

Welcome to Eastport United Methodist Church

where we share our experiences of God's Kingdom with all,
through our faith, love, fellowship, and service.

Our vision is to have everyone actively involved in worship that enriches,
ministries that empower, and evangelism that embraces all.

Fourth Sunday of Advent ♥♥ Children's Christmas Pageant

December 22, 2013

10:00 a.m.

Christmas Angels Medley ♦ Arr. by Dan R. Edwards
Heavenly Bells

Praise Songs

There Is Joy in The Lord – Cheryl Keaggy
God of the Ages
My Life Is in You, Lord – TFWS 2032

Lighting of Advent Candles 1,2,3 and 4
The Bergsman and Krebs Families

Reading: Isaiah 9:6-7

**All: We light these candles as symbols of Christ our
Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.
May the light sent from God shine in the darkness
to show us the way of salvation.
O come, O come, Emmanuel. Amen.**

Sung Response:

**We wait in Hope for the morning light,
For the Peace of Christ to illuminate the night.
We wait with Joy for the Savior's birth,
We prepare with Love for peace on earth.**

Joys and Concerns
The Lord's Prayer

Praise Songs
Jesus, Messiah-v. 1
I Love You, Lord – TFWS 2068

***Scripture Reading**

Luke 1:26-38

Witness to the Word: Children's Christmas Pageant

The Real Story

By: Faith Scott

Adapted by: Nicole Hughes and Valerie Devaris

Setting: A Living Room in 2013 - Bringing the Real Story to Life

With: *A Christmas Poem*

By: Audrey Smith, 2009

[We will observe silence to reflect on the Word and its call and claim on our lives.]

Sharing of Gifts, Offertory Song and Prayer

Song of Mary ♦ Richard Shepard

Wesleyan Choir

The Unified Budget and Heaven Cent Basket for Winter Relief Homeless Shelter

***Closing Praise**

People, Look East, v.1,4 – UMH 202

***Blessing**

*** Sharing God's Peace**

***Praise Song to Send Us Forth**

*Please stand as you are able.

Participation last Sunday: **119**



OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

Thanksgiving

THE VOICES OF LITTLE CHILDREN

State, Country & World

PEACE FOR SYRIA

Our Homebound Members

Lois Bliss, Edna Catterton, Katherine Leitch, Esther Gannaway,
Eloise Gleason, Becky Dobrick, Gwynn Bowen



December Prayer List**



**A new list will start on January 1st. Please use the yellow prayer cards in the pews for your prayer requests, or call/email the church office.

Bill Anderson (Michelle Anderson's father)

Nina Green (Barbara Schwarz's mother-in-law)

Bonnie Branzell (Libby Cain's sister)

Steven Brion-Meisels (Mike Keller's friend)

Glen Stassen (Mike Keller's friend)

Louise DePalermo (Marty Dobbs' mother)

Lillia Moody (Mei-Jen's sister-in-law)

Ray Fox (Malamphy's extended family)

Nancy Bassford (Libby Cain's friend)

Patrick Thorne (Christina Valentine's friend)

Pud Schultz (member)

Erica Young (Jan Hopping's niece)

Norman Jones (member)

Mary Wooten (Harriet Newquist's mom)

Barbara Rees (Amanda Owen's friend)

Mary Jones (member)

Carly Hudson (Tyler Stewart's cousin)

Margaret Terry (member)

Lorie Rawlings (member)

Neill Kinnamon (member)



Birthdays this Week

Dec 22 – Audrey Howard

Dec 23 – Edna Catterton,
Margaret Terry, Ryleigh South

Dec 24 – Scott Bailey

Dec 25 – Chris Pulley

Dec 27 – Lorraine Crouch

Anniversaries this Week

Dec 27 – Donna & Bob McWilliams

Dec 27 – Evelyn & Philip Beall, Jr.

