

Important Days/Dates to Remember

Each Sunday:

10:00 a.m. Sunday School (for all ages)
11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Each Wednesday:

6:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

December 24th – Wednesday:

6:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

December 25th – Thursday:

Christmas Day

December 31st – Wednesday:

New Year's Eve

January 1st (2009) – Thursday:

New Year's Day

January 11th – Sunday:

Baptism of the Lord

January 19th – Thursday:

Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday Observance

U.S. Postage Pd
Permit # 8
Cuthbert, GA 39840
Non Profit Standard Mail

Cuthbert United Methodist Church
PO Box 449
Cuthbert, GA 39840

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

«NAME»
«ADDRESS1»
«ADDRESS2»
«CITYSTZIP»

CUTHBERT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

229-732-2071 187 Lumpkin St. PO Box 449 Cuthbert, GA 39840
www.CurthbertUMC.com CuthbertUMC@alltel.net

Rev. Martin Loyley, Pastor

Rev. Ronald Culpepper, District Superintendent James R. King, Jr., Bishop
Jimmy Brownlee, Business Administrator

(11:00 a.m. Sunday services televised Mondays at 6:00 p.m., Channel 17)

My Dear Precious Souls,

Since Pastor Flathman is blessing us with his message this Sunday, I asked him what he would like me to put on this cover page. He simply replied that he trusted my discretionary choice.

Well, I decided to remind you all, my Church family and friends, that I continue to be showered with your blessings and support as I endeavor to better focus my life toward God's will as your servant in Christ. As I have shared with you before, it has been a "bumpy" road since that significant decision to return home from my "comfort zone" in New Jersey over 1½ years ago. Looking back over the mistakes I made this past year and a half, I continue to pray for your forgiveness as we all better strive to do His will. I am truly excited about and looking forward to the new year as we all become more involved in what we (and God) want to do to further the ministries of the Cuthbert United Methodist Church.

In closing, I would personally like to thank you all for enriching my life beyond all expectations as you taught me to enjoy a much higher and more rewarding level of spiritual growth than I have ever known, before returning to Cuthbert. I will continue to pray that you be so blessed as God has blessed me through you. What a wonderful time of year to celebrate my serving you as well as our Savior's birth, His life and our eternal salvation through Him.

*Yours in Christ,
Jimmy Brownlee*

THE LORD'S DAY
Sunday, December 28, 2008
1st Sunday after Christmas

PRELUDE *What Child Is This (Dix)*
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Flathman
CHIMING OF THE HOUR
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
THE CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP Chancel Choir
Angels from the Realms of Glory (Montgomery/Smart)
*HYMN OF PRAISE no. 240
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing (All Stanzas)
*THE RESPONSIVE READING Pastor Flathman
Psalm 148 no. 861
*THE GLORIA PATRI no. 70
SPECIAL MUSIC Chancel Choir
Jesus Messiah (Popham/Stone/Williamson)
SERMON Pastor Flathman
**"I Have Learned, in Whatsoever State I Am,
Therewith to Be Content"** (Philippians 4:11b)
SCRIPTURE LESSONS:
Isaiah 61:10-62:3 (OT p. 650),
Galatians 4:4-7 (NT p. 178), **Luke 2:22-40** (NT p. 55)
HYMN OF PRAISE no. 218
It Came upon the Midnight Clear (Stz: 1, 2 & 4)
* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Apostles' Creed*) no. 881
*THE PEACE
MORNING PRAYER Pastor Flathman
THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Back inside cover of hymnal*)
ACCEPTANCE OF 2009 BUDGET Jimmy Bradley
OFFERING & OFFERTORY *Away in a Manger (Murray)*
*DOXOLOGY no. 95
*PASTORAL BENEDICTION
*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION
*May the love of God be with us as we go our separate ways,
Serving God by serving others; finding hope and joy each day.*
*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE no. 368
My Hope Is Built (All Stanzas)
POSTLUDE *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice (Neale, Smith)*

*(Those who are able, please stand.)

≈≈ GIFTS RECEIVED ≈≈

from Ann Bynum	in memory of:	John H. Crawford, Jr.
from Jerry & Eleanor Flathman	in honor of:	Irma Patrick
from Susan Pike	in memory of:	Jep & Dolly Harris
from Echo Puckett	in memory of:	Ruth & Ec Patterson
		Alec Spoon
		"Dolly" Harris
from Emily W. Simpson	in memory of:	Rena Winslow
		Harris (Dolly)
from Anne Winslow,		
Luanne Winslow &		
Michael Schwarz,		
Jan Winslow &		
Bradley Smith	in memory of:	"Dolly" Harris

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

December 30 Atlas & Evelyn Hester ♥
December 31 Becky Watts
January 2 Gerry & Patricia Goodman ♥
Sharon Loyley
Walter McCrary, Jr.
January 3 Sonja Rowland
January 4 Don Bridges
Billy & Mavis Fulford ♥

COMMUNITY PRAYERFUL CONCERNS

*Our friends and Members in nursing homes
and assisted living facilities:*
Elizabeth Brownlee, Louise Hester, Tip Meadows,
Ruth Rainey, Sara Roberts, Elizabeth Wiggins
Our Servicemen Abroad:
MSgt Hoyt Lumpkin, Jr. (in Iraq)
Other Prayer Concerns:
Margaret Bridges, Diane Capps, Martha Ann Coffin,
Christina Ellis, Evelyn Hester, Katie Hoyle, Brenda King,
Jordan Mathews, Allene Nelson, Dawn West
Sympathy to the family of Norman Barr
Sympathy to the family of Jane Plowden
*Please call the church office to update our list of
Community Prayerful Concerns.*

**THOSE SERVING
SUNDAY:**

The Greeter
Crispin Gilbert

Ushers
Jimmy Gilbert
Atlas Hester

The Offering Stewards
Jimmy Brownlee
Jimmy Gilbert

Worship Attendance, 12/21
Cuthbert UMC: 36
GA Feed Service: 9

**A RECORD OF
OUR STEWARDSHIP
as of December 21st:**

GENERAL FUND
Contributions, 12/21:
\$2,718.00
Needed to date (budget):
\$124,136.81
Collected YTD:
\$114,866.06

CURRENT BALANCES:
(not part of GENERAL FUND)
Children's Ministry: \$ 141.17
Choir Fund: \$1,484.56
Faithful Stewards: \$ 1.14
Mission Fund: \$3,246.52
Parsonage Fund: \$ 134.50

Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

Wednesday, December 24th at 6:00 p.m.

Mailed-Out Bulletins

*Mailed bulletins starting December 30, 2008 will be
based on returned request cards.*

*If you don't receive a bulletin, but would still like to
receive one, please call the Church office.
(229/732-2071)*

*Your servant in Christ,
Jimmy Brownlee*