

# Order of Worship

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| January 8, 2017                             | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Epiphany      | 10:30 a.m.      |
| Gathering of God's Children                 |  |                 |
| Welcome and Announcements                   |  |                 |
| Prelude                                     |  | William Elliott |
| Bringing in the Light of Christ             |  | Acolytes        |
| Choral Call to Worship                      | "How Majestic Is Your Name"                | Chancel Choir   |
| *Hymn of Praise                             | "When Jesus Came to Jordan"                | UMH 252         |
| *Opening Prayer (Unison)                    | "Baptism of the Lord"                      | UMH 253         |
| *Hymn of Affirmation                        | "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"          | UMH 133         |
| Children's Time                             |  | Cindy Elliott   |
| Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer            |  |                 |
| Receiving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings |  |                 |
| Offertory                                   |  | William Elliott |
| *Doxology                                   | "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" | UMH 95          |
| Anthem                                      | "What A Difference You've Made in My Life" | Cason           |
| Scripture                                   | Matthew 3:13-17                            |                 |
| Sermon                                      | "Washed and Filled Up"                     | Pastor Brad     |
| *Invitation to Discipleship                 |  |                 |
| *Hymn of Preparation                        | "Down to the River to Pray"                |                 |
| *Congregational Reaffirmation of Baptism    |  | UMH 50          |
| *Dismissal with Blessing                    |  |                 |
| *Choral Benediction                         | "May The Road Rise To Meet You"            | Chancel Choir   |
| *Taking out the Light of Christ             |  | Acolytes        |
| *Postlude                                   |  | William Elliott |
| *People Stand as Able                       |  |                 |

**Welcome to First United Methodist Church!** We are glad you came. Please feel welcome to take part in any of the activities we list in the bulletin or announce from the pulpit. We are here to help you grow in your faith in Jesus Christ. If you have questions or needs, please tell us. Also, please use the attendance registration pads located in each seat, and share those with folks sitting near you. Your presence is a blessing!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### IMMEDIATE NEEDS

E. C. and Beverly **Browning**, Darlene **Dolin**, Linda **Douthat**, Vicki **Furrow**, Carter **Graves** (Ervin and Charlotte Rich's Great-Grandson), Amanda **Griffith**, Erinn **Hollo**, Tim **Jarrett**, Patty **Ramage**, Deb **Sarver**, Marguerite **Smith**, Edith **Wilkinson**

### OUR MILITARY

Ryan **Shott**, Lucas **Graham**, Jeremy **Woody**, Jerome **Moody** and those serving our country

### LONG TERM ILLNESS

Marie **Anderson**, Barbara **Bailey**, Bobbie **Bellamy** (Margaret Elam's Sister), Smokey **Blaylock**, Edna **Bone**, Joe **Davidson**, Leon **Devor**, Ethel **Earls**, Syd **Ellison**, Margaret **Farmer**, Russell **Garrett**, Shirley **Glover**, Dr. David **Kovach**, Charles **Miller** (Pam Rose's father), Gary **Pardue**, Gerrie **Porter**, Wilma **Shay**, Nancy **Trenton**, Irma **Webb**, Ted **Yost**

*Children's Bulletins are available in the Narthex. One for ages 3-6 and one for ages 7-12.*

Acolytes: Chase Brown and Bruce Terry

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

|                              |                          |            |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| <b>Sunday, January 8</b>     | Worship Service          | 8:30 a.m.  |
|                              | Sunday School            | 9:30 a.m.  |
|                              | Worship Service          | 10:30 a.m. |
|                              | Beth More Study          | 6:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Monday, January 9</b>     | Finance Committee        | 6:30 p.m.  |
| <b>Tuesday, January 10</b>   | TOPS                     | 5:30 p.m.  |
|                              | SPR Committee            | 6:30 p.m.  |
| <b>Wednesday, January 11</b> | Prayer Time at the Altar | 9:00 a.m.  |
|                              | Bible Study              | 6:00 p.m.  |
|                              | Choir Rehearsal          | 7:00 p.m.  |

**UPDATED CHURCH DIRECTORIES** will be available one per family at the church. Included is the officer list for 2017.

**CHURCH COUNCIL** will meet January 15 at 4:00 p.m. to train and plan the church's work for the year. Every officer is needed.

Our first opportunity to be a part of a Mission in 2017 is coming up on February 4, 2017. **TOM GRAHAM AND GAVIN YATES ARE GOING TO BE A PART OF A CONSTRUCTION TEAM FOR ZION CHILDREN'S HOME.** The construction is pouring a concrete slab for a small office building, a handicapped ramp on cottage #2, and remodeling the kitchen at the manse. Needed cost for this trip is \$1,500.00. Please start covering this Mission Team in Prayer. If you can help financially, please mark your checks Feb 4th Mission Trip.

The youth are selling **2017 GOD'S CREATION CALENDARS** – cost \$7.00. They also have greeting cards and prayer beads for sale. See any youth member or come by the church office.

The **FLOWER CALENDAR FOR 2017** has been placed outside the office door. Please sign up to have flowers placed on the altar in memory of or in honor of someone. Center vase is \$20.00. Side vases are \$15.00 each.

If you have a current **PRAYER REQUEST**, please call the church office.

| <b>RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS</b>       |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>JANUARY 2017</b>                 |             |
| 2017 Monthly Budget                 | \$23,721.00 |
| Monthly Tithes & Offerings to Date  | \$ 2,499.24 |
| Monthly Unbudgeted Receipts to Date | \$ 205.00   |
| ATTENDANCE: January 1               |             |
| 8:30 a.m. Service                   | 13          |
| 10:30 a.m. Service                  | 80          |
| Total Worship                       | 93          |
| Sunday School                       | 29          |



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Church**

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