

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU Effective Thursday, Nov 30, I resigned my position as FUMC's Administrative Financial Secretary. I would like to sincerely thank this church for allowing me the opportunity to work here. I hope I have honored the trust you placed in me by fulfilling my duties each day to the best of my abilities and by always striving to improve FUMC in all areas. The impact this church has had on my life, my son's life, and my family's life is immeasurable and I thank you for this and for truly being the body of Christ, Julie Crim

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help prepare Wonderful Wednesday meals. If you would like to volunteer one evening, contact the church office or let Pastor Robert know.

HILLSVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL is in need of reading tutors for first and second grade students. If anyone would like to volunteer or learn more about this opportunity to make a powerful difference in the life of a child, please contact Leona Brown. Her email address is leonaloves2teach@gmail.com. Her phone number is 733-7745.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP MEAL FUNDRAISER Join us on **TODAY, December 3rd** for a Baked Potato Bar following the worship service provided by our Young Adults group! This is a fundraiser for their Divine Rhythm trip! Divine Rhythm is a spiritual renewal opportunity organized by the Holston Conference for young adults ages 18-35. We would love for you to come worship, eat, and fellowship with us while supporting the Young Adults Group!

ALL MEN'S FELLOWSHIP - Thanks to all who participated in the two fellowship events this fall. Please plan to join us in a December Call to Service... put on your calendar the week of **December 11-16** for multiple opportunities to work with the Carroll Christmas Fund... more details to follow. Your participation will be greatly appreciated!

A SANTA BREAKFAST hosted by the Youth Group is scheduled for **Saturday, December 16th**, from **9 AM to 11 AM**. Please spread the word and invite lots of kids and their parents to join us!! (Youth will need to be at the church by 8 AM to set up until Noon to clean.)

NEEDED! Socks and Undies! Our UMW is working to distribute a small supply of **NEW** socks and underwear to all Carroll County Elementary Schools. Emergencies happen! Sizes to fit Pre-K to 3rd grade. The donation box is in the fellowship hall.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Full church calendar at hillsvillefumc.com/calendar

DAY	TIME	EVENT
Today	Following Services	Young Adults Baked Potato Bar Fundraiser
Today	3 PM	Ladies Christmas Tea
Monday	4 PM	Weight Watchers
Tuesday	4 – 6 PM	Dinner Bell Community Meal
Tuesday	4 – 6 PM	CCMA Food Pantry
Wednesday	6 – 6:30 PM	Wonderful Wednesday Meal
Wednesday	6:30 – 7:15 PM	Wonderful Wednesday Services
Wednesday	7:25 PM	Adult Choir Practice
Thursday	9:30 – 12 PM	CCMA Food Pantry
Thursday	6:30 PM	Scouts

THE DINNER BELL is currently collecting new or gently used coats to give to those in need in our community. Any size is needed but we are really in need of children's coats. Coats may be hung on the clothing rack in the fellowship hall. Thank you Missions Team.

CCMA FOOD PANTRY As the weather cools, the CCMA Food Pantry serves even greater numbers of the hungry in our community. Unfortunately, the holiday season also is traditionally a time when the Pantry receives fewer monetary donations as people are busy with their holiday activities. Currently the pantry has only about \$500 left in their funds. If you are able, please remember the Pantry in your giving and please spread the word to others in our community of their need. Donations can be made in person to the church office or mailed to CCMA Food Pantry, c/o FUMC, PO BOX 356, Hillsville VA 24343.

SENIOR ADULTS: The Happy Seniors and United Methodist Women are sponsoring our annual Community Christmas Luncheon for Seniors at **noon on Tuesday, December 5**, in the fellowship hall. Lunch is free, however, **RESERVATIONS** are needed. You may sign up on the Senior bulletin board or call the church office (728-2434).

