

Welcome!

We welcome you in
the name of Christ!

Please come as you are!

May you experience God's love
and healing in this place and time.

May you find strength and hope
for the journey ahead.

Thank you for joining your heart
and hands with ours in worship
and service.

Our Vision:

- To “be” and to “make”
disciples of Jesus Christ.
- To offer relevant, life-
changing worship.
- To share God's love in
action and words.

Our Mission:

We exist to glorify God;
are led by God's Spirit;
grounded in His Word;
worshipping one Lord ~
Jesus Christ;
united by one faith;
offering hope and transformation;
providing opportunities for
witness and service in our
community and world.

THIS WEEK AT WESTOVER HILLS

SUN, Nov. 29

8:45 a.m. Casual Worship (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

TUE, Dec. 1

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting (Wesley Library)

WED, Dec. 2

6:00 p.m. Family Night Dinner (Social Hall)
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

SUN, Dec. 6

8:45 a.m. Casual Worship (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages (Classrooms)
11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Westover Hills United Methodist Church

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Westover Hills United Methodist Church

November 29, 2009

First Sunday In Advent

11:00 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Gathering & Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Ministry Opportunities

† Hymns *Emmanuel, Emmanuel* No. 204
 Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus No. 196

† Call to Worship

Show us your mercy, O Lord. Send us a sign of your presence and love.

Grant us your salvation, Lord, for we are weary and worn.

The Lord's truth shall indeed be among us.

God's righteousness shall come from heaven to be in our midst.

And there shall be peace to all who turn to God in their hearts.

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Opening Prayer

Give to us all, dear God, a sense of your presence and peace. In the dark night of the world's anguish, we pray to you out of our need. Hear us as we come, intensely along, yet holding hands in the darkness, making one another's cares our own. Strengthen the prophets, the peacemakers, the dreamers, and the dancers of life. Surprise us today by a new star that lights the sky, giving us hope and banishing our despair. In the name of the One who is coming, Amen.

† Hymn *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* No. 211

† Passing the Peace of Christ

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Margaret Hill & Winona Bayne

Old Testament Lesson Jeremiah 33:14-16 O.T. Pg. 694

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

New Testament Lesson Luke 21:25-36 N.T. Pg. 80

Message **Lift Up Your Heads** **Pastor Wells**

Prayer Concerns and Prayer

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

Offertory **Chancel Choir**

† Doxology *Advent Doxology*
(Sing to the tune of *Infant Holy*)

**Glory be to God the Father, glory be to Christ the Son,
glory to the Holy Spirit, glory to the Three-in-One.
Here we offer to you gladly, all the gifts that you impart,
As we glory in your presence, giving from a grateful heart.**

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† Benediction

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness have not overcome it. Go in grace, to walk in the light.

† Hymn *Lift Up Ye Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* No. 213

† Postlude

† You are invited to stand if you are able.

Hearing devices are available. Please see an usher.

Lay Reader: Anita Tetterton

FIRST RESPONDERS

11/29/09 Miller & Mary Ann Cole 12/06/09 Bob & Loreen Johnson
12/13/09 Sandy & Dianne Brink 12/20/09 Fred Jewett & Ann Field

PRAYER CONCERNS

Florence Brittain
Elwood Cheatham
Lynwood Creech
Rev. Calvin and Marian Cooper
Ken Cunningham
Agnes Fainter
Luther and Maxine Fitch
Denise Hornberger
Brandon Islip
Ruth Jett & Family
Courtney May
Helen Miller
Branch Moore
Virginia Odor
Shirley Reams
George Ready
Grady & Peggy Shamel
Jessie Stanley
Virginia Wells
Jeff Whitaker
Elizabeth WilkinsonI

If you have a prayer need please fill out a prayer card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We will add the name of members and loved ones that need our prayers.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Carl and Helen Lynn in memory of their parents.