

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-5TH 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 (7th - 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 AVENUE

MOORESTOWN, NEW JERSEY

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

DECEMBER 30, 2018

8:30 A.M. Service

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

During these moments before worship we encourage you to greet those around you and to extend a warm and friendly welcome to those whom you may not know. When the music begins, please join in silent prayer and preparation to worship God.

PRELUDE

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

arr. Taylor

GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ is born!

People: Christ is born!

Leader: Because of this birth, life is full of promise for you and me.

Life is full of promise for our community.

People: We celebrate today the presence of God's promise in our midst.

Leader: The promise of a small child coming into a crowded, hurting world,
and growing to be a liberator.

**People: It's the promise of you and me, struggling and stumbling together,
growing and celebrating, reaching out to make a new presence in our world.**

*OPENING HYMN 220

Angels from the Realms of Glory

***OPENING PRAYER** – Out of the noise and the glitter of the world's Christmas, we have come away, O God, into this hour in your presence. Help us to discover here the true meaning and joy that lie beneath the surface of the holy day. Help us to see beyond the baby in the manger to the man Jesus became, to test our lives by teachings and example. Enable us to see beyond the human Jesus to your own incredible love reaching out to us through him, giving wisdom and power for the journeys of our lives. Then send us out to spread the word that you are born among us. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 249

There's a Song in the Air

***RESPONSIVE READING 861**

Psalm 148

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER RESPONSE BLESSED BE THE NAME OF THE LORD *(Don Moen)*

Blessed be the name of the Lord, He is worthy to be praised and adored; So we lift up holy hands in one accord, singing, "Blessed be the name, blessed be the name, blessed be the name of the Lord!" *(1986 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

WORSHIP IN GIVING TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:41-52

Elite Law

MESSAGE

Thinking Upward in the New Year

Pastor Tom Korkuch

***CLOSING HYMN 383**

This Is a Day of New Beginnings

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

*The People Stand

CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE in Room E101 for children up to age four.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: Worship: 390

Sunday School: 40

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 their 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 Raroha), 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, Barbara Yarnall (Karen Murray's mother), Nancy Zak (sister of Mary Starn), John Carty, Barbara Dapper, Joe Gentes (son-in-law of Jack & Jan Feeley).

The Staff of First United Methodist Church

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