

EPIPHANY- 6th SUNDAY

02/17/20196

10:00 am

A special word of welcome to those visiting our church today. We are happy you joined us in worship. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to worship with us each Sunday and to participate in other activities and services here.

Please stand for acts of worship designated with an asterisk (*). Any who prefer may “rise up” in spirit only, if physically standing presents difficulties.

**GATHERING
CHIMES CALLING US TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP**

PRELUDE “Concerto In A-Minor” Nancy Cook, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Pastor and Congregation
(The prayer station in the back of the sanctuary is available for lighting a candle or leaving a prayer note any time before, during, or after worship.)

***Note: Please be informed that our worship service is being recorded and carried live on face book and our website**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**
(Thank you for completing the yellow half sheet in the bulletin and dropping it in the offering plate. We greet those around us with words of welcome and peace.)

CENTERING PRAYER: UNISON
Eternal Lord of the Universe, send us your Spirit, that we may see what no human eye has ever seen; hear what no human ear has ever heard, and understand what no human heart has ever understood. Reveal to us the way you have prepared for those who love you. We cannot know your Way except through your Spirit who lights His fires within us and kindles the soul of the world. With obedient and humble hearts, we invite and await your Spirit! Amen!
(Litanies and other prayers for Common lectionary-year A;P.40.Everett Tilson & Phillis)

***Call to Worship: Walk in the Light of God - Leader and People**
L: Blessed are those who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked;
C: or stand in the way of sinners, or sit in the seat of scoffers.
L: But their delight is in the ordinance of the Lord, their God;
C: and God’s ordinance they meditate day and night.
L: They are like threes planted by the streams of water;
C: that yield their fruit in season.

L: and their leaves neither change nor wither;
TOGETHER:
In all that they do, they acknowledge their God, and they prosper!

OPENING HYMN # 365 *Grace Greater than Our Sins*

OPENING INVOCATION: UNISON
Almighty God, you both judge and offer pardon. Long ago you declared your laws among the human family. Yet, through the centuries of our history and the years of our lives, we’ve repeatedly done one thing, smashed your tablet upon the stones and broken your commandments. We cried then and still do today, that your Way and Will are too difficult. We turned our backs and walked away from your presence. Yet, at the appointed time, you sent Jesus of Nazareth with a new set of laws. The laws through Jesus were not written on stone tablets, but on the tablets of our hearts. Gracious God, thank you for Jesus, our “Divine Intervenor,” through whom we are pardoned and granted the grace of your salvation. In His name we pray. Amen

CHILDREN’S TIME **PASTOR**

PRAISE TEAM

GOD’S WORD IN SCRIPTURES

New Testament: *Romans 5:1-8*
Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God
Cong: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM CHOIR “Lord, Lead Me, Lord” Nancy Cook, Director

Gospel: *Luke 5:17-26*
Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God,
Cong: Thanks be to God

WITNESSING TO THE WORD

Theme: CHRIST, “THE DIVINE INTERVENOR...”

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER **Pastor**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING and OFFERTORY

Words of Invitation & Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory **“Prayer”** **Nancy Cook, Organist**

*** The Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication:**

Gracious God, your love and care for us is revealed in the life and work of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This causes us to rejoice that a part of our offerings and tithes today will go to provide life's necessities for our neighbors in both our community and the world. Merciful God, may you accept and use our gifts and us as extensions of your love for all of humanity in your Son's name. Amen!

***UM Hymn # 413**

A Charge to Keep I have

***SENDING FORTH IN GOD'S LOVE AND CARE/ BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

**Thank you for being a part of today's worship experience.
Rest assured God loves you, and so do we!**



HELP NEEDED

Please be informed that some of our homebound members would love to get to church on Sunday. Unfortunately they don't have transportation. We are appealing to anyone who would be able and willing to help in this area of service, please contact the church office at (262) 633-7632.

The current need is:

Jane Crawford, 3648 Green Street, her phone number is 639-6989

Heidi, 310 High Street, her phone number is (610) 283-4418

Thank you in advance for your help!!



JOYS AND CONCERNS OF OUR PARISH AND THE WORLD

Prayers for health and family issues for Laurie Lewis.

Prayers for Loretta and her family.

Prayers for favor and Blessing for Anthonie Cate in finding a job.

Prayers appreciated for Joe Sens.

Prayers are needed for Randy Hempel, son-in-law of Peggy & Paul Nejedly dealing with serious health issues.

Thoughts and prayers for health and healing for Nancy Drott who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

OUR RECORD LAST WEEK

Worship Attendance	10:00 am – 59
Plate/Pledges	\$2924.00
Missions	\$11.65
Pastor Fund	\$3.00

COMING THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, February 17

9:00 am – Faith To Life Bible Study

10:00 am – Morning Worship

5:00 pm – Casa de Dios Worship Service

Monday, February 18

6:30 pm – Casa de Dios Bible Study

Tuesday, February 19

6:00 pm – Finance Meeting

7:00 pm – Administrative Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 20

6:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, February 23

Noon – Sack Lunch Program, St. Luke's Episcopal, hosts

Announcements

The next Finance meeting is February 19th at 6:00 pm

The next Administrative Board meeting is February 19th at 7:00 pm

March Newsletter

If you'd like something in the March newsletter please email me at racine1umc@tds.net by Tuesday, February 19th.

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request or praise report please put them on the yellow attendance sheet, call the office or email me. We'll keep them on the Joys & Concerns list for 3 weeks, if you'd like it on longer please state that or you can request again. Thank you!!

Amazon Smile

First United Methodist Church Racine has partnered with Amazon Smile to allow those of us who choose to purchase items from Amazon to donate a percentage of the cost of the purchase price to our church. If you use Amazon, we hope that you will choose to designate First United Methodist Church as your charity of choice. The following link will allow you to designate First United Methodist Church. <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-0989786>. Please share this link with family and friends who would be willing to support our church through Amazon Smile.

RUMMAGE SALE IN THE WORKS

Mark your calendars and start collecting your rummage!

The United Methodist Women will host the Rummage Sale Saturday April 27th, in the church social room. Books, toys, linens, household items, decorations, etc., will be appreciated (no clothing, please). We'll then need help in setting up on Thursday and Friday of that week. Watch for additional details in the weekly bulletins.

*****All donations must be received by Wednesday April 24th *****



RUMMAGE SALE

**Saturday, April 27th
9:00 am until 2:00 pm**

**First United Methodist Church
745 Main Street
Downtown Racine**

***Baked goods for sale
*Parking Available**