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Rev. Robert Smith
BRINGING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE SANCTUARY	
"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" <i>Wesley</i>	
	Cindy Jackson, Organist
CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION	Rev. Robert Smith
*HYMNS OF PRAISE	
"Soon And Very Soon" Hymn #706	
"Shine Jesus Shine" Hymn #2173	
A TIME FOR CHILDREN	Nathaniel & Chelsea
LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE	Nikki Cannon & Jessica Shank
PRAYER CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS	Rev. Robert Smith
PASTORAL PRAYER	Rev. Robert Smith
OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & GIFTS	Rev. Robert Smith
OFFERTORY ANTHEM	
"Prepare the Way of the King" <i>Martin</i>	
	Adult Choir with Janie Napier, Pianist & Cindy Jackson, Director
*DOXOLOGY	
"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"	
	<i>*Children may be dismissed to Children's Church during the doxology*</i>
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING	Rev. Robert Smith
SCRIPTURE	"Isaiah 64:1-9" Judy Beasley
LITANY	Rev. Robert Smith
SERMON	"The Light of Christmas" Rev. Robert Smith
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING FOR ADVENT	Rev. Robert Smith
*HYMN OF DEDICATION	
"Change My Heart Oh God" Hymn #2152	
BENEDICTION	Rev. Robert Smith
SENDING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD	
"Soon and Very Soon" <i>Crouch</i>	
	Cindy Jackson, Organist

First Church Prayer List

We want to pray with you. Please write prayer celebrations or concerns on the cards in the pews and place them in the offering plate or email them fumchillsvilleprayers@gmail.com

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| Abused Children
America | Pauline Arthur
John Bedsaul |
| Camp Dickenson
Caregivers | Ben Bolen
Dianna Bond |
| Children from
Broken Homes | Max Brown |
| Church Family | Elizabeth Cecil |
| Church Leaders | Jim Clay |
| Families in Crisis | Grace Cox |
| First Responders | Hezekiah Goad |
| FUMC Ministries | Margaret Gynn |
| Homeless | Boss Harmon |
| Hurricane Victims | Jean Kidd |
| Israel | Gary Lawson |
| Law Enforcement Officers | Wayne Lewis |
| The Lost | Shirley Martin |
| Middle East | Janice Morris |
| Military & Families | Kerry Plutte |
| Ministers | Pam Hicks Reece |
| Missionaries | Bobby & Holly Savage |
| Nursing Home Residents | Ruth Sisson |
| Peace of Jerusalem | Rick Slusher |
| Persecuted Church | Eldon Smith |
| Sanctity of Life | Michelle Teen |
| Sanctity of Marriage | Sue Ward |
| School Bus Drivers | Tony White |
| Teachers, Students | |
| Terminally Ill | Jimmy Burcham Family |
| Traveling Mercies | Olivia Lawson Family |
| Unemployed | Debbie McCartney Family |
| Unspoken Requests | Larry Dean Taylor Family |
| Veterans | |
| War Torn Countries | |
| World Leaders | |

First Church Volunteers

DATE	December 3	December 10
Usher Team (10:10 AM)	Kassandra Dalton Team	Dennis Ward Team
Greeters (9:10 AM)	Micheal Patton & Jenny Brown	Dennis & Sue Ward
Scripture Reader	Judy Beasley	Dot Jones
Acolyte	Mason Coulson	Cole Ward
Flowers	Communion Sunday Advent	Advent Wreath
Golden Years	Tilda Mullins	Esther Taylor
Children's Church	All Worship in Sanctuary for Communion Sermon: Nate & Chelsea	Nathaniel & Chelsea, Sara Byrne Sermon: Susan Clark
Nursery	Tammy Quesenberry	Rita Parker
Media Team	Bill Webb & Don White	S.C. Cox & Justin Lintecum
Sunday School Class Assistants	Fellowship	Fellowship

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

WORSHIP: 163
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 94



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Offering Report	
2017 Ministry Goal:	\$ 402,012
Weekly Offering Needed for Goal:	\$ 7,731
Weekly Offering Received 11.26.17	\$ 5,897
2017 Ministry Goal Received To Date:	\$ 336,395
% of 2017 Ministry Goal Received:	83.7%

Pause, Pray, Listen Intently, Be Obedient



"Called to be and make disciples for Jesus Christ"

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2017

PASTOR: Reverend Robert Smith



SUNDAY MORNING'S SCHEDULE

A nursery is provided during Sunday school and Worship Service. If you're unsure where a class or service is ask us and we'll be glad to help you find what you're looking for!

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
9:00 a.m.	The Gathering, Coffee & Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:15 a.m.	Prayer Group	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Sunday School, Children & Adult Classes	Sunday School Classrooms
10:00 a.m.	Nacimiento en Fe Sunday School & Worship	Spanish Language Sunday School & Worship Service
10:30 a.m.	Praise & Worship Service	Sanctuary

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