

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE, STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

ADULT FELLOWSHIP: Meets the third Saturday of each month, Sept. thru May, and invites adults of all ages to join them.

Contact Person: Gail Van Dyke, 856-667-6354

UNITED METHODIST MEN: Meet at 7:45am for breakfast on the third Sunday of each month, September through May.

All men of all generations. Contacts: Doug Sell, Jr. 267-259-0621, Taylor Ruilova, 905-5198

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN: Miriam Circle meets second Monday 7:30 pm., Barbara Dapper, Leader, 235-1765

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY: 2pm Rm. E204. All welcome! Contact Person: Dale Duffin, 609-845-3044

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: 7:30-9 A.M. at Maritsa's in Maple Shade. Contact Person: Carol Talbot, 856-235-9346

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Contact Persons: Kathy Appleton, 856-234-0089, Suanne Bryan 856-824-0672

Mike Zolty 609-261-4088, Michael Harsche 856-778-3520, Pat Cornell 856-727-9476

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES: See Information Board in Narthex

PRAYER MINISTRY: Prayer Room (varied hours)

Contacts: Lonnie and Barbara DeHart, 609-261-1253

Email prayer chain: To add a name to the email prayer chain, contact Church@meetwithGod.com

TUESDAYS WITH GOD – A Weekly Prayer Gathering of the Faithful, meets every Tuesday evening from 6:00-6:45 p.m.

for prayer in the chapel. Led by Pastor HeyYoung.

LIGHT HARBOR MINISTRIES: Third Sunday of each month @ 2:30. Contact person: Linda Wanagas, 273-1298

JR. HIGH UMYF (7-8TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

SR. HIGH UMYF (9-12TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

C.H.U.M. (2-4th Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

CHRISTIAN TRAILBLAZERS (5th-6th Grades) Meets every Thursday, 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

YOUNG FOLLOWERS (K-1st Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 in Fell. Hall for dinner and proceed to choir at 5:15

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

COLLEGE AGE: Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN): Contact Person: Allan Hanlon, 802-1100

PRAISE TEAM - MUSIC AND BAND - Meets twice a month on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. (check bulletin for schedule)

GOSPEL CHOIR – Meets twice a week: Sunday at 12:15 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.

CHOIRS AND HANDBELLS -

ADULT CHOIR Thursday 8:00-10:00 p.m.

YOUTH (7th -12th grade) Thursday 7:00-7:45 p.m.

WESLEY (5th - 6th grade) Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

JUNIOR (2nd - 4th grade) Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

PRIMARY (5 yrs. - 1st grade) Thursday 5:15-5:45 p.m.

ADULT BELLS Sunday 12:15-1:15 p.m.

YOUTH BELLS (7th - 12 grade) Sunday 6:00-6:50 p.m.

JUBILATION CHIMERS (4th-6th grade) Sunday 5:15-5:50 p.m.

Contact Person: Glenn Rodgers, 222-9369 (Music Department)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 P.M. Contemporary Worship in the Chapel

Sunday: 8:30 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Chapel

9:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary



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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ with a hurting world through words and actions

January 4, 2015

COMMUNION

9:30 A.M. Service

EPIPHANY

We welcome you to this service of praise and adoration. Let God speak to you through the songs and the message, and enjoy the fellowship of those who are seeking the Lord and the spiritual help that we need for daily living.

Curt Diehl, Worship Leader

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: A new day has dawned, a new year begun

People: O Lord, call us so we may hear Your voice

Leader: The world turns to hopes and dreams of the future

People: O Lord, keep us in Your ways and on Your path

Leader: We enter this new year with hope and excitement

People: O Lord, remind us that You lead us. O Lord, guide us to look to You, and worship You. Rev. Mindi

WORSHIP IN SONG: FOREVER (by Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves)

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King; His love endures forever. For He is good; He is above all things.

His love endures forever. Sing praise. Sing praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm, His love endures forever. For the life that's been reborn, His love endures forever. Sing praise. Sing praise. *Chorus: Forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong. Forever God is with us, forever, forever.*

From the rising to the setting sun His love endures forever. And by the grace of God we will carry on; His love endures forever. Sing praise. Sing praise. Sing praise. Sing Praise. *Chorus (2000 Six Steps Music)*

HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD (by Chris Tomlin)

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide, and trembles at His voice, trembles at His voice. *Chorus: How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God.*

And age to age He stands and time is in his hands, beginning and the End, Beginning and the End. The God-head, three in one, and Father and Spirit and Son, The Lion and the Lamb, Lion and the Lamb. *Chorus*

(bridge) 'Cause You're the Name above all names, and worthy of all praise. And my heart will sing: How great is our God. You're the Name above all names, and worthy of all praise. And my heart will sing: *Chorus* (bridge) Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, how great Thou art, how great Thou art. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, how great Thou art, how great Thou art. *Chorus (2004 worshiptogether.com Songs)*

THIS IS AMAZING GRACE (by Phil Wickham) (2000-2014 AZLyrics.com)

Verse 1 Who breaks the power of sin and darkness, whose love is mighty and so much stronger

The King of Glory, the King above all kings. Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunde , and leaves us breathless in awe and wonder The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

Chorus: This is amazing grace, this is unfailling love, that You would take my place that You would bear my cross. You lay down Your life that I would be set free Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.

