

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 Saturday, 10:00 a.m. 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)

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

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 Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

YOUTH PRAISE BAND – Meets Sunday afternoons from 4-5 p.m. in the Sanctuary

GOSPEL CHOIR – Meets twice a week: Sunday at 12:15 p.m. in the Choir Room & Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

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 6:00-6:50 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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

AUGUST 2, 2015

HOLY COMMUNION

9:30 A.M. Service

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.

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Are you awake? Are you alert?

People: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Leader: Are you watching the signs? Are you interpreting what is happening today?

People: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Leader: Do you see opportunities for ministry? Do you see the poor, the homeless, the hungry, the needy?

People: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

Leader: Come, let us worship and let us work in the reign of God.

People: Christ has extended the invitation: let us work together in the reign of God on earth. Rev. Mindi

WORSHIP IN SONG: WE PRAISE YOU, JESUS (by Kenny & Lindsey Drain) (1991 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

We praise You, Jesus, we praise You, Lord; we sing songs of freedom, we dance with joy.

You've taken our weeping and turned it into dancing; taken our heaviness away, far away.

REDEEMED, HOW I LOVE TO PROCLAIM IT (by Fanny Crosby)

Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it! Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;

Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child, and forever, I am.

Redeemed, redeemed, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; Redeemed, redeemed, His child, and forever, I am.

Redeemed and so happy in Jesus, No language my rapture can tell;

I know that the light of His presence with me doth continually dwell.

I think of my blessed Redeemer, I think of Him all the day long;

I sing, for I cannot be silent; His love is the theme of my song.

I know I shall see in His beauty the King in whose way I delight;

who lovingly guardeth my footsteps, and giveth me songs in the night. (Public Domain)

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE (by Graham Kendrick)

Lord, the light of Your love is shining in the midst of the darkness shining;

Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, set us free by the truth You now bring us, Shine on me, shine on me.

Chorus: Shine, Jesus, shine fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence, From the shadows into Your radiance;

By the blood I may enter Your brightness, search me, try me, consume all my darkness,

Shine on me, shine on me. (chorus)

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness, So our faces display Your likeness; Ever changing from glory to glory,

Mirror'd here may our lives tell Your story, Shine on me, shine on me. (chorus)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Loving God, as we prepare to share in the life of Christ at the holy table, grant us the grace to share in his life in the world through faithful witness. Teach us how to be open with others about our faith in him, to speak the truth in love, humbly and without shame. Forgive us when we have kept the message of Jesus to ourselves. Teach us how to rely upon you, in the power of the Spirit, and not upon ourselves, to bring the harvest of the Kingdom. Let us seek no other reward than to know that we will receive what is promised to faithful witnesses, the reward of knowing you and being known by you in the communion of all the saints forever.

In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Adapted from David Beswick

HOW HE LOVES (David Crowder Band) (2005 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

And He is jealous for me, loves like a hurricane, I am a tree bending beneath the weight of His wind and mercy. And all of a sudden I am unaware of these afflictions, eclipsed by glory. And I realize just how beautiful you are, and how great Your affections are for me.

And oh, how He love us, oh. Oh, how He loves us, how He loves us all. (Repeat first verse)
Oh, how He loves, yeah, He loves us. Oh, how He loves us, oh, how He loves us. Oh, how He loves.

And we are His portion and He is our prize. Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes. If His grace is an ocean, we're all sinking.

And heaven meets earth like an unforeseen kiss and my heart turns violently inside of my chest. I don't have time to maintain these regrets when I think about the way that He loves us. Oh, how He loves us, oh. Oh, how He loves us, how He loves all. How He loves. Yeah, He loves us, oh, how He loves us. Oh, how he loves us, oh how He loves. (repeat)

WE ALL BOW DOWN (by Lenny LeBlanc)

Princes and paupers, sons and daughters kneel at the throne of grace. Losers and winners, saints and sinners one day will see His face.

Chorus: And we'll all bow down. Kings will surrender their crowns and worship Jesus. He is the love, unfailing love, He is the love of God.

Summer and winter, the mountains and the rivers whisper the Savior's name. Awesome and holy, a friend to the lonely, forever His love will reign. (chorus) (2002 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

BRINGING OUR NEEDS TO GOD

PRAYER RESPONSE 334 SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT (refrain)

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place (1962 Manna Music, Inc.)

WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning. Please fill out the Friendship Pad and pass it along to the person next to you and then pass back to the center aisle. Write any special prayer requests on the sheets provided in the pew racks and place in the offering plate.

SPECIAL MUSIC Testify to Love Victoria McGrath, Tricia Halligan

SHARING THE WORD Scripture: Matthew 22:34-40, Matthew 28:18-20
Sermon: The Outward-Focused Church Pastor Richard Nichols
Made for Mission

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 593 HERE I AM, LORD (by Dan Schutte)

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (refrain)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (refrain) (1981 Daniel L. Schutte and NALR)

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: Robyn Harvey, Bruce Harvey, Judi Angelow, Darlene Mocelo, Carlos Mocelo

ACOLYTE: Emily Hagmaier **ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Worship: 385

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: Marilyn Arbittier, to the glory of God and in memory of her parents, Kenneth & Marjorie Sponenbergh.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Ann Kenny (friend of Beth Fisher), Harris Fister, James Vine (father of Keith Vine), Sueanne Krout (daughter of Sarah Buchanan), Nancy Bogden & Mike Emmel (friends of Bruce Van Dyke), Tracy Cramer (friend of Keith Vine's niece), Dan Hill (cousin of Denise Gatton), Carolyn Emme, Kim Moore (sister of Jackie Murray), Colin Saari (friend of Dick Loring), Rose Marie Sturtevant (mother of Karen Pry), Charlie Delaney, Rick Loring (son of Dick Loring), Laura Gould (sister of Ed Youse), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), Bruce Slocum, Karen Pearce (mother of William Pearce), Susan Moody (daughter-in-law of Joan Moody), Nitin Shah & Malvika Cherukara (friends of Barun McArthur), Marion Stepp, Joe Van Osten (father of Cindy Suta), Jane Mertz, Mark McCoy (son of Bob McCoy), Joe Cavallo (neighbor of Doug Hamilton), Kathy Diehl, Matthew Colby (son of Walt & Lu Colby), Frank Hofmann (father of Carla McIlmail), Ayla Clark, Bob Kessler, Carolyn Soneen (friend of Jack Schweitzer), Eric Schweitzer (nephew of Jack & Dorothy Schweitzer), Mary Berner, Tom Lee, Barbara Lobe, Tom Bintliff, Jr. (friend of Doug Hamilton).

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