Dec 29 – Joyce & Bo Chesney



Congratulations to parents, Lisa & Mike and "big sister," Taylor Stevens on the birth of Kristen Marie Stevens, on Wednesday, December 11th. Kristen weighed 7 lbs., 10 oz. (Kristen's name was misspelled in last week's bulletin. My apologies)

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon, Dec 23	Heavenly Bells 7pm
Tues, Dec 24	Christmas Eve Services (see schedule on back of bulletin.)
Wed, Dec 25	Merry Christmas!
Thu, Dec 26	Office Closed
Sun, Dec 29	Christmas Carol Sing



Luminaries - Church families, please consider making a luminary for Christmas Eve. Instructions are in Fellowship Hall with examples. Please bring them with you on Christmas Eve, early service or late, just when you come. Light them and set out, some at the back door and a lot of them at the front entrance of the church. Leave them if you wish, lighted and I will take care of bringing them in the day after Christmas. If you have any questions, please ask Paulette Schwallenberg

You are invited to participate in our Christmas greeting card display benefitting EUMC's piano and organ maintenance fund. Write one card, calculate the cost of postage and cards that you would send to your church family and donate that amount! Please give cards and checks to Joyce Conley.



As soon as possible, please give us your information, announcements, or reflections for the January Spire. They can be sent to the church or to Eunice at corseec@msn.com.

Year end charitable tax deductible donations: As you think about this, please remember your congregation. Thank you very much.

Sign-Up sheet for Fellowship Hour for the 1st quarter of 2014 is on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Please begin to fill up those blank spaces! Thanks! 😊

Copies of *Our Daily Bread* and *The Upper Room* are in Fellowship Hall.

WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

The Reverend MaAn H. Barcelo, *Pastor*
Nicole Hughes, *Junior Choir Director*
Margie Hughes, *Heavenly Bells Director*
JoAnn Kulesza, *Music Director & Organist*
Bill Riggs, Sherrie Little, Sally Hight, Mike Keller, *Lay Speakers*
JoAnn Kulesza & Jill Peddicord, *Worship Team Leaders*
Sally & Kevin Hight, Eric Smaridge, Brady Duckett, *PowerPoint Presenters*
Shirley Owen, *Ushers Coordinator* Audrey Howard, *Greeters Coordinator*
Jeff Conley, *Bell Ringer* Kevin, Eric S, Brady, *The Treats Dudes*

THOSE SERVING TODAY ***December 22, 2013***

Greeters: Edgar Bowen, Eric Edstrom
Prayer Leader: Sherrie Little
Reader: Bill Malamphy
Ushers: Kathy Volz, Jean Strucko
Children's Time: Jill Peddicord
Nursery: Christina Valentine
Counters: Mary Jones, Ruth Gibbons
Audrey Howard

Fellowship Time
Ann Rawls

THOSE SERVING NEXT WEEK ***December 29, 2013***

Greeters: Sue & Joe Nasatka
Prayer Leader: Sherrie Little
Reader: Bill Riggs
Ushers: Sonny & Shirley Owen
Children's Time: Bill Riggs
Nursery: Margie & Richard Hughes
Counters: Harriet Macey, Ann Rawls

Fellowship Time
Betty Tillack

You may contact Worship Ministry Team Leaders and Pastor MaAn
through the church office, 410.263.5490.

Pastor MaAn may also be reached via email: pastormaan2005@gmail.com
EUMC e-mail: eastportumc@verizon.net Website: www.eastportumc.org

Readings for Next Week

First Sunday after Christmas

Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148; **Galatians 4:4-7**; Matthew 2:13-23

Consider using John Wesley's Three Simple Rules

in your daily prayer and meditation:

Do No Harm, Do Good, Stay in Love with God.

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DECEMBER EVENTS

Sundays:

Worship & Sunday School 10am.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services:

6 pm Family service

10 pm Music program

10:30pm Traditional service

Christmas Carol Sing-Along

Dec 29 during service

Interfaith New Year's Eve Service:

December 31

6:30pm Music program

7pm Service

Fellowship time follows.

Pastor MaAn and the Staff wish you a
Merry Christmas and
pray that God will continue to bless
you and all those you love.

