

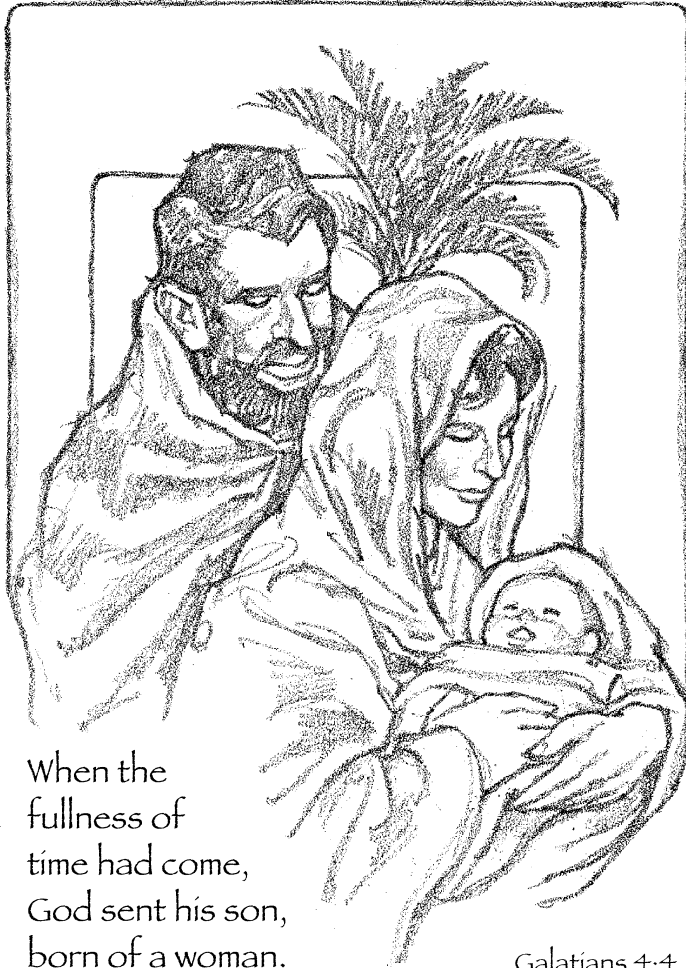
Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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When the
fullness of
time had come,
God sent his son,
born of a woman.

Galatians 4:4

The Prelude

***Chiming of the Hour**

***The Call to Worship**

Praise the Lord!

Praise God from the heavens.

Young men and women alike, old and young together!

**Let us praise the name of the Lord, whose name alone is exalted
above earth and heaven. Alleluia!**

***Hymn**

“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

UMH240

The Opening Prayer

Saving God, the prophet Anna and righteous Simeon sang your praise and proclaimed Jesus our Lord to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. Let us who seek redemption in this day prepare our hearts, that we may believe the good news of Jesus, receive the light of salvation, and live according to your word. In Jesus’ name we pray. **Amen.**

Welcome and Announcements

The Children’s Message

Time of Sharing and Prayer

Celebrations of God’s Grace and Prayer Concerns
The Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer (UMH 895)

***Hymn**

“Away in a Manger”

UMH217

Prayer for Illumination

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus. Shine in our lives. Shine in the Word now read and proclaimed, and we, children of your light, shining for all people, will follow. **Amen.**

The New Testament Reading – Galatians 4:4-7

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The Gospel Reading – Luke 2:22-40

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This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Message

“Going Home Again”

The Receiving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Response: “In the Lord, I’ll Be Ever Thankful” (2x)

In the Lord, I’ll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,

Lift up your voices: The Lord is near.

***The Doxology** (UMH 95)

***The Prayer of Dedication:** Loving God, we give you thanks for the light of the world, Jesus Christ, through whom we have received adoption as your children. With Jesus our brother, we dedicate ourselves in ministry to the world, that we may live as heirs of your promises to the honor and glory of your name.
Amen.

***Hymn**

“There’s a Song in the Air”

UMH 249

***The Charge and Blessing:**

You have seen the Savior. Go now in peace.

Be his light to enlighten everyone you meet, and let your life reflect the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Postlude

“Bless the Lord” (2X)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s Holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Assisting with Worship	Today	January 7, 2018
Scripture Readers	Pam Hunter (8:30)	Volunteer Needed
Greeters	Kenny Newton (11:00)	Volunteer Needed

Volunteers Needed: The sign-up sheet for January and February is available now.

Welcome Cards – We welcome all our guests. There are welcome cards located in the pews. Please take a moment to fill one out and place it into the offering plate during the collection.

