

The Lord's Day  
December 24, 2017

Sunday Morning Worship~10:55 A.M.  
Presiding Minister – The Reverend Mr. Bart Lester  
Assisting Minister – The Reverend Mr. Billy Joseph

Thoughts upon entering the Sanctuary: *“Almighty God, who has given us Your only - begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made Your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Your Holy Spirit, which we beseech You to send forth more and more into our hearts, as a testimony of Your fatherly love to us, and to fill us with fervent love towards You; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”* –Collect 56 (Christmas Day)

Welcome and Announcements  
Organ Prelude *“The First Nowell”* arr. Jeremy Yowell

Call to Worship  
\*Hymn 195 *“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”* (v. 1-4) ANTIOCH

\*The Invocation  
\*Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed Trinity Hymnal pg. 846  
We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

\*The Gloria Patri Trinity Hymnal p. 735  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.*

The Sacrament of Baptism Moses Casey Andrews & Xavier Casey Andrews  
The Pastoral Prayer  
The Reading of Scripture Matthew 2:1-18 (pew Bible pp. 808-809)

The Hymn 210 *“Silent Night! Holy Night!”* (v. 1-4) STILLE NACHT

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings  
The Choral Offertory *“Bell Carol”* Heather Sorenson  
*Ding Dong! Sing we Noel, glad tidings tell. Be of good cheer, Christmas is here. Loudly we're singing, church bells are ringing, children are singing, “Christmas is here!” Trumpets are sounding, glad earth resounding, nature is shouting, “Christmas is here!” Dark has gone away, and the night has turned to day. Peace has come to earth from a little baby's birth! Ah! Gloria, gloria! Peace has come from a little baby, holy infant, humble royal birth! Star shining bright, gone is the night, hope has appeared, Christmas is here! Prophets foretold, shepherd's behold, mystery now clear, Christmas is here! Merry Christmas!*

Sermon *“The Birth & Victory”*  
Revelation 12:1-17 (pew Bible pp. 1034-1035)

\*The Hymn: 203 *“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”* (v. 1-3) MENDELSSOHN  
Benediction  
Postlude *“God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen”* Wilbur Held

## The Lord's Day Evening Worship

Join us for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service tonight, at 5:00 P.M.

### Welcome to Eastwood

Our church extends a cordial welcome to all who worship with us this morning. Visitors are asked to please sign the visitor's register in the pew pad and provide us the requested information so that we might welcome you.  
We are delighted to have you with us this Lord's Day!

### Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism will be administered this morning to Moses Casey Andrews & Xavier Casey Andrews, children of Lisa & Charles Andrews.

### Life of the Church

**Reminder: No Sunday school December 24th. No Sunday school or evening worship December 31st.**

### New Sunday School Quarter/Sunday, January 7th

1&2 Thessalonians, taught by Bart Lester, in the Fellowship Hall  
“Getting to the Heart of Parenting”, taught by Jeff Dunn, in the Session Room  
“A Survey of the Old Testament”, taught by Billy Joseph, in Billy's Office.

### Sunday School for Children & Youth

4 & 5 yr. olds	Upstairs Main Hallway Room 5
1st-2nd grades	Upstairs Main Hallway Room 7
3rd-5th grades	Upstairs Main Hallway Room 8
Students 6th-8th	Jr. High Pod in Upstairs Main Hall
Students 9th-12th grade	Upstairs Main Hall Room 9

### Eastwood Today

8:30 AM	NO ESL Class/Missions Room
9:15 AM	NO Coffee & Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	NO Sunday School Classes
10:55 AM	Morning Worship Service
4:30 PM	NO Missions Prayer Time
5:00 PM	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

### Eastwood This Week

Dec 25-31	DOW:	Jon Chancey	334-224-3540
<b>Monday</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Church Office Closed</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Church Office Closed</b>	

### Church Wide Nursery Rotation

Today	AM	Grace, Henle
Dec. 31	AM	Hinson, Hinton
Jan. 07	AM	Hodges, Hodges
Jan. 14	AM	James, Joki
Jan. 21	AM	Jones, Knotts

