

## *First Sunday in Advent*

*Color: Purple*

### *Next Sunday's Scriptures:*

Isaiah 40:1-11

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Mark 1:1-8

### *Flowers on the Altar:*

Are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Joseph Speranza's 21st year of successful transplant, and in memory of his organ donor.

### *Our Thoughts & Prayers to:*

Karen Ter Meer, Coy Jones,

Sue Howard, Virginia McLeod,

Lori Culberson, Chuck Cramer,

Kitty Blackburn, Bill Colagiovanni,

Sharon Preston, Fran Applegarth,

Tom Myatt, Lynn Mills,

Venie Weather, Alice Schmelzer,

Emily Ashworth, Shirley Baker,

Andre Carson, Dub Hornsby,

Shirley Hicks, Maxine Senter,

Vickie Cardin, Kevin & Debbi Braswell,

Diane Rubin, John & Beth Silveira,

Phil McCray, PJ Ramsey, Clay King,

Ellen Tinsley

### *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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### *The ABC's of God's Salvation*

*If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. ~Romans 10:9-10*

**A:** Admit that you are a sinner.

**B:** Be willing to repent and turn away from your sins.

**C:** Believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for you.

**D:** Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come in and control your life through the Holy Spirit. Receive him as your personal Lord and Savior.

### *A Simple Prayer of Faith*

*Dear God, I know that I am a sinner. I am sorry for the sins, and I want to turn away from them. I trust your Son Jesus Christ alone as my Savior, and I confess Him as Lord. I thank Jesus for dying for me. From this moment on, I want to serve Him and follow Him in the fellowship of His church. In the name of Jesus Christ, I pray.*

**At Fuquay-Varina United Methodist Church,**

**We worship Jesus, the Risen and Living Christ, as our Lord and Savior. Please feel welcome to come and join us for worship.**

# Welcome!

*We are blessed by your presence with us today!*

If you are visiting our church, please read the following information in regards to your visit! We hope you will make FVUMC your home!

### *The Welcome Center*

Visit our Welcome Center (located in the lobby) following each worship service so that we might personally greet you and share further information about the ministries of our church.

### *Worship in our Sanctuary*

Also known as our Centrum  
8:00am Contemplative Service  
9:30am Contemporary Service  
11:00am Traditional Service

### *Sunday School for All*

Classes for Adults and Youth (6th thru 12th) are held in the Adult/Youth Wing which is to the right as you leave the Centrum.

### *Classes for Children*

(pre-K to 5th grade) are held in the Children's Wing which are to the left as you leave the Centrum.

### *Nursery/Childcare*

Infants to toddlers are invited to stay in the nursery. The nursery is to the left as you leave the Centrum.

### *Fellowship Pads*

Are normally passed down the aisle during Worship. Please complete so we can get to know you and you get to know those around you!

### *Prayer Requests*

If you have a special prayer request, please visit our website or call the church office. Prayers are shared with our pastors and fellow prayer warriors.

### *Membership Class*

If you are interested in joining our church family, the Connecting Classes are held several times a year. Sign up at the Welcome Center!

### *Lobby Opportunities*

Our lobby is full of activities and information! Please help yourself to the refreshments as you visit and discover many opportunities available to you! Don't forget to stop by the Welcome Center!

### *Announcements*

The Weekly Times are normally within the Bulletin. You may also sign up with the church office to have them emailed to you!

### *Newsletter*

The Wellspring is printed on a monthly basis. A copy is available in the Welcome Center or the church office. If you would like to receive the newsletter via email or postal, please contact the church office.

### *Website*

www.fvumc.org



## Welcome to Fuquay-Varina United Methodist Church!

FVUMC is a Christ-centered community that loves God, learns God, serves God, and shares God.

## Getting Ready

November 27, 2011



**Senior Pastor: Albert Shuler**  
**Associate Pastor: Elaine Lilliston**

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# 8:00 Worship

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Gathering Music Diana Thomas & Mary Siachames  
Call to Worship reJoySing  
*Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord*  
Words of Greeting and Grace  
Silent Reflection  
Centering Music *Until Jesus Comes*  
Lighting of the Advent Wreath  
Opening Prayer  
Hymn of Praise UMH 196  
*Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*  
Celebrations & Concerns  
Call to Prayer UMH 213  
*Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*  
Pastoral Prayer  
Offertory Scripture Luke 1:46b-47, 49  
Offertory *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* reJoySing  
Offertory Chorus Celebration 240  
*Of The Father's Love Begotten*  
Prayer for Illumination  
Scripture Lesson Matthew 24:36-44  
Sermon *Getting Ready*  
Rev. Albert Shuler  
  
Prayer of Confession  
The Great Thanksgiving  
The Lord's Prayer  
Holy Communion  
*Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming* Celebration 255  
*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* UMH 626  
Benediction  
Choral Benediction UMH 202  
*People Look East*  
Postlude

# 9:30 Worship

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Gathering Music  
Call to Worship *Bring Salvation* Praise Team  
Welcome  
Songs of Praise  
*Come Now Is The Time To Worship*  
*Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*  
*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*  
Lighting of the Advent Wreath  
Opening Prayer  
  
*Children (K-2nd grade) may now move toward the lobby with their leaders  
to continue their worship through the ministry of Children's Church.*  
  
Call to Prayer *Emmanuel, Emmanuel*  
Pastoral Prayer  
The Lord's Prayer  
Offertory *I Will Not Forget You*  
Offertory Prayer  
Scripture Lesson Matthew 24:36-44  
Sermon *Getting Ready*  
Rev. Albert Shuler  
  
Closing Song  
*Glorious One*  
  
Benediction

# 11:00 Worship

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Prelude Diana Thomas  
Words of Greeting and Grace  
Gathering Chorus *Emmanuel, Emmanuel* UMH 204  
Lighting of the Advent Wreath  
Opening Hymn UMH 196  
*Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*  
  
Special Music *I Will Not Forget You*  
Celebrations and Concerns  
Call to Prayer Celebration 292  
*Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne*  
Pastoral Prayer  
The Lord's Prayer  
Offertory Scripture Luke 1:46b-47, 49  
Offertory  
Offertory Response UMH 94  
*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*  
Prayer for Illumination  
Scripture Lesson Matthew 24:36-44  
Sermon *Getting Ready*  
Rev. Albert Shuler  
  
Closing Hymn UMH 202  
*People Look East*  
Benediction  
Choral Benediction UMH 213  
*Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*  
Postlude Instruments of Praise