

## 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 welcome. Contact person: Bob Murray, 856-366-6137

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN: Miriam Circle, Barbara Dapper, Leader, 856-235-1765

MONDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 A.M. in the Heritage Room. Contact Person: Susan Swezey 856-220-1661

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY: 2pm in the Parlor. All welcome! Contact Person: Charlie Rudolph, 856-235-9206

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

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S SMALL GROUP: 7:30-9:00 A.M. in the Prayer Room. Contact Person: Greg Scott, 609-280-9539

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: 7:30-9 A.M. in the Parlor. Contact Person: Betsy Heinz, 856-304-4313

SATURDAY MORNING "QUICK PRAYER": 9:30 A.M. in the Prayer Room. Contact Person: Betsy Heinz 856-304-4313

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Contact the Church Office: 856-235-0450

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: Second Sunday of each month @ 2:30. Contact person: Linda Wanagas, 856-273-1298

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP: (MYF)

JR. HIGH MYF (6-8TH GRADE) Meets every Sunday evening: 5:30-6/Choir & 6-8:00 for worship/fellowship, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 856-866-0285

SR. HIGH MYF (9-12TH GRADE) Meets every Sunday evening: 5:30-6/Choir & 6-8:00 for worship/fellowship, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 856-866-0285

METHODIST CHILDREN'S FELLOWSHIP (MCF) (K-5<sup>TH</sup> Grades)

Meets every Thursday at 5:00 for dinner in Fellowship Hall, 5:30-6:30 for choir & fellowship Sept. – May

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 856-222-1120

COLLEGE AGE: Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 856-866-0285

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN): Contact Person: Allan Hanlon, 856-802-1100

KINGS ROAD REVIVAL – WORSHIP TEAM AND BAND - Meets Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Contact person: Norm Dorrell, Co-Music Leader, 609-410-4862

CHOIRS AND HANDBELLS – Meets September through May

ADULT CHOIR

Thursday 7:00-8:30 p.m.

YOUTH (7th -12th grade)

Sunday 5:30-6:00 p.m.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (3 yrs. - 1st grade) Chapel

Sunday 9:30-9:55 a.m.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (2nd - 5th grade) Choir Room

Sunday 9:30-9:55 a.m.

ADULT BELLS

Monday 7:00-8:00 p.m.

YOUTH BELLS (7<sup>th</sup> - 12 grade)

Monday 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Contact: Donna Banes, Co-Music Leader, 856-222-9369

### 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

PLEASANT VALLEY AND CAMDEN AVENUES

MOORESTOWN, NEW JERSEY

A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ

with a hurting world through words and actions

**DECEMBER 2, 2018**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**11:00 A.M. Service**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX  
HEARING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST FROM USHERS**

**PRELUDE**

Veni, Veni Emmanuel

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**WELCOME**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 211** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We enter this season of Advent, and our hearts echo the church's plea. Come, Lord Jesus.

**People: Come into these days too filled and hours too hurried and be our peace.**

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: Come into this troubled and hurting world and be our hope. Come, Lord Jesus.

**People: Come into this season of light and be our soul's true light. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Leader: Come into this time of celebration and be our joy. Come, Lord Jesus.

**People: Come into our lives and be life for us, now and forevermore.**

Leader: Come and be Emmanuel – God with us.

**People: God for us. Amen.**

**LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE**

**SONG FOR ADVENT**

Light the Advent Candle, Verse 1

(See insert)

**\*OPENING PRAYER** – Gracious God, Light of the World, you caused light to shine out of the darkness in the advent of Jesus Christ; you continually open to us the ways we are to prepare. We confess our unwillingness to see the light and to walk in your ways. We have not always opened our eyes to the needs of others, and our feet have wandered from the paths of justice and peace. We ask that the Spirit of Christ be born anew within us, that our hearts may be stirred to glorify the nativity with acts of compassion and service. Amen.

**CALL TO PRAYER** O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL (Verse 4)

O come, thou Root of Jesse's tree, an ensign of thy people be; before thee rulers silent fall; all peoples on thy mercy call. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**CHORAL AMEN**

**WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST**

We welcome all who are worshipping with us this morning. Please fill out the blue colored card, including any special prayer requests and place them in the offering plate.

**PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC** An Advent Acclamation  
Adult Choir

**\*DOXOLOGY 95**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION 706** Soon and Very Soon

**SCRIPTURE READING** Mark 13:3-8, 32-37 Margie Morgan

**MESSAGE** Advent: A Season of Contradictions Pastor Tom Korkuch

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**GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

In the United Methodist Church all Christians are welcome to receive Communion. The congregation is invited to receive Communion at the Communion rails. Come forward when you are ready, and receive bread from the pastors, then move to the communion rail for the cup. These symbols represent the Body and Blood of Jesus offered for our forgiveness and new life. The table is open to everyone, and is not based on membership in this or any other Church. *(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 on the end of the communion rails at the center aisle. There will also be gluten-free bread available.**

**HYMNS DURING COMMUNION**

- 196 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus verses 1 & 2
- 198 My Soul Gives Glory to My God verses 1 & 2
- 210 All Earth Is Waiting verses 1 & 2

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**\*CLOSING HYMN 202** People Look East

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**  
\*The People Stand

**PLEASE JOIN YOUR FRIENDS** and your First UMC family in Fellowship Hall every Sunday morning before this service. Come for coffee, tea, lemonade and continental breakfast from 10:30-11:00. Just follow the path outside Fellowship Hall or wind your way inside the Education Building, to get to the Sanctuary for the 11:00 service.

**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:** Jack Feeley, Jan Feeley, John Halligan, Peg Marcinek

**COMMUNION USHERS:** Paul Gager, Jack Schweitzer, John Daglian, Jerry Mengel

**GREETERS:** Steve & Melissa Smith **ACOLYTES:** Anna Youse, Carson Binegar

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Worship: 322 Sunday School: 67

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

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Carolyn Emme, Rick Loring (son of Dick Loring), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), Jane Mertz, Norman Adams (husband of Betty Adams), Ron Griffith, Sam Wang (cousin of Elite Law), Lynda Rodriguez (daughter of Bob Rodriguez), Robb Murray, Joe DeCesare (friend of Joyce Scheyhing), Mary Kate Canal (sister of Brian O'Donnell), Carolyn Kinnard, Deanne Czeiner, Ken Kunzman (friend of Dick Loring), Steve Murray (brother of Bob Murray), Matt Fasbinder (friend of Mary Raroah), Tyler Wilson and parents Mark & Karleen (relatives of Linda Wanagas), Raelee and Janet Shaw (relatives of Pattie Gritzan), Carol Murphy (friend of Dick Loring and Greg Bryan), Janet Brown (friend of Carol Taylor), MaryJane Harris (niece of Bob Rodriguez), Marlene Bell Taylor (daughter of Zorada), Sue Geissler (friend of Melissa O'Donnell), Judy Henningsen (friend of Doris and Alan Coshland), Nancy Bushey (cousin of David Stepp), Denise Logan (friend of David Stepp), Gordon Swezey, Ryan LaSalvia (friend of Greg & Shelly Kincaid), Anna Ranken, Bob Scheyhing, Jane Leonberg, Mike Panzano, Barbara Yarnall (Karen Murray's mother), Nancy Zak (sister of Mary Starn), John Carty, Barbara Dapper.

**The Staff of First United Methodist Church**

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