

The Lord's Day
December 8, 2019

Sunday Morning Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.
Presiding Minister – The Reverend Mr. Bart Lester
Assisting Minister –The Reverend Mr. Billy Joseph
Deacon of the Week – Adam Rogers

Thoughts on the Birth of Jesus Christ from Matt. 1:23 *“And they shall call His name Immanuel, which translated means, ‘God with us,’”*: *“According to this verse Immanuel and Jesus mean the same thing. ‘God with us’ is our Savior. He is with us as God on purpose to save us. The incarnation of Jesus is our salvation. . . Let us leave this wonderful passage worshipping the Son of God, who condescended to be born the Son of man. Thus our God became our brother, bone of our bone, and flesh of our flesh. The nearer he comes to us, the more humbly let us adore him. The more true the kinship of our King, the more enthusiastically let us crown him Lord of all!”*
Charles H. Spurgeon,
Commentary on Matthew

Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude “*While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks*” Gordon Young

Call to Worship

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

*The Invocation & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever, Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed Trinity Hymnal pg. 846

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, 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 worshiped 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 Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon

The Public Reading of Scripture: Matthew 26:26-46 (pew Bible p. 832)

*The Psalter p. 1 Psalm 2 (v. 1-12) HINTZE

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory “*Christmas Sanctus*” Lee Dengler

Sermon

“Christmas as in the Psalms”
Psalm 2 (pew Bible p. 448)
Christmas Sermons

*Hymn 196 “*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*” (v. 1-4) HYFRYDOL

*Benediction

Postlude “*Angels From the Realms of Glory*” L. Smith

The Lord's Day Evening Worship

Join us this evening at 6:00pm for the Sanctuary Choir's Annual Christmas Program. There will be a Congregational Christmas Fellowship following, in the Fellowship Hall.

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!

Life of the Church

Fall Adult Sunday School October 6-December 15

“Worship”/led by various teachers/Fellowship Hall

Sunday School for Children & Youth

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

Eastwood Today

8:45 AM	Coffee & Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM	Sunday School Classes
10:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
4:30 PM	Missions Prayer Time
6:00 PM	Choir Christmas Program

Eastwood This Week

Dec 9-15	DOW:	Jon Chancey 334-224-3540
Tuesday	9:00 AM	No Staff Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study/Session Room/ 1 Thess.
	5:30 PM	Choir Practice
	6:00 PM	Youth Fellowship
Friday	2:00 PM	Free Art Class/FH

Church Wide Nursery Rotation/Please be in the nursery no later than 8:50am

Today AM	Gamble (Allen), Hinton, Glasgow
Dec 15 AM	Godwin, Greenlee, Goehring
Dec 22 AM	Gamble (Samantha), Hodges (Milton), Matulia
Dec 29 AM	Godwin, Greenlee, Goehring

Church Wide Usher Rotation

Today AM	Den Trumbull, Lee Sumner, Walker-Lee Hinton, Allen Gamble
Dec 15 AM	Wilmer Glasgow, Andrew Godwin, Aubrey Grace, Nolin Geiger
Dec 22 AM	Steven Hall, James Hodges, Milton Hodges
Dec 29 AM	Andrew Jones, Jerry Knotts

Announcements

Reminder: No Sunday school or evening worship Sunday, December 22nd & 29th. The Christmas Eve service is December 24th at 5:00pm.

Choir Christmas Program

The Sanctuary Choir will have their Annual Christmas Program tonight at 6:00pm. This year we will enjoy “An Evening Together Singing of Jesus.” Please come and invite family and friends.

Congregational Christmas Gathering

Following the Christmas Program, there will be a Congregational Christmas Gathering. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for hors d'oeuvres (provided by the church) and fellowship. This will serve as our monthly USG fellowship.

Officer Nominations and Election

It is time for Officer Nominations. There are nomination forms and schedules for the Officer Training and Election in the narthex and also on the table across from the Session Room. If you have a nomination, please be sure to give your completed form to Lee Sumner no later than Sunday, December 15th.

Youth Christmas Progressive Dinner

The youth will have a Christmas Progressive Dinner on Saturday, December 14th, at 5:30pm. They will begin with appetizers at Lain & Milton Hodges' house (3050 Cobbs Ford Rd., Millbrook), then dinner at the Chancey's home (710 Fountain Lane, Prattville), followed by dessert and dirty Santa at Luciana & Bo Hodges' house (3014 Lanark Rd., Millbrook). Contact Wright Draper with questions.

