner

The Children's Church area has been repainted and revamped recently. We have been studying Paul and the first Christian church and how Christianity started to spread.

Most recently, we have been talking about the birth of the Christ child and the events that lead to this blessed event.

We are planning a lunch and dinner out to the movies for the children. A date has not been set as of yet. We have discussed seeing The Muppet Movie!

Dinner News

On Wednesday, December 21, at 6:00pm at Anvil Block Church, we had our annual Christmas Dinner for all the families of our church plus the welcomed visitors in our area. The meal was enjoyed by all and everyone enjoyed the gifts given out by the reindeers. Santa Claus stopped by to give out bags of delicious fruit to everyone and wish them a very Merry Christ filled Christmas...

*Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year
Joyce*

Doctors' Comments On Patient Charts:

"Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year."

"On the 2nd day the knee was better and on the 3rd day it disappeared completely."

"The patient has been depressed ever since she began seeing me in 1993."

"Discharge status: Alive but without permission."

"Healthy appearing decrepit 69 year-old male, mentally alert but forgetful."

"The patient refused an autopsy."

Evangelism News

Evangelism would like to take this opportunity to thank all who join together and work to make our events a success!

The nearly-new Handbags and Christmas Goodies Bags were accepted with great appreciation by the Director of Activates at East Lake Arbor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

This was our Mission Project for October & November and were delivered in December to be given to the ladies who participate in their activities program.

Sara Troutman

Men's Group News

On December 18, 2011, the UMM held their annual Christmas Breakfast for the Church. There were 20 to 25 present, and all enjoyed a great breakfast prepared by Keith Tomasko and wife Carla.

Normally, the men cook the breakfast at the church, but this year, we were so short of men due to sickness of one sort or another, and other obligations, Keith volunteered to do all the cooking and catered the entire breakfast, with Carla's help! And it was a great breakfast, and so was the fellowship.

Because of my hospitalization, the UMM have had to cancel several of our scheduled meetings. Now that I am out of that place, we want to get started again with our regular meetings which are scheduled every other month on the third Sunday at 8:30 am at the Fellowship Hall. We plan to start our regular meetings on February 19, 2012.

I ask and invite all the men to be there!

Don't forget our next Church Breakfast which will be Easter Morning after the Sunrise Service. We need all the help we can get.

*Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year!!!
Dave Boyce*

"A zebra does not change its spots." -- *Al Gore*

"If Lincoln was alive today, he'd roll over in his grave." -- *Gerald Ford*

"Do not use for drying pets." -- *In the manual for a microwave oven.*



**Anvil Block, UMc
cookbook**

**STILL Feeding
the Flock**

is HERE!

We still have some! For cookbooks, please contact Carla at 404-343-9751 or tomas-ko231@charter.net Price of cookbook is \$10.00.

Worship News

Come, Let us Worship the Lord!

When you are on your way to church on Sundays, are you looking forward to joining in worship with family and friends or is your journey just a routine activity that has been part of your life as far back as you can remember? What does "worship" mean to you? Is our Sunday worship meeting all your expectations and needs for spiritual nourishment?

The Worship Committee will be meeting quarterly in 2012 to evaluate the various aspects of our worship services on Sunday and how the worship can relate to each of us. The committee will be searching for ways of making our weekly meetings in God's House more meaningful and helpful to all who attend. Dave Boyce chooses the hymns which he feels would enhance the sermon topics. The committee rechecks his choices to make sure the hymns are familiar to the congregation. Discussions concerning the content of the worship services and the process of seeking new ways that would make the worship time more helpful take place at each meeting.

Worship includes many facets: reading God's Word, singing, preaching, praying, praising God, partaking of the Lord's Supper, sharing God's love and caring about our Christian brothers and sisters. The Worship Committee would like your input, so let the committee know what is on your mind. Do you have a request or suggestion that you feel might be incorporated into the services? Note: One suggestion has already been made: more singing! Remember--always allow the Holy Spirit guide all your thoughts and actions.

Have a blessed month and "in everything give thanks !"

Nancy Finch

Chairperson, Worship Committee

Do we have the correct priorities
or do we have political correctness?

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Thanks to Dad Hengeveld (See Matthew 6:19-21) 01-12-2004

**BUT I JUST GOT EVERYTHING BOUGHT,
INSTALLED, AND CONFIGURED PROPERLY**

UMW News

We, the Anvil Block United Methodist Women have had the honor of serving our Lord and Savior this year extending love and compassion to each other, guests and community.

Our membership is now 15 as of October-2011

The Jan. meeting of the United Methodist Women consisted of an installation of officer's service and continued as we had a business meeting closed with prayer and a light lunch.