About Fletcher's Chapel Church

Our Vision is to be a beacon in the name of Jesus Christ to the world, to make disciples of Jesus Christ and to send them forth to proclaim God's Word and serve God's will everywhere and always.

Our Mission: "19Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." -- Matthew 28:19-20

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Coffee Fellowship Volunteers Needed! Our next Coffee Fellowship will take place on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at 9:30am. We need volunteers to provide refreshments (doughnuts, muffins, fruit, etc.), make coffee, and prepare the Fellowship Hall in advance. Please see Pastor Mike if you can volunteer in January or any other month.

Church Calendars are Here! Please take a 2018 calendar for your home. This poster-size calendar features a picture of the church on a sunny day with a bright blue sky.

MINISTERS:
PRESIDING BISHOP:
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:
PASTOR:
LAY LEADER:
MUSICIAN

All Members
Sharma D. Lewis
Theodore Smith
Michael B. Reaves
Marie William
Elizabeth Pruett

December 31, 2017 – January 7, 2018

Sunday, 12/31	New Year's Eve
	8:30am Worship
	9:45am Sunday School Opening
	10:00am Sunday School
	11:00am Worship
Monday, 1/1/18	New Year's Day
Wednesday, 1/3	9:30am Heritage Hall Nursing Home
Saturday, 1/6	9:30am Take Down Advent/Christmas Decorations
Sunday, 1/7	Communion Sunday/Canned Food Collection
	8:30am Worship
	9:45am Sunday School Opening
	10:00am Sunday School
	11:00am Worship

Upcoming:

Tuesday, 1/9	7:00pm	Pastor Parish Relations Committee Meeting
Weds, 1/10	10:00am	Morning Prayer Group Ministry
Friday, 1/12	4:00pm	Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
Sunday, 1/14	Loose Change Collection/Coffee Fellowship	

Birthdays This Week

12/31 Vance Ayers **1/4** Robin DeWaters **1/7** Kert Ryder



Time to Take Down the Advent/Christmas Decorations: If you can spare an hour next Saturday morning, come and help us take down the sanctuary decorations. We will start at 9:30 and should be finished by 10:30.

The Prayer Concerns list needs an update. On Sunday, January 7 we will start fresh. If you want a person to remain on the Prayer Concerns list, then resubmit that request by filling out one of the blue Prayer Request Cards and placing it into the offering plate. All requests received in December will remain on the list.

Thank You from the Pastor:

I would like to thank the members and friends of Fletcher's Chapel for the generous Christmas gift I received from the congregation this year. I cannot tell you how much I appreciated your generosity toward me and my family not only at Christmas but always. What a blessing it is for me to be in ministry with all the fine people here at Fletcher's Chapel. I thank God for you each day and look forward to serving with you in 2018.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Mike

Prayer Concerns:

Prayers for our Community and the World: The congregation and guests of Fletcher's Chapel and our community; the residents and staff of the Thurman Brisben Center; Our Bishop and his cabinet.

Prayers for Our Church Family: Jeanne Bullock, Dee Campbell, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Dewayne Coates, John Earl Coates, Ed Curtis, Pat Curtis, Audrey Davenport, Shannon Hartung, Louise Henderson, Bob Hunter, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, McKennah Lauber, Turner Minx, Clifton Seay, Shirley Seay, Annette Stahler, Pete Sullivan, Howie Weadon

Prayers for our Families and Friends: Krystalene Balao, Gavin Balderson, Mikie Barker, Mitchell Burroughs, The Cameron Family, Barbara Canaday, Elwood Coates, Felecia Cook, Darrell Critzer, Tommy Davis, Chris Deike, Pat DeShazo, Rowena Diaz, David Frazier, The Frazier Family, Gage Ford and Family, Wayne Gallahan, Jake Gallelo, Jeff Gilley, Karissa Greecher, Theresa Guarracino, Chip Hall, Barbara Hatchell, Betty Jubb, Billy Kennedy, Sylvia Kennedy, Al Keyes, Robert Klink, Becky Lafferty, Ronald Marshall, Jim McCurtain, Paul Morfit, Mike Nave, Daniel (D.P.) Newton, Adolfo Pangilinan, Lina Perry, David Pitts, Elaine Cooley Pitts, Brad Pruett, Chuck Rabbitt, Patrick Robinson, Sam Robinson, Barbara Rowe, Joey Rowe, Kelly Roy, Malone Schooler, Brian Scott, Joseph Sirrels, K. J. Spears, Claude Stevens, Mary Stewart, Vickie Stewart, Dickie Sullivan, Kevin Sullivan, Ryland Tedeton, Mike Warnke, Fred Weaver, Joan Wehner, Jen Ulrich

Prayer Request Cards are available in the pew rack