

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: Doug Sell, Jr. 267-259-0621

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 Rm. E204. 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 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 Persons: Kathy Appleton, 856-234-0089, Suanne Bryan 856-824-0672

Mike Zolty 609-781-7131, Michael Harsche 856-778-3520, Pat Cornell 856-727-9476

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

JR. HIGH UMYF (7-8TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

SR. HIGH UMYF (9-12TH GRADE YOUTH MINISTRY) Meets every Sunday evening from 7-8:30, Sept. thru June

Contact Person: Kathy Clawges, 866-0285

C.H.U.M. (2-4th Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity, Sept. - May

Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

CHRISTIAN TRAILBLAZERS (5th-6th Grades) Meets every Thursday, 4:30 for choir & 5:15 for dinner, fellowship & activity

Sept. - May Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

YOUNG FOLLOWERS (K-1st Grade) Meets every Thursday at 4:30 in Fell. Hall for dinner and proceed to choir at 5:15

Sept. - May Contact Person: Karen Murray, 222-1120

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

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

PRAISE TEAM - MUSIC AND BAND - Meets Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Contact persons: Jay Appleton, 856-234-0089 and Norm Dorrell 609-410-4862

GOSPEL CHOIR - Meets Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

CHOIRS AND HANDBELLS - Meets September through May

ADULT CHOIR

Thursday 7:30-9:00 p.m.

YOUTH (7th -12th grade)

Thursday 6:30-7:15 p.m.

WESLEY (5th - 6th grade) Victoria McGrath

Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

JUNIOR (2nd - 4th grade)

Thursday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

PRIMARY (5 yrs. - 1st grade) Joyce Scheyhing

Thursday 5:15-5:45 p.m.

ADULT BELLS

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

YOUTH BELLS (7th - 12 grade)

Sunday 6:00-6:50 p.m.

Contact: Donna Banes, 856-222-9369 (Interim Music Ministry Team Coordinator)

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

HOLY COMMUNION

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

Your Presence Is Heaven

Praise Team

WELCOME

Karen Murray, Worship Leader

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Day by day, God leads us:

People: to the deep, deep pools of peace, to the green, lush lawns of grace.

Leader: Day by day, Jesus calls us:

People: to pour out ourselves in service, to anoint the stranger with hope.

Leader: Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

People: the community we could be, the family we are called to become.

Thom Shuman

SONGS OF WORSHIP: HERE I AM TO WORSHIP (by Tim Hughes)

Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.

So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God.

And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.

Humbly You came to the Earth You created, all for love's sake became poor.

So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God.

And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. (Repeat)

So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God.

And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me. (2000 Kingsway's Thankyou Music)

GRACE LIKE RAIN (by Todd Agnew, Chris Collins, Edwin Excell & John Newton)

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound; that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see so clearly.

Hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me; Hallelujah, all my stains are washed away they're washed away.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear; and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed.

Hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me; Hallelujah, all my stains are washed away they're washed away.

When we've been there ten thousand years; bright shining as the sun.

We've no less days to sing Your praise, than when we'd first begun.

Hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me; Hallelujah, all my stains are washed away they're washed away.

(repeat) (©2003 Ardent/Koala Music)

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.

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OPENING PRAYER – Loving God, Change and challenges can be difficult. We are often inclined to turn away from opportunities of service rather than pitch in to affect the needed changes that will promote healing and wholeness. Forgive us when we give lip service to you and then slip into inaction. Give us courage to be willing disciples. Help us to be people of promise and hope. In Jesus’ Name, we offer this prayer. **Amen.**

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)

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BRINGING OUR NEEDS TO GOD

PRAYER RESPONSE: MORE LOVE, MORE POWER (by Jude Del Hierro)

More love, more power, more of You in my life; More love, more power, more of You in my life.

And I will worship You with all of my heart, and I will worship You with all of my mind;

And I will worship You with all of my strength, You are my Lord, You are my Lord,

You are my Lord. *(1987 Mercy Publishing)*

WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST - We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning.

Please fill out the Friendship Pad and pass it along to the person next to you and then pass back to the center aisle.

Write any special prayer requests on the sheets provided in the pew racks and place in the offering plate.

SPECIAL MUSIC

SHARING THE WORD Scripture: Luke 9:37-43, Mark 10:42-45

Message: Designed for Service

Pastor Richard Nichols

RESPONSE: Invitation to Holy Communion - The congregation is invited to receive Communion at the Communion rails. Come forward when you are ready, and receive the Communion elements with joy. These symbols represent the Body and Blood of Jesus offered for our forgiveness and new life. The invitation to receive comes from Jesus himself, and is not based on membership in this or any other Church. While you are waiting for your place at the Communion rail, take advantage of this quiet time to meditate, and offer your personal prayer and praise to God. *(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. There will also be gluten-free wafers available. Both are located on the end of the communion rails at the center aisle.

CLOSING HYMN 432 JESU, JESU

(Refrain) Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave to them. (refrain)

Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, neighbors are near and far away. (refrain)

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;

all these are neighbors to us and you. (refrain)

Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves, this is the way we should live with you. (refrain)

Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet, this is the way we should live with you. (refrain)

(Hope Publishing Co.)

GOING FORTH: The Benediction

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

SCRIPTURE READER: Debbie O’Neill **ACOLYTE:** Michael Gural

USHERS: Lynn Andreacola, Tom Trasser, Lisa Siegert, Han Rovins, David Stepp

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: Worship: 331

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), Laura Gould (sister of Ed Youse), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), Karen Pearce (mother of William Pearce), Jane Mertz, Barbara Lobe, Tom Bintliff, Jr. (friend of Doug Hamilton), Norman Adams (husband of Betty Adams), Ron Griffith, Rebekah Patton (friend of Carol Taylor), Rev. Richard Thawley, Sam Wang (cousin of Elite Law), Lynda Rodriguez (daughter of Bob Rodriguez), Mary Schick (friend of Linda Wanagas), Doug Carty, Robb Murray, Ed Davis (friend of Alice Brenner), Joe DeCesare (friend of Joyce Scheyhing), Gary Graham (father of Brad Graham), Mike Pilenza (friend of Greg Bryan & Dick Loring), Mary Kate Canal (sister of Brian O’Donnell), Joanne Doto (friend of Gail Van Dyke), Carol LaFon, Carolyn Kinnard, Deanne Czeiner, Marie Newman (friend of Doug Hamilton), Lucy Townsend, Ken Kunzman (friend of Dick Loring), Jane Emely-Roach, Linda Albert, Steve Murray (brother of Bob Murray), Matt Fasbinder (friend of Mary Raroha), Mary Raroha, Tyler Wilson and parents Mark & Karleen (relatives of Linda Wanagas), Raelee and Janet Shaw (relatives of Pattie Gritzan).

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