Angel Tree Volunteers Needed!

This Tuesday the gifts for the Angel Tree Program are due at the church. They can be placed in the office or the Children's Ministry Pod. Please contact Brenda Fox if you are not going to be able to bring your gift by Tuesday.

If your family participated in the Angel Tree program, please plan to attend a simple luncheon on December 15, after church to meet the caregivers and the Angel children. Please RSVP with a count by December 10th, so that we can plan wisely. There will be a craft for the younger children so we will need a few teen volunteers.

The East Montgomery Bible study meets Wednesdays, from 7-8am, at the Fried Tomato Buffet Restaurant (6561 Atlanta Highway, near Wal-Mart and Starbucks). This study is being taught by “retired” pastor Doug Hudson on the book, the Gospel of John, in the New Testament. Everyone is invited to attend. Please invite your neighbors, friends and family. Questions? Call or text Milton Hodges (334-391-4928).

Gingerbread House Competition

Adults and kids of all ages! Save the date for Saturday, December 21st, from 10am-noon, for a Gingerbread House Competition and Fellowship. Check your weekly email reminder for more information.

Youth News

We look forward to seeing your youth every Wednesday for fellowship from 6-8pm. The youth are now working through *Crucial Questions* series by R.C. Sproul. Here is the Sunday night fellowships schedule:

December 08 No Youth Fellowship/Congregational Christmas Party
December 15 Youth Fellowship @ the DeHuff's (3516 Harding Close, Montgomery)
December 22 No Youth Fellowship
December 29 No Youth Fellowship

Christmas Poinsettias may be purchased for the sanctuary in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one. Please fill out the slip below and place in the offering plate or turn in to the church office. Cost is \$8.50 per plant.

Your Name: _____ #Plants _____

Given in Honor/Memory of (Please circle one): _____

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

Sermon Notes

“Christmas as in the Psalms”

Psalm 2

Sunday, December 8, 2019

Series of horizontal lines for handwritten notes.

Upcoming Church Events

12/08/2019 6:00pm Sanctuary Choir Christmas Program followed by Congregational Christmas Fellowship
12/14/2019 Youth Progressive Christmas Dinner
12/15/2019 The Lord’s Supper PM
12/21/2019 Gingerbread House Competition/Fellowship
12/22/2019 No Sunday School/No Evening Worship
12/24/2019 Christmas Eve Service 5:00pm
12/25-26/2019 Church Office Closed
12/29/2019 No Sunday School/No Evening Worship

Eastwood Presbyterian Church



Ministerial & Administrative Staff

Bart Lester	Senior Pastor
Billy Joseph	Associate Pastor
Ross Hodges	Asst. Pastor of Families
Wright Draper	Youth Director
Jerry Knotts	Administrator
Lynn Grace	Church Secretary
Seongho Choi	Director of Music
Tommy James	Director of Missions
Brenda Fox	Children’s Director
Leigh Bius	Nursery Director
Susan Gaines	Eastwood Head of School
John Geiger	Eastwood School, Headmaster Emeritus

Church Office Information

Office Hours:	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	334.272.3103
Website:		EastwoodChurch.org
Church Email:		administration@eastwoodchurch.org
Prayer Chain:		prayerchain@eastwoodchurch.org

Eastwood Officers

The Session

Bart Lester, Moderator

Jeff Dunn	Forrest Marion	Lee Sumner, Clerk
Milton Hodges	Allen McDaniel	Den Trumbull
Tommy James	Andy Perry	John Geiger, Elder Emeritus
Billy Joseph		

The Diaconate

Anthony Carboni, Chairman

Jon Chancey	Barry Grace	Tim Owen
Frank Dagostin	Robert Harrington	Adam Rogers
Brian DeHuff	Don Henle	Johnny Stallings
Bill Goehring	Bo Hodges	

WIC Executive Committee

Leigh Bius	Member
Victoria Whatley	Member
Sheila Graves	Co-Chair
Anne Jones	Member
Linda McDaniel	Member
Suzie Rhodes	Co-Chair

Faith Promise

2019 Commitment	Received YTD Thru 12.01.19
(April 1st 2019-March 31st 2020)	
\$133,453	\$101,668

We exist to glorify God
By proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
Promoting biblical worship,
And presenting every man mature in Christ...
Colossians 1:28

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