The Feb. meeting included business for the following month, Decisions for mission projects, fellowship and prayerful devotion as we unite in love and unity for humankind.

March-Designated day of prayer and self denial, Special offering. Response to missions. Concerns for others who are not so fortunate, afflictions and praise for answered prayer.

April- October scheduled meetings included hosting The Executive Committee Meeting for Griffin District, A complimentary brunch, Donations for missions, Home baked items donated for Chicken Stew Fundraiser to be held in Oct... Our Annual Fall Festival invitation extended to community-centered on children enjoying fun, food, and fun in a safe structured environment with adult supervision on Oct. 31.

Thanksgiving is a reverently celebrated holiday at Anvil Block as is missions for Christmas adopt-a-family. Food for the homeless donated to Calvary Refuge. Battered women with children who are needy and lack financial abilities at this time.

A heartfelt thanks to all who gave of their time, gifts, offerings and service, as a part of their love for their God and the ministries of Anvil Block united to support our motto "A church honoring God by service to others."

Sara Troutman

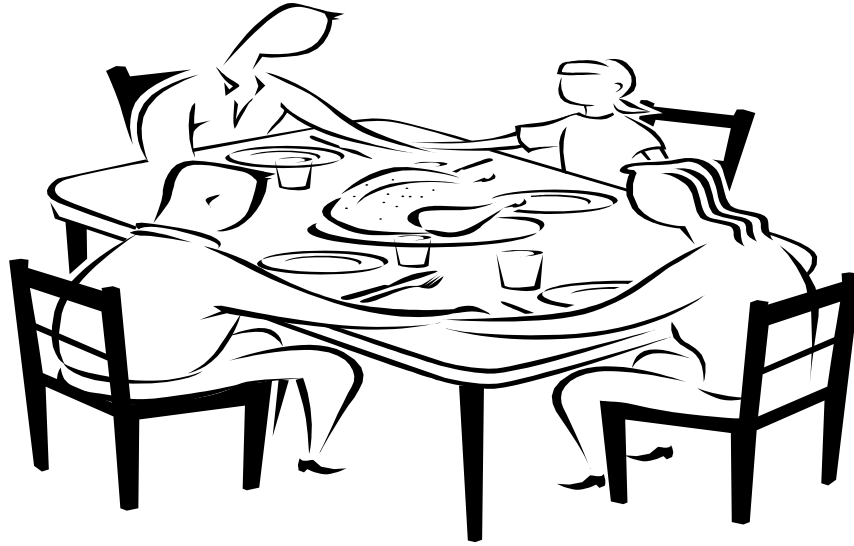
Administrative Council News

Our bimonthly meetings have been changed to the first Sunday at 2:00 every other month. The trustees have made many improvements to the fellowship hall and the Children's Church area to make it nicer and more children friendly. We also have two certified teachers present at all times when there are classes for children. Our mission statement suggested by Patsy Mitchell and adopted by Anvil Block's Administrative Council is "A Church honoring GOD by loving service to others"

Clint Troutman

Chair, Administrative Committee

Our next meeting will be January 8, 2012 at 2:30 pm



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Clint Troutman (Pneumonia), Dot Bond, Pat Mitchell, Pam Randall-recovering from Thyroid surgery, Alicia Hyatt, Joyce Boyce (undergoing extensive testing), Amanda Grace Sullivan, Lorene Hamrick, Rebecca Yerta, Karen Camp, Margret Glover, Gloria Chamlee, Brian Riley, Pastor Dave's Aunt Millie, Baby Khole and the Gredig family (especially Avery who, after coming out unscathed from the car accident, had a part of the roof fall on his head and hand at home!).

GREAT NEWS OF GOD'S BLESSINGS!!!

*Dave Boyce is recovering very well and has much more energy after his Pacemaker up-grade!
Clint Troutman is getting stronger.
The Gredig family has been able to rejoin us at Services!
Pam Randall is recovering from her Thyroid Surgery.*

Visitors we welcomed in december

We were very blessed to welcome Ms. Kathryn Bloodworth.

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Mandy Smith (Tabitha's sister -in-law) was called home on December 15th.

Children's funnies...

A little boy was in a relative's wedding. As he was coming down the aisle he would take two steps, stop, and turn to the crowd (alternating between bride's side and groom's side), put his hands up like claws, and roar. Step, step, ROAR, step, step, ROAR, all the way down the aisle. The crowd was near tears from laughing so hard by the time he reached the pulpit. The little boy, however, was getting more and more distressed from all the laughing and was almost crying by the time he reached the pulpit. When asked what he was doing, the child sniffed and said, "I was being the Ring Bear."

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