

## 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

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

**DECEMBER 30, 2018**

**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.

**PRELUDE**

Rise Up And Praise Him

Baloche & Sadler

**WELCOME**

**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.**

**SONGS OF WORSHIP RISE UP AND PRAISE HIM** (by Paul Baloche, Gary Sadler)

Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; Let the people of God sing His praise all over the land. Ev'ryone in the valley, come, and lift your voice; all those on the mountaintop be glad and shout for joy. Rise up and praise Him, He deserves our love; rise up and praise Him, worship the Holy One. With all your heart, with all your soul, with all your might, rise up and praise Him. (©1996 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

**GLORIOUS DAY** (Stanfill, Ingram, Smith, Curran)

I was buried beneath my shame. Who could carry that kind of weight? It was my tomb 'till I met You. I was breathing but not alive. All my failures I tried to hide. It was my tomb 'till I met You.

*Chorus: You called my name and I ran out of that grave! Out of the darkness into Your glorious day! You called my name and I ran out of that grave! Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!*

Now Your mercy has saved my soul. Now Your freedom is all that I know. The old made new, Jesus when I met You. *Chorus.*

I needed rescue. My sin was heavy, but chains break at the weight of Your glory. I needed shelter. I was an orphan. Now You call me a citizen of Heaven. When I was broken, You were my healing; now Your love is the air that I'm breathing. I have a future. My eyes are open.

*Chorus: 'Cause when You called my Name! I ran out of that grave! Out of the darkness into Your glorious day! You called my name and I ran out of that grave! Out of the darkness into Your glorious day!*

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**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.

**SPIRIT SONG** (by John Wimber)

O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love, let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole. *Refrain: Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.*

O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy. Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. *Refrain (1979 Mercy Publishing)*

**LET US ADORE** (by Julius Chajes) (1952 Transcontinental Music Pub.)

Let us adore the ever living God and render praise unto Him who spread out the heavens and established the earth, and whose glory is revealed in the heavens above, and whose greatness is manifest throughout all the earth. He is our God. There is none else.

**BE STILL FOR THE PRESENCE** (by David Evans)

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here. Come, bow before Him now, with reverence and fear. In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around. He burns with holy fire, with splendour He is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of Light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place. He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace. No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him, Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place. (1986 Thankyou Music)

**BRINGING OUR NEEDS TO GOD**

**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)

**WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST** - We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning. Please fill out the yellow card, including any special prayer requests and place them in the offering plate.

**OFFERING**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

He Is Exalted

Twila Paris

**SHARING THE WORD**

Scripture:

Luke 2:41-52

Bob Murray

Message: Thinking Upward in the New Year

Pastor Tom Korkuch

**CLOSING SONG 10,000 REASONS (Bless the Lord)** by Jonas Myrin Matt Redman

*Chorus: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing Your song again. Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. *Chorus*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *Chorus*

And on that day, when my strength is failing, the end draws near, and my time has come; still, my soul will sing Your praise unending – ten thousand years, and then forever more! *Chorus 2x (2011 SHOUT! Publishing)*

**GOING FORTH**

**PLEASE JOIN YOUR FRIENDS** and your 1<sup>st</sup> UMC family in Fellowship Hall every Sunday morning following this service. Come for coffee, tea, lemonade and continental breakfast from 10:30-11:00. Just follow the path outside the Sanctuary building or wind your way inside the Education Building, up to Fellowship Hall.

**A NOTE TO PARENTS:** Child care is available in Room E101 for children up to age four.

**ACOLYTE:** Tyler Hare

**USHERS:** Robyn Harvey, Bruce Harvey, Stephen Smith, Melissa Smith, Carlos Moco

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Worship: 390 Sunday School: 40

**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!

**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).

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