

# Main Street United Methodist Church



THEY ALL GATHER  
**TOGETHER**

*Second Sunday After Christmas Day*  
January 5, 2025

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**Order of Worship**

**Prelude**

**Prayer 255**

*Epiphany*

**Hymn 245**

*The First Noel*

**Reading**

*Isaiah 60:1-6*

**Children's Message**

**Hymn 254**

*We Three Kings*

**Congregational Life**

**Offering**

**Hymn 95**

*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

**Scripture**

*Matthew 2:1-12*

**Sermon**

*They All Gather Together*

**Holy Communion**

**Hymn 251**

*Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

**Sending 669**

*The Apostolic Blessing*

**Postlude**



**Sunday Next: First Sunday After Epiphany  
January 12, 2025 - Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

## **Isaiah 60:1-6**

<sup>1</sup> Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

<sup>2</sup> **For darkness shall cover the earth and thick darkness the peoples, but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.**

<sup>3</sup> Nations shall come to your light and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

<sup>4</sup> **Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together; they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried in their nurses' arms.**

<sup>5</sup> Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you; the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

<sup>6</sup> **A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.**  
(RSV)

## **Matthew 2:1-12**

<sup>1</sup> Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, <sup>2</sup> “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him.”

<sup>3</sup> King Herod was deeply disturbed when he heard this, as was everyone in Jerusalem. <sup>4</sup> He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law and asked, “Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?”

<sup>5</sup> “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they said, “for this is what the prophet wrote:

<sup>6</sup> ‘And you, O Bethlehem in the land of Judah,  
are not least among the ruling cities of Judah,  
for a ruler will come from you

who will be the shepherd for my people Israel.’”

<sup>7</sup> Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared. <sup>8</sup> Then he told them, “Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!” <sup>9</sup> After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! <sup>11</sup> They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

<sup>12</sup> When it was time to leave, they returned to their own country by another route, for God had warned them in a dream not to return to Herod. (NLT)

## *Main Street Church Calendar*

<b>Sunday, January 5, 2025</b>	
9:00 A.M.	Free Community Breakfast - <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
9:30 A.M.	Sunday School - <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
10:30 A.M.	Sunday Worship
<b>Wednesday, January 8, 2025</b>	
10:30 A.M.	Taking down Christmas decorations
6:00 P.M.	Bible Study - <i>Library</i> - Luke 3:15-17, 21-22
7:00 P.M.	Choir Practice - <i>Choir Room</i>
<b>Thursday, January 9, 2025</b>	
6:30 P.M.	NOW Committee Meeting - <i>Fellowship Hall</i>

### **Let Us Celebrate You!**

Birthday Fellowship Meal on Sunday, February 9, 2025! After morning worship. Watch for more information, and plan to bring a friend!

The Monthly Mission Offering for January is the **Reidsville High School Principal's Fund** which helps students who need assistance with school supplies and needs for being successful in high school. *Please use the yellow Monthly Mission Offering envelopes or indicate on your check. Thank you for your support!*

Everyone is invited to help take down the church's Christmas decorations on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 10:30 A.M.. *Your help is appreciated!*

The **NOW Committee** is collecting **boxes of instant oatmeal - individually wrapped** for the Reidsville Outreach Center during the month of January. *Thank you for your support!*

**Prayer List:** Homebound Members, Emma McGinnis, J.D. Paschal, Aaron Griffith, Barry Williams, Tommy Hicks, Johnny Glover, Jesse Sigmon, Joe Alexander, Joanna Gibbs, Dennis Irving, Shannon French, Wanda Poole, Mitch Mason, Regina Hampshire, Ray Gibson, Rebecca Filibey, John Noell, Donna Snoufer, John Rush, Mary Lynn Somers, Steven, Latoyia, Lee Rakestraw, Curtis Dickens, the Family of Tommie Ward. *\*Please call the church office to be added/removed from Prayer List.*