

### In Our Prayers:

Allison Baker, Gary Barber, James Bell, Bonnie Bramlett, Charlie & Pam Brown, Charlene Byrd, Amanda Chapman, Mary Thelma Cole, Jo Cox, Marc Daniel, Ronnie Dunnigan, Sr., Kevin Duvall, Sharon Elkins, James Elliott, Emma Ford, Marie Hamrick, Rosie Haney, Gwen Hanisch, Matt Hearn, Reynolds Hedland, **Rhonda Hilliard**, Robert & Ruth Hix, Jacque Holloway, Marie Holt, Susan Johnson Horton, Ed Howes, Bill Johnson, Tyler Kepley, Ken Knowlton, Ryan Kohn, Karl Kraus, Shannon Leeper, Ethelyne Lingle, Nat Mashburn, Will Mattison, **Anita McFarlane, Laurel McGuire**, Lynn McKibbin, Gary & Hannah McSwain, Bob Morrow, Jim Murray, Wells Neubert, Andrea O'Connor, Roger & Mary Paquette, Marlene Parker, Christina Pattillo, Phil Perry, Lea Phrist, Chuck Pinson, Steven Ray, Sharon Rice, Ellen Ringer, Ruth & Galen Shinkle, Jean Smilie, Sheila Stiles, George Talbot, Jim & Beth Talbot, Frank & Jennie Sue Taylor, Paula & Chuck Taylor, Shelley Taylor, Deborah Tedder, Renee Tully, John VanNamen, Carol Ward, Marti Warren, Charlie Wells, Robert Westmoreland, Doug Wix, Terry Woehr, Elliot Young.

### Welcome to Worship Covid Style

We are holding a 10:00 a.m. worship service inside our sanctuary. Seating in pews is arranged for social distancing and masks are required. Masks will be available if you forget yours. Ushers will escort you to your seat. Because seating is limited we are asking that you call the church office and let us know that you will be attending so we can reserve you a seat. You can call Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Fellowship Hall is being used as an overflow room where the service can be viewed in real time. You will be able to continue to worship in the parking lot as the FM 89.9 will still be operating. The service will also be streaming live on [facebook.com/ellijayfumc](https://www.facebook.com/ellijayfumc).

The Sunday message will continue to be loaded onto YouTube. This will be available on Monday mornings. In the search window type the date and ellijay for example:  
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This will bring up this past Sunday's message.

### Faith by the Fire!!

#### Our newest worship opportunity!!

**Bring your own chair, pick a spot by the fire and listen to the live 10:00 worship service. One added bonus to this style of worship is the available coffee cart. (Cups will be provided but don't forget your chair!) See you by the fire!**

### December 20, 2020 Worship Service We are so glad that you are here today. Let us worship God together.

#### Announcements

Prelude Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee by Beethoven  
12 Bells

Call To Worship Just One Candle by Teresa Jennings  
Vocalists: Jennetta Kelly & Sarah Thorne

#### Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Leader: We live on the brink every day. We stand on the threshold between this world and the next one. We live and move between the ordinary and divine, between the mundane and the mystery. Too often, we forget to look up and see the angels in our living room. We forget that the love we give and live is a sign of eternity, God with us, right now. We forget that company is coming..

**All: Luke tells us that God's favor came to a girl, an ordinary girl. It might have been the girl down the street or your grandchild. But the messenger of God came and greeted her and said, "The Lord is with you." What a gift and a promise: Emmanuel, God is with us.**

Leader: We light these candles with peace in our hearts for the promise of proximity, the nearness of God. Even when we forget to listen, to lean into that presence, God is as close as our own breath. This, in a confused and confusing world, is a peace that passes all understanding. It is the peace that knows that company is coming.

#### All: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Hymn of Praise Joy to the World

#### Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**



