

# 8:15 Worship

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## *First Sunday after Christmas Day*

Gathering Music *Joy to the World* Diana Thomas  
Words of Greeting and Grace  
Silent Reflection  
Centering Music UM Hymnal 223  
*Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light*  
Hymn of Praise UM Hymnal 240, vs. 1, 3  
*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*  
Celebrations and Concerns  
Call to Prayer *O Little Town of Bethlehem* UMH 230 v. 4  
Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer  
Offertory Scripture Luke 1: 46b-47, 49  
Offertory *All on a Christmas Morn* 8@8  
Offertory Chorus UM Hymnal 204  
*Emmanuel, Emmanuel*  
Prayer for Illumination  
Gospel Lesson Luke 2:22-40  
Sermon Rev. Elaine Lillison  
*Great Day in the Morning*  
Invitation and Prayer of Confession  
The Great Thanksgiving/Holy Communion  
*There's A Song in the Air* UM Hymnal 249  
*Sing We Now of Christmas* UM Hymnal 237  
Prayer after Communion  
Benediction and Sending Forth  
Choral Benediction UM Hymnal 251, Refrain  
*Go, Tell It on the Mountain*  
Postlude

# 9:30 Worship

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## *First Sunday after Christmas Day*

### *Gathering for Worship*

Gathering Music  
Welcome  
Songs of Praise Praise Team  
*Angels We Have Heard on High*  
*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*  
*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

### *Proclamation of the Word*

Prayer for Illumination  
Gospel Lesson Luke 2:22-40  
Sermon Rev. Elaine Lillison  
*Great Day in the Morning*

### *Response to the Word*

Celebrations and Concerns  
Call to Prayer *Worthy, You Are Worthy*  
Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer  
Offertory Scripture Luke 1: 46b-47, 49  
Offertory *God Is With Us* Deidre Kinville  
Offertory Chorus *Offering*

### *Sending Forth*

Closing Song *Joy to the World*  
Benediction and Sending Forth  
Postlude

# 10:50 Worship

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## *First Sunday after Christmas Day*

Gathering Music Kyle Thompson & Diana Thomas  
*Carols of Christmas*  
Call to Worship Worship Choir  
*Angels from the Realms of Glory*  
Words of Greeting and Grace  
Gathering Chorus Celebration 260, verse 1  
*Worthy, You Are Worthy*  
Opening Prayer  
Hymn of Praise Celebration 277  
*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*  
Anthem *God Is With Us* Deidre Kinville  
Celebrations and Concerns  
Call to Prayer *In the Bleak Midwinter* UMH 221, verse 3  
Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer  
Offertory Scripture Luke 1:26-38  
Offertory *Joy to the World* Diana Thomas  
Offertory Chorus UM Hymnal 94  
*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*  
Prayer for Illumination  
Gospel Lesson Luke 2:22-40  
Sermon Rev. Elaine Lillison  
*Great Day in the Morning*  
The Apostle's Creed UM Hymnal 881  
Closing Hymn Celebration 270  
*Joy to the World*  
Benediction  
Choral Benediction Celebration 258, Refrain  
*Go Tell It On the Mountain*  
Postlude Instruments of Praise  
*Joy to the World*

## This Week at Fuquay-Varina UMC

The Church Office will be closed  
12/29 – 1/2/09 for a staff work week.

**Sunday, December 28**  
7:00pm Monte de Olivas  
Sunday School  
7:30pm Monte de Olivas Worship

**Monday, December 29**  
9:30am Walk the Walk  
7:30pm Women Woven in Christ

**Tuesday, December 30**  
8:00pm New Way of Life - NA

**Wednesday, December 31**  
9:30am Walk the Walk  
10:00am Women's Bible Study  
8:00pm Monte de Olivias Worship

**Thursday, January 1, 2009**  
Church Office Closed

**Friday, January 2, 2009**  
7:00pm New Way of Life  
7:00pm Monte de Olivias Bible Study

**Saturday, January 3, 2009**  
8:00am Band Rehearsal

**Sunday, January 4, 2009**  
2:30pm Stephen Ministry  
Supervision Group  
3:00pm Youth Praise Band  
4:30pm Confirmation  
4:45pm Lifeline  
5:00pm FANFARE  
7:00pm Monte de Olivas  
Sunday School  
7:30pm Monte de Olivas Worship



**Great Day  
in the Morning**

*December 28, 2008*

### Next Sunday's Scriptures:

Isaiah 60:1-6  
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14  
Ephesians 3:1-12  
Matthew 2:1-12  
Galatians 5:22-23a

### Thought for the Day:

Eternal God, by the birth of Jesus Christ you gave yourself to the world. Grant that, being born in our hearts, he may save us from all our sins, and restore within us the image and likeness of our Creator, to whom be everlasting praise and glory, world without end. Amen.

### Kingdom Value: Caring

Caring: empowered by the Holy Spirit to compassionately nurture hope and healing.

### Our Thoughts and Prayers to:

Dorothy Herring, Mackenzie Jones, Linda Chilcoat, Ray Vitkus, Jean Gierman, George Gierman, Max Harris, Phil McCray, Theresa Jones, PJ Ramsey, Clay King, George Kemp, Ed Schmelzer, Frank McDowell, Gerry Martin, Wilma Blackstock, Ellen Tinsley, Brian Weller, Bob Spencer, Iris Brown, Ronnie Elliot, Ann Kemp, Bobbie Fletcher

### The Flowers on the Altar:

Are given to celebrate the glory of God and in celebration of Susan and Donald Reeves' 29th wedding anniversary.

### Christian Caregiving:

There is a Stephen Minister in the lobby near the library after each service. Please stop by to talk with us or find out more.

### By Our Presence 12/21/08

Worship Attendance: 777

### By Our Gifts 12/21/08

Received \$ 39,907.14  
Needed weekly \$ 25,281.00

### Office Hours

**Monday-Friday  
8:30am-5:00pm**

#### Pastor

Richard Stone (101)

#### Pastor

Elaine Lilliston (102)

**Director of  
Christian Education**  
Debra Murphy (106)

**Director of Music Ministries**  
Jennifer Harrenstein (105)

**Director of Youth Ministries**  
Kristy Hochhalter (103)

**Director of Children's Ministries**  
Stephanie Weeks (113)

#### Office Manager

Jane Gue (114)

#### Finance/

#### Building Superintendent

Bob Griffith (107)

#### Preschool Director

Lynne Sorrels (110)

#### Organist/Pianist

Diana D. Thomas

#### Nursery Manager

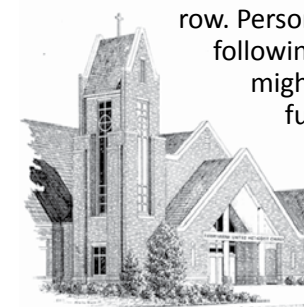
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### Statement of Faith

We are a people of God sustained by our faith in Jesus Christ and called to do God's work through the power of the Holy Spirit. We invite all to celebrate God's presence with us through worship and to support one another in Christian Fellowship. In prayerful obedience to Christ's teachings, we proclaim the Good News, teach the Scriptures, and serve others with the love of Christ.

## Welcome to Fuquay-Varina United Methodist Church!

We are blessed by your presence with us today. If you are new to our congregation please take a moment to fill out the "Guest Information" in the fellowship pads on each row. Persons are available in the Welcome Center following each worship service so that we might personally greet you and share further information about the ministries of the church. God Bless You!



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