

AN ORDER OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

January 8, 2023 - Baptism of the Lord

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

We Three Kings

Bell Choir

Welcome

HYMN*

This is a Day of New Beginnings

UMH 383

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

Matthew 3:13-17 (NRSV)

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. 14 John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' 15 But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.' Then he consented. 16 And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. 17 And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

The Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God

HYMN

Baptized in Water

FWS 2248

Children's Message

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.**

PUTTING SHOES ON OUR FAITH

HYMN* *Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters* UMH 605

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 Hear?* Rev Mik King

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

Invitation to Holy Communion

Wesleyan Covenant Prayer On the screen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH-15,16

Remember Your Baptism

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

The body of Christ, given for you.

Amen.

The blood of Christ, given for you.

Amen.

GOING FORTH

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]
Family of Martha Zutavern ^[12/18], Karen Crump ^[12/11], Diedre Dunham ^[4/3], Pam Jackson^[1/8], Connie Stewart ^[1/8]

COMMUNITY PRAYER CONCERNS:

Those who are missing their loved ones this holiday season

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]

Family of James Kuntz ^[12/18]

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.

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 Beloit First UMC and their pastor Kimberly Shank

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.

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.

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

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 9 - OFFICE HOURS 8-12 NOON

5:15 p.m. Memorial Committee - 200
6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting - 200
6:00 p.m. Sand Springs 4-H Club

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10 - OFFICE HOURS 8-12 NOON

9:30 a.m. Cancer Support - 200
10:00 a.m. Parkinson's Group Exercises- Narthex
4:15 p.m. Outreach Committee - 200

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11 - 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 Chapel (just for today)
6:00 p.m. Youth Group
6:15 p.m. UN-Decorate the sanctuary - all are welcome to help
6:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice - In the Chapel

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12 - 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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13 - OFFICE HOURS 8-12

9:00 a.m. EOTT Quilter set up - Peatling

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. EOTT - Sewing for Service - Peatling

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

NOTES AND DOODLES

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: Anna Gugler & Angie Hoerner

Liturgists: Michael Heger and Kent Wyatt

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