

PRAYER REQUESTS

Erin Baddour
Donna Beard
Evelyn Chapman
William Dabney
Elise Mathis Eads
Joan Erwin
Mary Ann Gulley
Shirley Hensley

Jackson Hughey
Bob Lakey
Kelly Mayfield
Dot Peyton
Frank Racy
Susan St. John
Carolyn Scruggs
Marlyn Seagrave

Jim Studdard
Becky Thornton
Hazel Townsend
Carl Turner
Chris Turner
Brad & Paige Warmath
Bart White



Drew Shelley grew up in this church and is the son of Van and Pam Shelley. His grandmother is Bettye Shelley. Drew is a graduate of Tennessee Tech where he received his bachelor's degree in engineering. He listened to a "call" to ministry and attended Memphis Theological Seminary before graduating with his Master of Divinity from Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. Ultimately, Drew received his doctorate in ministry from Wesley Theological. Drew has previously served as Director of Student Ministries at Munford UMC and Associate Pastor at Cookeville United Methodist. He was appointed Senior Pastor at Crossville United Methodist and is now serving as Senior Pastor at Murfreesboro United Methodist. Drew is married to Shannon, who earned her Doctorate of Optometry from the Southern College of Optometry. They have one daughter.



Calendar for December 29, 2019 - January 4, 2020

Sunday, December 29, 2019

8:30 am Morning Song Worship-CLC
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship-Sanctuary
11:00 am Radio Broadcast of Traditional Service-WKBL 1250AM

Tuesday, December 31, 2020

3:00 pm Church Offices Close Early for New Year's Eve

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

All Day Church Offices Closed for New Year's Day

Thursday, January 2, 2020

7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall

Saturday, January 4, 2020

9:00 am Bread of Life Food Pantry - Covington



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Are We There Yet?
SO WHAT NOW?
ADVENT WORSHIP SERIES

Luke 2:22-38

“Consolation”

Guest Preacher Rev. Drew Shelley

Sunday, December 29, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

First Sunday after Christmas

Liturgical Color - White

PRELUDE *Carol Medley* Justin Hanson, Organ
arr. Pollack Betty Stanton, Piano

WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Dan Camp

*CALL TO WORSHIP (FROM PSALM 148)

Leader: Praise the Lord! Let all the angels praise the Lord.

People: Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, shining stars; praise Him, highest heavens. Let them all praise the name of the Lord!

Leader: God commanded, and the universe was created, fixed in place forever.

People: Praise God, Kings and all peoples, princes and all other rulers, girls and young men, old people and children too.

All: Let us all praise the name of the Lord, and worship the Prince of Peace.

HYMN OF PRAISE *There's a Song in the Air* UMH 249

~ Children Dismissed to Children's Church ~

NAMING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS Rev. Dan Camp

PRAYER SONG *Welcome to Our World* Carole Mathis

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION *What Child is This* UMH 219

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Dan Camp

OFFERTORY *The First Noel* Justin Hanson, Organ
arr. Martin Betty Stanton, Piano

*DOXOLOGY

**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.**

ANTHEM *Good Christian Men Rejoice* Choir
Director, Bonnie Wright

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:22-38

MESSAGE "Consolation" Rev. Drew Shelley

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT *In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground; Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace; When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All; Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh; Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness; Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died; The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay; Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day; Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory; Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine; Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death; This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath; Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man; Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home; Here in the power of Christ I'll stand
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BLESSING Rev. Drew Shelley

POSTLUDE *Postlude on "Regent Square"* Justin Hanson, Organ
arr. Parks

