

AN ORDER OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

January 15, 2023 - Human Relations Sunday

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A Church of Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors
that seeks to make Disciples of Jesus Christ.

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GATHERING

Gathering Time & Prelude Music

Welcome

HYMN*

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

UMH 140

THE APOSTLES' CREED*

I commit myself to God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I set my heart upon Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I place my trust in the Holy Spirit,
the holy church universal,
the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSE*

Gloria Patri

UMH 71

Opening Prayer

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Reading

Micah 6:6-8 (NRSV)

'With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? 7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?' 8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God

HYMN

You Are My All in All

WS 3040

Children's Message

Choral Anthem

Climbin' Up the Mountain

Pastoral Prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HYMN* *Ye Servants of God* UMH 181

Presenting Our Tithes and Offerings
(If you are a guest, please feel no obligation to give.)

RESPONSE* *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SERMON *What Do We Do?* Rev Mik King

GOING FORTH

HYMN* *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot* UMH 703

Announcements

Benediction*

Postlude*

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please note: prayer concerns will be listed in the bulletin for four (4) weeks unless the church office is notified otherwise.

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: Family of Marvin Ledy^[1/8], Family of Darlene Sexton ^[1/1] Karen Crump ^[12/11], Diedre Dunham ^[4/3], Pam Jackson^[1/8], Connie Stewart ^[1/8]

COMMUNITY PRAYER CONCERNS:

Jace Webb (Great grandson of Betty Eckman-2 mo old) ^[1/15]

Steve Schmitt (son-in-law of Virginia & Gary Donley)^[1/8]

Family of Nancy Alt ^[1/8]

DJ Good (Cousin of Rev Mik) ^[1/1]

Family of Melvin Stout (brother of Jim & Diana Stout) ^[1/1]

Dakota Jones (Nephew of Rick Jones)^[12/25]

Larry Kopka (Friend of Leslie Hoffman)^[12/4]

Valerie Greenough (Daughter-in-law of Sharolyn Greenough) ^[11/20]

Denise Jackson (daughter-in-law of Pam Jackson) ^[11/20]

Lucky Seyler (Rita Everson's brother) ^[11/6]

Darrell Holmes & family (friends of Leslie Hoffman) ^[11/6]

Ranae Veal (Friend of Diane Wyatt) ^[10/23]

Carolyn Thomas (friend of Sue Murry) ^[10/16],

THOSE WORSHIPING FROM HOME: Gil Green, Gary Donley, Evelyn York, Steve Crump, Margie Miller, Ray Power, Marla Rutz, Donna Smith, Donna Richards, Dorothy Veach, Melvin Leckron, Dorothy Snider, Linda Chase, Lester and Marie Thornton, Carl Hansen, Myckie Spencer, Lois Ledy.

THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES: Greg Austin, Tim Barns, Kayla Berven, Billy Brockman, Matthew Brinker, Ross Covington, Jessica and James Green, Gavin Hanna, Cameron Hoskins, David Hoskins, Ryan Kriesch, Colby Miller, Samuel Miller, Jackson Randles, and James L. Wise, Jr., Evan Middleton

THOSE IN AUTHORITY: The President, the Governor, the Mayor, County Commissioners, the County Attorney, and other elected officials and the judiciary (1 Timothy 2:1-4).

DISTRICT PRAYER CALENDAR: Today we pray for the Bennington UMC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES - WE are the church

Funeral Dinner- making salad or dessert or helping-contact Cecilia
Card Ministry - making cards - instruction avail- contact Velda Becker
Cookies and Coffee Time - Volunteer on a Sunday- sign up sheet
Sound for Sunday Worship - both services-training available- contact Clark
Slides for Sunday Worship - 8:15 a.m. - training available- contact Clark
Streaming for Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.-training available- contact Clark
Prayer Vigil - praying for an hour on Thursdays- contact Rev Mik
Liturgist - Sunday Worship - both services-instruction available contact Clark
Gospeltality Greeters - both services - contact Linda Rist
More opportunities are available.

T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

We have a few t-shirts still available for sale. Contact the church office if you would like to buy one. \$12.00. Sizes available: 4-XL, 1-Large, 2-Medium.

WE'RE ON THE RADIO AND STREAMING ONLINE

If you can't make it to church, but would like to listen to one of our services live, simply tune into KABI 1560 AM at 10:30 a.m. You can also stream the worship service at abilenefirstumc.org.

CARD MINISTRY

Have you ever received a greeting card from our church? The card committee continues to work to provide one-of-a-kind paper crafted gifts for the church card ministry. The team would welcome anyone interested into this ministry. They meet casually on Thursday mornings in Room 208. Come and go as you are able. No experience needed! Come for fellowship and we will have a job you can do to help. Consider dropping in whenever you can. We try to be there most Thursdays from 9 to 12.

NEW COMMITTEES

January 1, 2023 starts the new calendar for committees. Watch for e-mail reminders for meetings for the committee you agreed to serve on. Thank you!!

THANK YOU

On behalf of the staff here at the church, we would like to thank everyone who brought goodies, cards and gifts to the staff this Christmas Season! We appreciate all your love and support!

SIGN-UP

Don't forget to sign up for liturgist, sound, slides and coffee time after the service. Clip boards are across from the name tag table. Bell Choir needs more ringers too.

CARDS - Sympathy, Get Well or Thinking of You

Please sign the cards when we have them out for signatures. Even if you don't know the person or the family, we still want the person or family to know we care.

SHEPHARD'S RUN

The committee would like to thank everyone who made and brought goodies to share on Christmas Eve with the community! Everyone who received a plate was excited to get them. What a wonderful ministry from our church!!!

FUNERAL DINNER

Thank you so much for everyone who made a salad or dessert for Marvin Ledy's funeral lunch!! I appreciate all donations and help!

NOTES AND DOODLES

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

- 8:15 A.M. In-Person Worship Service
- 9:20 a.m. Small Groups & Sunday School Classes
- 10:30 a.m. In-Person Worship Service / KABI 1560 AM

MONDAY, JANUARY 16- OFFICE CLOSED MLK DAY

- 5:15 p.m. Memorial Committee - 200
- 6:15 p.m. Worship Design - 200

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17 - OFFICE HOURS 8-12 NOON

- 10:00 a.m. Parkinson's Group Exercises- Narthex

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18 - OFFICE HOURS 8-12 NOON

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Midday with Mik - Facebook
- 3:15 p.m. Power & Light
- 5:00 p.m. Happy Hour- Narthex
- 6:00 p.m. Communion in the Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group
- 6:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice
- 7:15 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19 - OFFICE HOURS 8-12 NOON

- 5:00 a.m. Prayer Vigil Begins
- 9:00 a.m. Card Ministry Group - 208
- 10:00 a.m. Parkinson's Group Exercises - Narthex

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

- 8:15 A.M. In-Person Worship Service
- 9:20 a.m. Small Groups & Sunday School Classes
- 10:30 a.m. In-Person Worship Service / KABI 1560 AM

MONDAY, JANUARY 23- OFFICE HOURS 8-12 NOON

- 5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting - 200
- 6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting - 200

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please note that **bold type** indicates congregational participation. An asterisk (*) indicates that you are invited to stand as you are able. "UMH" stands for *The United Methodist Hymnal* (blue book); "FWS" stands for *The Faith We Sing* (black book); and "WS" stands for *Worship and Song* (green book).

OUR MISSION AND VISION

Mission: to make disciples of Jesus Christ.

Vision: a church of Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors.

CLOSING CREDITS

Piano: Kristy Engle & Angie Hoerner

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