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COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP

Our annual Community Thanksgiving Worship Service will be held this year at the Hapeville United Methodist Church on Tuesday, November 25, at 7:00 p.m.

There will be a community choir for the service, and there will be participation from as much of Hapeville as possible.

As is the tradition in Hapeville, the worship service will be followed by the annual Mayoral Tree Lighting service in Jess Lucas/Y-Teen Park, beginning around 8:00 p.m. This year, there will be new

decorations on and in the city's municipal buildings and parks to herald Hapeville's celebration of the holiday season, including a grand new tree for the Tree Lighting Service.

The Tree Lighting is scheduled to include performances by local children, refreshments, and visits with Santa in the Fellowship Hall of the Hapeville United Methodist Church.

Please plan to join other residents of the Hapeville community as we celebrate Thanksgiving and begin a month-long celebration of the

*Community
Thanksgiving Worship
Tuesday,
November 25
7:00 p.m.
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Christmas season. The offering collected at the community Thanksgiving service is collected for Family Life Ministries, which assists the churches in helping those in need in our community.

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**PRACTICING GREATNESS:
7 DISCIPLINES OF EXTRAORDINARY
SPIRITUAL LEADERS**

Led by Reggie McNeal

A workshop that will go beyond mere clichés and inspirational thoughts to be a hard hitting resource for leaders who aspire to lead their churches to be the churches God created them to be.

**Tuesday, November 18
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Dunwoody Baptist Church
1445 Mt. Vernon Road
Dunwoody 30338**

YOUNG-IN-HEART CHRISTMAS RESERVATIONS

It's time to make your reservations for the annual Young-in-Heart Christmas Party Dinner. The Christmas dinner will be held Tuesday, December 2, at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, and the cost is \$10.00 per person.

Please see Dot Rawlins as soon as possible to make your reservation and to pay the cost for the dinner. It's going to be a great party and you won't want to miss it! Ho! Ho! Ho!





Bob Wiley
Pastor

JUST THINKING. . .

The annual community Thanksgiving service is just 2 weeks away! I hope that you are planning to be part of this good event. We will be meeting at the Methodist Church on Tuesday, November 25, at 7:00 pm. This is good for the Christian community to worship together and to bear a strong witness to those who do not attend church.

We also have a great training event available to us next week (Tuesday, November 18): **Practicing Greatness: 7**

Disciplines of Extraordinary Spiritual Leaders, led by Reggie McNeal. This is offered by the Atlanta Baptist Association and will be at the Dunwoody Baptist Church, 1445 Mt. Vernon Road. The event will be from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Let Tom or Bob know by next Sunday if you plan to go.

Pastor Bob

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Coming Events

HUMS will meet Monday, November 17, at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Deacons will meet Monday, November 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Monthly Bible Study will meet Tuesday, November 18, at 10:00 am in the Conference Room.

Women on Mission will meet Tuesday, November 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Church Conference will be held Wednesday, November 19, at 6:00 p.m. in the Choir Room.

Finance Committee will meet Thursday, November 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

THIS WEEK. . .

Bible Study Attendance 81
Budget Receipts \$ 5,407.00
Designated Receipts 80.00
Total Receipts \$ 5,487.00
Weekly Requirements \$5,853.00

Deacon of the Week,
Gene Weathers
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Nursery Worker,
Carolyn Bishop
Scripture Reader,
Lenny Wright
Van Driver Team,
Linda Williams, Brian Adams
Breakfast Team,
Bob and Barbara Wiley

PRAY FOR. . .

...the family of Doyle Richardson in his death November 6, 2008.

Treasured Members of the week:
James & Evelyn Brooks
150 Marron Rd
Fayetteville, GA 30215-7727



Tom Howard
Minister of Music/
Financial Admin

NOTES FROM TOM

It was great to have our children join the Sanctuary Choir in the Call to Worship this week. They will continue to use this Call to Worship through the next two weeks. We look forward to hearing them each week during this month.

Please mark Sunday, December 14, on your calendars. That Sunday morning, we will celebrate Christmas with a service of Lessons and Carols led by our music ministry. The Children's Choir,

the Handbell Choir, and the Sanctuary choir will all participate, along with nine Scripture readers for the Scripture lessons.

The traditional Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols began in 1918, and the order of the Scripture Lessons has remained unchanged since 1919.

In addition to the music presented by the choirs, the congregation will join in singing familiar carols in the service.

CELEBRATING ADVENT

The season of Advent is the season of the church year encompassing the four Sundays before Christmas through Christmas Day. This year, Advent begins the Sunday following Thanksgiving—November 30.

During Advent, we celebrate the coming of Jesus into the world, and we look forward to his coming again into the world.

Each Sunday morning during Advent, we will light a candle in the Ad-

vent wreath as part of our worship service. The celebration culminates with the lighting of the central "Christ Candle" during our Christmas Eve Candlelight service. Join us in worship as we celebrate the season of Advent.

Advent begins Sunday, November 30

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, November 16
9:45 am Bible Study
11:00 am Worship
4:30 pm Missions Committee
5:00 pm Handbell Choir
6:00 pm Worship
7:00 pm Worship Café

Monday, November 17
10:30 am HUMS
6:00 pm Cub Scouts
7:00 pm Deacon Meeting

Tuesday, November 18
10:00 am Monthly Bible Study
7:00 pm Women on Mission

Wednesday, November 19
5:00 pm Children's Choir
6:00 pm Children's Handchime Choir

6:00 pm Church Conference
6:45 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, November 20
7:00 pm Finance Committee

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Raymond Burel 11/19