### Church Wide Usher Rotation

Today	AM	Walter Catching, Lee Sumner, James Chancey
Dec. 31	AM	Brad Crewe, Tom DeLoach, Allen Gamble, Jeff Dunn
Jan. 07	AM	Wilmer Glasgow, Andrew Godwin, Kent Gourley, Aubrey Grace
Jan. 14	AM	Steven Hall, Don Henle, Jason Hinson, Milton Hodges
Jan. 21	AM	Andrew Jones, Jerry Knotts, Terry Lee, Oliver Lester

**The church office will be closed Monday, December 25th, Tuesday, December 26th, Monday, January 1st, and Tuesday, January 2nd.**

## Announcements

**All 2017 contributions need to be in the church office or postmarked by December 31st.**

### Poinsettias Given in Honor/Memory Of:

**In Honor Of:**  
Genie Rhodes By: Christopher & Elizabeth Lee  
Dawn & John Geiger By: Cynthia Jones  
Eastwood Family & all you do for us By: Diane & Don Henle  
Ann Clayman & Ann Gold (our mothers) By: Susan & Jeff Dunn  
Seongho Choi & The Sanctuary Choir By: Nancy & Den Trumbull  
**In Memory Of:**  
Dee Marion By: April & Forrest Marion  
Family members who have gone on before us By: Barbara & Robert Harrington

### Winter Quarter Adult Sunday School begins January 7th

Classes offered will be: 1&2 Thessalonians, taught by Bart Lester, in the Fellowship Hall; Getting to the Heart of Parenting, taught by Jeff Dunn, in the Session Room; & Survey of the Old Testament, taught by Billy Joseph, in Billy's Office.

### ESC Open House

Eastwood Christian School will have its open house Sunday, January 21st at 2:00pm in Eastwood's Sanctuary. A nursery is provided (by reservation only) for children birth-5yrs. The deadline for nursery reservations is Wednesday, January 17th. Please share this with any families that you think might be looking for a school for their children. New student registration is January 22nd-February 2nd. Contact the church (334-272-3103) or school office (334-272-8195) with any questions.

### 2018 PCA Women's Conference

PCA Women's Conferences in 2018: *one hope...one faith...one church* is the title for these conferences and Courtney Doctor is the featured speaker. Four cities will each host a conference and 2 are in the southeast. Jackson MS and Chattanooga are locations in April and October respectively. Registration begins January 1 and all the details can be found at the following website: [pcacdm.org/one-conferences](http://pcacdm.org/one-conferences) Scholarships are available; please contact Jerry if you have need. Please see Angie Stallings or Nancy Trumbull, if you have questions.

### Ladies Winter Bible Study

The women's winter Bible study will begin January 16 using *Let's Study Philippians* by Sinclair Ferguson. Lain Hodges will lead the 8-week study on Tuesday mornings, at the church, from 10-12. Contact Lynn Grace if you need a nursery. The evening study will be hosted by Linette McMahan, (8836 Meadow Court, Montgomery) at 6:30pm. Linette and Brenda Gourley will lead the study.

### Rummage Sale for Missions

The Missions Committee is now collecting items for a rummage sale to help with the cost of the mission trips this summer. So, if you are doing some “new years” cleaning out, please consider donating items that you no longer need to this sale. These items should be in good condition and ready for the sale. You can leave your labeled donations in the POD, outside the Missions Office.

### Save the Date

The 2018 Missions Conference is set for March 1st-4th. Please make plans to attend this event. What a special time of fellowship with some of the missionaries that Eastwood supports! This year's speaker will be Ken Temple, missionary to Iranian refugees and long time friend of Eastwood.

### Missions Trips/Summer of 2018

Eastwood church members will have two opportunities for short-term mission trips this summer. In June we are planning a trip to the Amazon. Eastwood has participated with the work there by helping start a church, build/fund a building, stock a library, build a playground, provide 4-6 trips, give communion trays, baptismal font, and rocking chairs. We have given money and support for the construction of the new sanctuary and pews. That church has started another church in Maranao, just down river. Then, in July, we are planning a return trip to Camp Hope in North Carolina. We have been here four years in a row and those who have participated tell how special this trip has been for them. Please let the missions committee know if you have interest in either of these trips.

\*Congregation standing (if able) Please refrain from all applause.  
Please silence all electronic devices. Please leave any food or drink outside of the Sanctuary

