

***Jesus did this, the first of his signs,
in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory;
and his disciples believed in him.***

John 2:11, NRSV



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WORSHIP TIME: 10:30AM

*Sunday School during worship/ Coffee Hour follows worship
Celebrating over 190 years of serving Christ and the community
Incorporated: September 1828*

Our Mission Statement:

*To be a church alive with Christ by living, growing and declaring
the Good News of Jesus.*

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First UMC Greene
Sunday, January 16, 2022; 10:30am
2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

PRELUDE – At this time, please settle into a spirit of silent meditation so to prepare for your encounter with God.
CHIMING OF THE HOUR Westminster Chimes

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Please stand for the entrance of the Christ Candle**

***INTROIT:** *Sanctuary* **FWS 2164**

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION:**

Lector: Dianne Evans

Gracious God, we come to you in confidence. As you called and walked with your people in ages past, so too have you called us and walked with us. We praise you for your great goodness. We await what you would say to us during this time of worship. Open our hearts, loosen our lips, clear our minds, and dispel our anxieties that we may praise you and experience the miracle of your divine grace. Through Jesus, our Lord and Savior, we pray. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *Great is Thy Faithfulness* **UMH 140** **Lector: Dianne Evans**

EPISTLE LESSON: *1 Corinthians 12:1-11* Lector: Dianne Evans

CHILDREN'S TIME *This, This is Where Children Belong* **TFWS 2233**
(Children leave for Sunday School after the lesson)

ANTHEM *Bind Us Together*

***GOSPEL LESSON** *John 2:1-11*

Leader: This is the Word of God for us, the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON A Super Abundance of Grace Thanna Howell

PASTORAL PRAYER with *The Lord's Prayer*

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.

CLOSING HYMN *They Will Know We are Christians by our Love* **FWS 2223**

***BENEDICTION...**

L: May the Peace of Christ be with you

P: And also with you.

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Let There Be Peace on Earth* **UMH 431**

POSTLUDE

***Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit**

Announcements:

- 1) Pastor Michele will be traveling home today. Please contact Merelyn Rogers at 607-725-3621 should you feel you need emergency pastoral counsel.
- 2) Applefest meeting will be held today, January 16, after church.
- 3) Confirmation Class for those youth in 6th grade through 12th is being planned to begin on Jan. 30 following worship, so around 12:00pm each Sunday. Confirmation service will be June 5 (Pentecost). If you would like your child enrolled, please inform Pastor Michele. Deadline to sign up is January 20.
- 4) The Church contact list is on the kitchen counter. PLEASE confirm your information with a checkmark to the side by your name or make updates as are needed. Thank you. Once the update process is completed, this will be emailed to everyone. A few copies will be made for those who do not have email.
- 5) Due to the Governor's mandate, through Jan. 15 masks will be required to be worn by everyone while indoors unless you are eating or drinking.
- 6) Don't forget to record your prayer requests on the form which is in the kitchen. Pastor will lift these names during each week's Pastoral Prayer. You can also email or call her, whichever way is easier for you. The Webpage is also a very easy and convenient way to ask for prayer. Just click on the Prayer tab near the top of the page.

Prayers of the People:

May God hear our prayers for... Teddy & Clifford Crampton, Emily Dunckle, John Yetter, Riley (Morgan's friend), Asa & Kennedy, Stephen TaylorRoth, Earl Howell, Tom Abrahansom, Marti Edmonds, *the McMullen grandchildren*, Jackie & Jerry Elias, *Rachel & Brady*, *Family and friends of Beverly Sternberg*, Scott & Brandi, Jazmyne, Jordan

And also our New Prayer Requests for...

NOTE: Names who are added to our prayer list will automatically stay on for two weeks. You will see these names in regular font the first week, *italics* the second week and the third week their name will rotate off our list. When a name in *italics* should remain on our prayer list for an additional two-week rotation, please let Pastor know in writing via email or text. If you know of someone who can come OFF our prayer list also advise Pastor. Thank you.