

## 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 Persons: Kathy Appleton, 856-234-0089, Suanne Bryan 856-824-0672

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-1<sup>st</sup> 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

THE WORSHIP 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 (7<sup>th</sup> - 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**

**JANUARY 13, 2018**

**5:30 P.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.

**WELCOME**

Sue Harris, Worship Leader

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Welcome to all who have come in search of something;

**People: We have come to seek the living God.**

Leader: Happy are those who find a way and follow that path;

**People: We do not make this journey by ourselves.**

Leader: Blessed are those who give their lives over to their Creator.

**People: In faith, in trust, with hope, let us worship God.**

**SONGS OF WORSHIP INDESCRIBABLE** (by Laura Story)

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea, creations revealing Your majesty.

From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring, ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings.

All exclaiming: Indescribable, uncontainable; You place the stars in the sky, and You know them by name.

You are amazing, God; All powerful, untamable. Awestruck, we fall to our knees

as we humbly proclaim You are amazing, God.

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?

Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?

None can fathom. Indescribable, uncontainable; You place the stars in the sky, and You know them by name.

You are amazing, God; All powerful, untamable. Awestruck, we fall to our knees

as we humbly proclaim You are amazing, God. You are amazing, God. (sixsteps Music/Gleaning Publishing)

**TRADING MY SORROWS** (Darrell Evans)

I'm trading my sorrows. I'm trading my shame. I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

I'm trading my sickness. I'm trading my pain. I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord.

Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Amen

I am pressed but not crushed, persecuted not abandoned, struck down but not destroyed.

I am blessed beyond the curse, for His promise will endure, that His joy's gonna be my strength.

Though the sorrow may last for the night, His joy comes in the morning. (1988 Integrity's Hosanna!)

**OPENING PRAYER** - Our God, our refuge, our strength, our help; You are the bedrock upon which our lives are built, the mighty fortress which surrounds and protects. Though the earth should change, the mountains shake, the waters rise, we will not fear. Help us, O Lord, to live fearlessly amidst the storm. But in so doing, guide us as followers of the prince of peace, the servant king, away from a fortress mentality, where outsiders are enemies, toward a Kingdom where Love is the final word. May the doors of this church open wide this hour, that the music of the Kingdom may resound through this valley and into our hearts, our homes, our communities, our world. in the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

**IN AWE OF YOU** (by Scott Reed)

When I think of Your mercy, when I look upon Your face, when I sing of Your beauty, when I'm broken by Your grace, I stand amazed without words or token whispers. I humbly bow in silence at Your feet. I'm overwhelmed by Your mighty love that causes me to be completely changed. I'm in awe of You. In awe of You, the glory of Your presence. In awe of You, the power of Your name. In awe of You, the Holy Lamb that takes away all sin to make me new. I'm in awe of You. You make me new; I'm in awe of You. (2000 Dwell Ministries)

**IN YOUR PRESENCE, O GOD** (by Lynn DeShazo)

*Chorus: In Your presence, that's where I am strong, in Your presence, O Lord, my God; In Your presence, that's where I belong, seeking Your face, touching Your grace, in the cleft of the Rock in Your presence, O God.*

I want to go where the rivers cannot overflow me, where my feet are on a Rock; I want to hide where the blazing fire cannot burn me, in Your presence, O God. (chorus)

I want to hide where the flood of evil cannot reach me, where I'm covered by Your blood; I want to be where the schemes of darkness cannot touch me, in Your presence, O God. (chorus)  
Bridge: You are my firm foundation, I trust in You all day long; I am Your child and Your servant, and You are my strength and my song, You're my song. (Chorus) (1995 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

**BRINGING OUR NEEDS TO GOD**

**PRAYER RESPONSE: MORE PRECIOUS THAN SILVER** (by Lynn DeShazo)

Lord, You are more precious than silver. Lord, You are more costly than gold.  
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds and nothing I desire compares with You.  
(1982 Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

**WORSHIP IN GIVING:** Offering

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

**SHARING THE WORD** Scripture: Hebrews 11:1-8, Matthew 8:5-10

Message: Jump in the Deep End – Part One Pastor Richard Nichols  
A Leap of Faith

**CLOSING SONG FOREVER** (by Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves)

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King; His love endures forever.  
For He is good; He is above all things. His love endures forever. Sing praise. Sing praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm, His love endures forever.  
For the life that's been reborn, His love endures forever. Sing praise. Sing praise.

*Chorus: Forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong. Forever God is with us, forever, forever.*

From the rising to the setting sun His love endures forever. And by the grace of God we will carry on; His love endures forever. Sing praise. Sing praise. Sing praise. Sing Praise. (Chorus) (2000 Six Steps Music)

**BENEDICTION**

**CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE** in Room E101

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Worship: 279 Sunday School: 72

**SCRIPTURE READER:** Taylor Marcinek

**PLEASE LET US KNOW...**Due to current privacy regulations, churches are no longer notified if a member of their congregation is hospitalized. Therefore, 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!

**THE CHANCEL BOUQUET HAS BEEN GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF:** Harvey Bradford given by his wife, daughters Patti Bronecke, Susan Nichols and their families.  
**PRAYERS & SYMPATHY TO:** The Slocum Family on the death of Bruce Slocum  
**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Carolyn Emme, Rick Loring (son of Dick Loring), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), Jane Mertz, Barbara Lobe, Norman Adams (husband of Betty Adams), Ron Griffith, Sam Wang (cousin of Elite Law), Lynda Rodriguez (daughter of Bob Rodriguez), Mary Schick (friend of Linda Wanagas), Robb Murray, Joe DeCesare (friend of Joyce Scheyhing), Gary Graham (father of Brad Graham), 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), 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), Carol Murphy (friend of Dick Loring and Greg Bryan), Tom Bintliff (friend of Doug Hamilton), Steve Heller, Allan Estrin, Janet Brown (friend of Carol Taylor), MaryJane Harris (Niece of Bob Rodriguez), Marlene Bell Taylor (daughter of Zorada), Frank Berner, June Krainik.

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