Verse 2 Who brings our chaos back into order, who makes the orphan a son and daughter

The King of Glory, the King of Glory. Who rules the nations with truth and justice, shines like the sun in all of its brilliance The King of Glory, the King above all kings. *Chorus*

(Bridge) Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Worthy is the King who conquered the grave. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, worthy is the King who conquered the grave. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, worthy is the King who conquered the grave. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain worthy, worthy, worthy, Oh *Chorus*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Holy God, we long to be faithful stewards of your abundant grace. To serve each other in love and humility. To serve your world with wisdom and energy. Forgive us when we stumble over pride, when our words and actions are not guided by love. Turn our hearts when we act in folly. Restore our energy when it is gone. Sometimes, many times, O God, our efforts fail. But your abundant grace is strong and eternal, *we thank you for your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.* Joanna Harader

IN CHRIST ALONE (by Stuart Townend)

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; this Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied - for every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious Day up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me, for I am His and He is mine - bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand; till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand! (2001 Kingsway Music)

YOU ARE MY KING (Amazing Love) (by Billy James Foote)

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken. I'm accepted; You were condemned. I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

Chorus: Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true; it's my joy to honor You. In all I do I honor You.

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken. I'm accepted; You were condemned. I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again. *Chorus*

You are my King, You are my King. Jesus, You are my King. Jesus, You are my King.

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken. I'm accepted; You were condemned. I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again. *Chorus* (1997 EMI Christian Music Publishing)

BRINGING OUR NEEDS TO GOD

PRAYER RESPONSE 393 SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD (by Daniel Iverson)

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. (1963 BMW Songs, Inc.)

WORSHIP IN GIVING: Offering

SHARING THE WORD Scripture: Psalm 90:1-12; Ephesians 5:15-20

Sermon: It's About Time

Pastor Richard Nichols

A COVENANT PRAYER IN THE WESLEYAN TRADITION 607

RESPONSE: Invitation to Holy Communion - The congregation is invited to receive Communion at the Communion rails. Come forward when you are ready, and receive the Communion elements with joy. These symbols represent the Body and Blood of Jesus offered for our forgiveness and new life. The invitation to receive comes from Jesus himself, and is not based on membership in this or any other Church. While you are waiting for your place at the Communion rail, take advantage of this quiet time to meditate, and offer your personal prayer and praise to God. (If you are unable to come forward, let an usher know, and the Elements will be brought to you). **For those members with grape juice allergies, whole grapes are available. There will also be gluten-free wafers available. Both are located on the end of the communion rails at the center aisle.**

CLOSING HYMN 140 GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Chorus: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is thy Faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and spring-time and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Chorus*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine with ten thousand beside! *Chorus* (1923, renewed 1951 Hope Pub. Co)

GOING FORTH: The Benediction

A NOTE TO PARENTS: Child care is available in Room E101 for children up to age four. We love children and little ones are welcome in our worship service. On those days when your child is fussy, the parlor located behind the sanctuary provides an excellent place to care for your children and still participate in the worship service. There is a powder room right outside the parlor that can be used for changing diapers.

USHERS: John Clawges, Kathy Clawges, Han Rovins, Robin Stepp, David Stepp

ACOLYTE: Emily Hagmaier **ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Worship: 379

PLEASE LET US KNOW... If you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, let the church office know so that we can help in their healing process through our prayers, visits, food preparation, etc. Thank you!

THE CHANCEL BOUQUET HAS BEEN GIVEN BY: Ed & Becky White, to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones. **ALSO,** the poinsettias on the altar are in honor of the marriage of Maria Thomas & Skip Davis, which was held here on Dec. 31, 2014.
PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO: The family of Rev. Ed Napier on his death last week, and to Scott & Nicole McGough and family on the death of Scott's father Jack McGough.
PRAYER CONCERNS: Charles Simon (brother of Bob Simon), Ann Kenny (friend of Beth Fisher), Shirley VanDuser, Harris Fister, James Vine (father of Keith Vine), Sueanne Krout (daughter of Sarah Buchanan), Jesse Atkins (Dana Young's uncle), Pat Mengel, Paul Haynes, Nancy Bogden (friend of Bruce Van Dyke), Erin Wasnewski (friend of Gail Van Dyke), Sumiko Young (Moorestown Girl Scout Leader), The Davies Family, Tracy Cramer (friend of Keith Vine's niece), Dan Hill (cousin of Denise Gatton), Carolyn Emme, Kim Moore (sister of Jackie Murray), Matt Durand (friend of Greg Bryan), Colin Saari (friend of Dick Loring), Rose Marie Sturtevant (mother of Karen Pry), Mary Berner, Louis Purul (father of Pre-School mom), Charlie Delaney, Bill Griffith (neighbor of Veronica Erb), Rick Loring (son of Dick Loring), Laura Gould (sister of Ed Youse), Tyler Davis (grandson of Doris and Alan Coshland), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), Marion Keefe (friend of Ada Campanile), Janet Durand, Bruce Slocum, Esther Wesley, Bertha Bendel, William Cannady (father of Dawn Fletcher), Robert Wilkinson, Karen Pearce (mother of William Pearce), Bob Scheyhing, Susan Moody (daughter-in-law of Joan Moody), Nitin Shah & Malvika Cherukara (friends of Barun McArthur).

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