

This Week at Our Church

Today FLC (Family Life Center)

10:00 am Sunday School, Sanctuary-Hemphill Hall

11:00 am **Worship**

Jan. 2 - Monday

TBA **Women in Crafting**, FLC rm 121,

7:00 pm **Mens' Bible Study**, FLC rm 119

Jan. 4 - Wednesday

3:00 pm *Prayer time for Marvin*

Wednesday Night Meal in the Café:

5:00 pm Salmon Noodle Casserole, Cheesy Biscuits,
Shrimp Corn Chowder

7:00 pm CA Substance Abuse classes, FLC Rm. 111

Jan. 6, Epiphany, Three Kings Day

Upcoming

Dec. Jan 2 Church Office Closed

Mar. 25, MarvinGanza



Monthly Meetings in the FLC, rm 119, Library

Marvin Ladies meeting, Monday, Jan. 2, 10:00 am

Marvin Leadership Team meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 10, 7:00 pm

Announcements must be in by Tuesday day for printing please email or talk to Dianne Masse, Administrative Assistant.

Hospital Notifications: If you or a direct family member is a patient in the hospital and would like to see the Pastor or receive Communion, please call the church office and let them know. This is the only consistent way our church will know there is someone in the hospital. Due to HIPAA laws, stating you are a Methodist on the admittance form will not be given out to your church. The office number is 706-863-0510.

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Prayer Requests

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill or are unable to attend church regularly. If you have any changes or additions, please call or email the Church Office.

Prayers for Merla Barrera, Ed Booth, George Chapman, Dallas Rogers, Nick Clark, Ken Courson, Pat Goodwin, Sandy Johnson, Ed Leathers, Duane Leazenby, Mason Perkins, Dolores McQueen, Amira Smith, Lindsey Trapp, Weston Trapp, Cora Varnedoe, and Leslie Wright.

Homebound Members, Richard Albert, Carol Ashworth, Carol Hendrickson.

Senior Living at St. John Towers, Sandra Sorrells, and Dot Adkins. We are the beacon of light and support for our **Military Families** as they endure deployments or other hardships while defending our national freedom. Pray for our **Active Duty Soldiers**, L/Cpl Alexis King, USMC; CPT Jaylen Smith, USA; 1LT Brijunna Smith, USA.

Offertory / Attendance

The church on average needs \$ 4,000 weekly for continuous operation, maintenance, and worship. 2020 Worship by video.

Last Week	2021	2020
Offertory	Same Week	Same Week
\$ 858 / 34	\$ 1,430 / 24	\$ 1,440 / 23

MARVIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4400 Wheeler Road, Martinez, GA 30907 | 706-863-0510

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm; Friday, Closed

Pastor Office Hours: I would love to meet with you! I am available at MUMC on

Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m. Making an appointment with me at ben.wills@ngumc.net or 706-842-8352 is always best.

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Staff

Rev. Ben Wills, *Pastor*

Dianne Masse, *Church Admin. Assistant & Notary Public*

Jerry Lu, *Pianist*

Richard Murray, *Custodian*

Lay Leadership

Sandy Leathers, *Marvin Leadership Team Chair*

Carmen Breakfield, *Lay Leader*

Marvin Preschool

Ginger Gruba, *Director* ~ 706-868-8877

Welcome

January 1, 2023



Marvin United Methodist Church



Welcome to the Family, we're glad you came today!
WELCOME! You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a guest from God. We hope you will find a loving Christian community, and we look forward to benefiting from your uniqueness.

Gathering to Worship the Good News

**Stand as you are able*

Prelude *“Angels We Have Heard on High,” UMH 238*

Lighting of the CandlesAcolyte

Greeting and AnnouncementsLiturgist

***Hymn of Praise**Together

“We Three Kings,” UMH 254, verse 1-3

Reading Isaiah 60:1-6 NIV.....Liturgist

***Response**Together

“The First Noel,” UMH 245, v. 3

Children’s Moment Kim Slack

Apostles Creed UMH 881

***Gloria Patri UMH 70**

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Ben Wills

Response *“The First Noel,” UMH 245, v. 5*

Offering Ourselves in Worship

Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Music *“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear,” UMH 218*

Hearing God’s Word

Scripture, Matthew 25:34-40 NIV... Rev. Ben Wills

Sermon Rev. Ben Wills

Receiving the Sacrament

Holy Communion UMH 12 Rev. Ben Wills

“O Little Town of Bethlehem,” UMH 230

Going Forth in Thankfulness

***Closing Hymn** Together

“Go Tell It on the Mountain,” UMH 251

***Benediction** Rev. Ben Wills

***Postlude**



Happy New Year!



Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 NIV

The Glory of Zion

¹ “Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. ² See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you. ³ Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴ “Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip. ⁵ Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. ⁶ Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the LORD.

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-13 NRSV

The Visit of the Wise Men

²In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, ‘Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.’ ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ “And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.”

⁷ Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’ ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.

¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Escape to Egypt

¹³ Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, ‘Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.’

Worship Notes

Message: _____

Sermon Notes: _____