

12.23.18

Sunday Worship

8:30 & 11:00 AM

NO 9:45 AM Sunday School

Wednesdays Downtown

Eat. Worship. Grow.

5:15 PM - Meal

6:00 PM – Worship

6:00 PM – Children’s Activities

7:00 PM – Youth Group

~ welcome ~

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*Sharing the love of Jesus  
with the next generation from  
the heart  
of Downtown*

**Verse for**

**Reflection ~ Micah 5:2, 4-5a**

But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times. He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they will live securely, for then his greatness will reach to the ends of the earth. And he will be our peace.

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**IN OUR PRAYERS:** *family of Janice Airhart, Lila Adams, family of Betty Miskimins, family of Lisa Shippy, Harlan Quenzer, Laura Barta Lindquist, and all those who have to work on Christmas Day to keep our community safe and functioning at it's best.*

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**RADIO BROADCAST (KORN 1490AM)** is given *loving memory of my husband, Marvin, our daughter Darlette whose birthday would have been Dec. 25, and granddaughter Amie Jo, by Darlene Koster.*

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**ALTAR FLOWERS** are from the funeral of Betty Miskimins, who passed away on December 12, 2018.

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**RADIO BROADCAST SPONSOR NEEDED** for **December 30**. If you would like to sponsor this in honor, memory, gratitude, or a special occasion, please contact the office. Cost is \$125.

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**LIVE STREAM SPONSORSHIPS** are available each week for \$50.

A portion of our general giving, as well as designated gifts in **December** will go towards Global Aids Project/Center for Health & Hope.

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**UNAFRAID** – Where does fear touch your life and your soul? None of us want to live in fear, but to overcome this overbearing presence, we might first have to look carefully at the many dimensions of fear and how we can be “overcomers” in how we deal with it. Join us here at Downtown Mitchell First UMC for a 5-part sermon series called “**Unafraid**”, beginning **January 6, 2019**. Small groups will also be offered for further discussion and growth. (See below) We really need each other to encourage and help us all on this journey of faith.

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**SMALL GROUP STUDY** – It seems that fear is an ever-present reality in our world...often even in our own lives. But how do we deal with it? In **January, 2019**, we will be offering a study of the book “*Unafraid*” by Adam Hamilton. To join the study or to facilitate a group (leader materials will be available), please write “Unafraid Study” on your Connection Card or call the office. “*Fear doesn’t have to control our lives.*”

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**THANK YOU** to all who donated, served and helped in any way to make our Love Feast Christmas Meal a success. ~ Love Feast Task Force

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The following thank you was started by Janice Airhart prior to her death and found by her family. They would like to share it with you. “*THANK YOU to Pastor Keith and our church family for the kind words and prayers for our family during my hospital stay and the loss of our grandson. Thank you also to the Health Ministry Team and Children’s Ministry Team. Everyone was so thoughtful with their cards, visits, and kind help.*”

~Jon & Janice Airhart, Craig, Angie & Madison Airhart, and Meagan, Steve, Walker & Brie Somerville

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**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**TODAY**

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
- 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship in JGA
- 9:45 AM **NO** Sunday School / Confirmation
- 11:00 AM Blended Worship Service Aired on KORN

**MONDAY**

- NOON Office closes
- 4:30 PM Christmas Eve Carols & Candlelight
- 6:30 PM Christmas Eve Communion & Candlelight

**TUESDAY**

Office closed

**WEDNESDAY**

- 9:30 AM **NO** Parent's Day Out
- 5:15 PM **NO** Meal, JGA
- 6:00 PM **NO** Casual Worship, Chapel; Children's Activities, Rm 205
- 7:00 PM **NO** Youth Group
- 7:00 PM **NO** Praise Team



**Upcoming Events**

**Sun., Dec. 30** One Worship Service at 9:30, **NO** Sunday School

**Tues., Jan. 1, 2019** New Year's Day – office closed



**POINSETTIAS ARE GIVEN IN**

- memory of Bryan Wilson and Roger Barta, by Dale & Deb Wilson
- honor of Laura Barta Lindquist, by Dale & Deb Wilson
- honor of all who helped or participated in the New Consecration Stewardship Campaign, by Matt & Jayne Barnard
- memory of Rae Sieverding, by Matt & Jayne Barnard
- memory of Elden Barnard, Mark Barnard & Ruth Barnard, by Matt & Jayne Barnard
- memory of my husband, Ross Wright, by Donna Wright
- memory of our parents, Robert & Shirley Ruml and George (James) Smith, by Mark & Kathy Ruml
- memory of our granddaughter, Brooklyn Howard, by Mark & Kathy Ruml
- loving memory of Ross Lee & Nellie King, by Caroline Lee
- memory of all our grandparents, by Ryan & Robyn Henglefeld
- memory of Cathy Heisinger, Leonard Heisinger, and Robert Johnson, by Kim & Jerry Heisinger
- memory of Delbert Toben, by Margaret Toben & family
- memory of Ann Mitchell, by Dave Mitchell
- memory of Ed Stunes & Tom Shonley by Roger & Leana Stunes
- memory of Allan & Connie Dennert, and Cliff & Helen Maddocks, by Bill & Deb Maddocks & family
- memory of Duane & Doris Hildebrand, Don Brink, Ken Reinesch, Clarion, Bryan & Gabriel Wilson, and Roger Barta, by Craig, Amy &

Megan Hildebrand  
honor of Natalie Wilson and Laura Barta Lindquist, by Craig,  
Amy & Megan Hildebrand  
memory of Lois Nielson and Kenny Parker, by Polly Parker  
memory of my best friend, my sister, Aileen Kinder, by Barb  
Lapka  
honor of Tim Knight and all people who are on the Alzheimer  
journey, by Carolyn, Ryan, Stephanie, Derrick & Kendra Knight  
memory of Franklin & Helen Knight, and Ana Elizabeth Knight,  
by Tim & Carolyn Knight & families  
memory of Kenneth Baldwin, and Barb & Leon Budahl, by Kathy  
& Mark Budahl  
memory of my wife, Phyllis DeLancey, by Bud DeLancey  
memory of Adam Crane, Clyde & Esther Olson, and Ivan &  
Marcella Crane, by Larry & Mary Crane  
memory of Jennifer Fanning, Orville, Floy, Merritt, Steve & Craig  
Brown, Dale & Evie Andersen, David Andersen, Lynn Metcalf, and Lissa  
Brown, by Vicki Brown  
memory of Dale & Evelyn Andersen, Dave & Jeanette Andersen,  
Tyler & Luke Heins (grandsons), Sydney Heins (granddaughter), and  
Ray Rylance, by Roberta Rylance & family  
memory of my mom, Wilma Schlimgen, by Barbara Horton  
memory of my father, Steve Russell and all our grandparents, by  
Travis & Annika Manke  
memory of our parents and celebration of our children and  
grandchildren, by Ila Mebius & Short Larson

Please take your poinsettia with you following the Christmas Eve Service.

**To our Church Family and Friends of  
Downtown Mitchell First United Methodist Church,  
we wish you all a very Merry Christmas!**

What a journey 2018 has been. We have seen God at work and breaking through in our church and community in exciting and powerful ways. As Staff for Downtown Mitchell First UMC, we are pleased and honored to be a part of this journey with all of you, our church family. Together we are truly able to say, "Immanuel" – God is with us! God is at work in our midst. We look forward to where God's Spirit leads us all in 2019. God Bless each and every one of us, and our church, in the year to come!!

**Pastors Keith and Jerry, Carolyn, Short, Irma and Dan**