

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fort Dodge, IA

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.



January 6, 2019

Epiphany Sunday

**Indicates you are invited to stand if you are comfortable doing so*

WELCOME

If you are a visitor with us today, we warmly say welcome. We invite you to join us at the rear of the sanctuary after worship for fellowship and refreshment. Please take a moment and fill out the "Ritual of Friendship" pads at this time. **Please list all family members attending today, your address and phone number**, and then pass the books back through the pews after everyone has signed, so you may greet and know those sitting with you.

PRELUDE

TRINITY CHIMES

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

***CALL TO PRAISE AND PRAYER**

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of God's goodness and grace has risen upon you.

We come like the Magi, following the star of the Christ child.

Arise, shine, for your moment has come, and the glory of God's love and mercy flows through you into the world.

We come like Paul, to share the good news that Christ lives among us.

Arise, shine, for you are called to be God's people, and to bring good news and great joy to a world that yearns for wholeness and peace.
Let us worship the God who calls us.

***OPENING HYMN**

"We Three Kings"
UMH #254

OPENING PRAYER

Bright, shining Maker of visions and dreams, the good news of your love lights up the world with radiant glory. We see you in rain and snow, in sunrise and sunset, in the smiles and hugs and celebrations that greet the new year. Like the Magi who followed a star to welcome the newborn Christ, help us follow the star of your love and bring gifts of wholeness and peace to a world that is broken and in pain; Share with us the boundless riches of your grace, that we might be bearers of goodness, in the name of Jesus, who is the Christ, now and in the days to come. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"
UMH #229

KID'S MOMENTS

The congregation sings "Where Children Belong" (p. 2233) as the children come forward. Ushers collect the "Ritual of Friendship Pads" at this time.

"Where Children Belong"

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song. This is where children belong.

CHANCEL CHOIR

"In the Bleak Midwinter"

READING

Matthew 2:1-12

HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Angels from the Realms of Glory"
UMH #220

SERMON

Rev. Andrea Kraushaar

COMMUNION SERVICE

Communion Meditation
Communion

UM #13
"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"
J. S. Bach

Offering plates are placed at the front of the center aisle for your
tithes and gifts.

***CLOSING HYMN**

"On This Day Earth Shall Ring"
UMH #248
Vs 1-3

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE**

"On This Day Earth Shall Ring"
UMH #248
Vs #4

POSTLUDE

Yuletide Recessional
Lani Smith

Matthew 2:1-12 New International Version (NIV)

2 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

³When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born.⁵"In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:

⁶"But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

⁷Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. ⁸He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

⁹After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.¹²And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

The Lord's Cupboard "CHALLENGE" for January will be powdered laundry detergent, canned fruits & veggies, instant mashed potatoes and egg noodles. Please drop your items in the shopping cart in the Wesley Parlor in the church building.

The next Filling Station meal and service will be held on Wednesday, January, 16th. The menu for the evening will be ham balls, mashed potatoes, vegetable, salad, bread and dessert. There is a signup sheet in the Wesley Parlor on the west table for those who will be attending. It is important that you signup so that the appropriate amount of food can be prepared for the meal.

Those preparing the meal are asking for volunteers on Wednesday evenings to help with cleaning up—picking up plates, clearing tables, putting dishes in dishwasher and putting dishes away. Please be sure to take your turn helping with the cleanup!

FUMC is scheduled to deliver Meals on Wheels (MOW) January 9-11th. There are five (5) MOW routes. Two people are scheduled to deliver a route. One person drives and the other person delivers the meal to the door. It usually takes 1-1 1/2 hours. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact Connie Boyd at 515-571-2118. Thank you.

The 2019 Offering Envelopes are in the Wesley Parlor on the west table. If you use the giving envelopes, please feel free to take a box. It does not matter which box you take as they are no longer numbered. If the boxes are all gone, please stop by the office to pick up a box or let Becky know and she will bring more over to the church.

The 2019 flower chart has been posted on the kiosk. If you would like to sign up for flowers or grains for a Sunday in 2019, please be sure to sign up. Once your name is on the list you will be responsible to contact the florist of your choice to have flowers delivered for your particular Sunday. If you have any questions, you can call Becky at the church office.

The December mission offering will go to support the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. You will find a table in the back of the church to make your contribution at your convenience. Thank you to all who help with their monetary donations!

Church Budget and Attendance Information

December 24th Attendance—234

December 30th Attendance—80

Giving December 24th & 30th— \$23,657.36

Year-to Date Giving—\$403,508.24

Year-to-Date Expenses —\$417,851.72

If you are unable to come to the altar for communion, please let the ushers know and the Pastor or a communion assistant will bring communion to you in your pew.

Please keep the following members of First UMC in your prayers: Jerry Schnurr Sr, Audrey Metier, Jean Burke, Jim Metzger, Kate Ray (Lorree Lee's mom), Marilyn Raine, Jan Olson, Bonnie Kersten, those in nursing homes and those men and women in our armed forces. Please let the church office know of anyone who may need prayers.

**Opportunities for Work, Witness and Fellowship
through First United Methodist Church**

Sun, Jan 6

8:30 am Chancel Choir
 8:30 am Sunday School
 9:45 am Worship
 5:00 pm Confirmation
 6:30 pm HS Youth Group

Mon, Jan 7

9:00 am Pew Crew
 12:00 pm Al-Anon

Tues, Jan 8

9:30 am Lord's Cupboard
 4:00 pm Lord's Cupboard
 6:30 pm One Board Mtg
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Wed, Jan 9

11:00 am Staff Meeting
 3:30 pm SALT
 4:30 pm Joyful Noise
 5:15 pm King's Kids

Wed, Jan 9 Cont'd

6:00 pm Wesley Ringers
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thur, Jan 10

9:30 am Lord's Cupboard

Fri, Jan 11

1:00 pm Lord's Cupboard

Sat, Jan 12

5:00 pm Community Manna Meal
 Served by Northfield
 Church

Sun Jan 13

8:30 am Sunday School
 9:45 am Worship
 5:00 pm Confirmation
 6:30 pm HS Youth Group

Your Staff:
The Congregation, The Ministers
Andrea Kraushaar, Pastor
Becky Ostheimer, Administrative Assist.
Megan Cassady, Youth Coordinator
Mark W. McClellan, Organist
Gretchen Stanley, Chancel Choir
Brian Robison, Wesley Ringers
Amy Champagne, Children's Choirs
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GREETERS

Barb Chingren (West Door)
Connie Boyd (East Door)
Eric Pearson (South Door)

LITURGIST

Jan Krass

**The mission of First United
Methodist Church is to Love,
Grow, and Serve in Jesus Christ.**

Loving: Loving God and neighbors in
all we say, do and live.

Growing: Growing in faith through
worship, prayer, and study
of God's word.

Serving: Serving others and sharing
God's message.