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★ Items need to be submitted for the bulletin by Wednesday morning.

★ If you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital, we would like to know...call us at 453-7988.



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

**The people of The United Methodist Church™**



### **Welcome**

If you are new, don't panic. Sit back, relax and enjoy a cup of coffee. We're excited you're here! Worship is our gift to God. It's okay to sing loud, whisper, laugh, cry, dance, clap or bow and kneel. You are welcomed and loved. Whatever you're circumstances— single, single again, married, with or without children— and no matter where you've been or what you've done, you matter to God and to us.

***"Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."***

**Reverend Joy French**

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Faith United Methodist Church  
 January 15, 2017  
 The Order of Worship



# Prayer Requests

Announcements and Welcome. (Please sign the Connection Card)

♪ Prelude

✝ Call to Worship: (Congregation reads bold print)

Listen and wait! The Lord is on our side. The Lord hears our prayers!

**We trust in the steadfast love of the Lord. Great is God's faithfulness!**

God's mercy is sure and God's justice will prevail.

**We trust in the steadfast love of the Lord. Great is God's faithfulness!**

Do not give up and do not despair. Wait patiently for God, for God will answer us.

**We trust in the steadfast love of the Lord. Great is God's faithfulness!**

Hope in God, for God is good and God loves us with an everlasting love.

**We trust in the steadfast love of the Lord. Great is God's faithfulness!**

📖 Hymn: "This Is My Father's World " UMH 144

✝ Opening Prayer

Worry, fear, pain and loss cloud our vision and veil our sight, O Lord, causing us to miss the truth of your Word. By the power of your Spirit, lift our burdens and pierce us with your good news that we might experience the hope and freedom of your life in us. Amen.



**Please pray for:** Faith UMC, Jim Peadon, Suzanne and Ralph Collins, Ed McAuley, Shannon Davis, Angie Fuller, Marion Jr. Hatfield, Gayle Ghrist, Barb Tignor, Bonnie Reienbach, Eloise Zayac, Karen Curtin, Bob & Melanie Kirkwood, Pam Thomas, Terry England Family, Phil & Grandma Plummer, Janice Moore's healing, Jimmy Moore, Family of Bob Dudley, Lori Rivercomb, Don Miller, Cindy Morehead, Jordan Lang, Jared Lang, Bonita Klinehoffer, John & Kim Cain, Daniel Ghrist, Janice Moore family, Shellie Siefert, Sherry Brooks, Jim Porter, Diana Slifko, Kay Baker, Melissa Wood, Joesy Moore, the family of Ben Welker, Carole Sayre, Debbie Paul, Doug Adams, Alice Goynes, Norma Coyle, Jeannine Cady, Pam Thomas, Henrietta Hurst, Logan Wolford, Joyce Stimpert, Todd Sands, Erin Watts, the homeless, abused, sick, imprisoned, those who have not yet accepted Christ and those who only minimally follow the teachings of Christ.

**Medical Faith shut-ins:** Kathleen McCutcheon and Frances Johnson.

*Pray for your church, your pastor and your church leaders. Names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks unless we are otherwise notified. Please submit all prayer requests by detaching and put in offering plate.*

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# upcoming EVENTS



Sunday, January 15

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Sunday, January 22

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Tuesday, January 24

Newsletter Deadline: 12:00 PM

Sunday, January 29

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Thursday, February 2

Eventide Circle at Helen Purcell

Sunday, February 5

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Sunday, February 12

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

New Hope Circle Valentine Dinner 6:00 PM

📖 Call to Prayer "Cares Chorus"

✝ Pastoral Prayer—The Lord's Prayer

✉ Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

✝ The Doxology UMH 95

✝ Prayer of Dedication

What a gift you have given us in Jesus, gracious God. Rekindle our faith. Renew our spirits. Vanquish our fear and grant us courage, for where we go, Jesus has gone before. In gratitude therefore we dedicate these gifts and our lives to you. Amen.

📖 Hymn: "Where He Leads Me " UMH 338

## Fun in the Mud! Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 40:1-11 Pastor Joy French

📖 Hymn "Hymn of Promise" UMH 707

✝ Benediction (Congregation reads bold print)

Life is messy and people are messy and nothing happens in a straight line.

**We fall down again and again, scraping our elbows, skinning our knees and doing face-plants in the mud.**

But, in the midst of it all there is Christ -- Christ who lifts us from the mire, Christ who sets our feet on solid ground, Christ who walks with us every step of the way, even in and through the valley of the shadow of death. We are not alone. Go forth with the assurance that our creating, redeeming, sustaining God goes with you, this day and always. **Amen.**

## Children's Books



Recently at the meeting of the Eventide Circle it was brought to our attention how many children's lives are hampered by their inability to read fluently by the third grade. Some children's ability to read is hindered by lack of access—not having books in their homes.

We hope that you will join us in collecting new or gently used books to be distributed in our community.

Books may be brought to the church and be dropped off in the mission table area throughout the month of January.

## Book of Discipline

We will be placing an order for "The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church 2016" on Thursday, January 19. If anyone would like to purchase a copy, contact Amanda in the church office no later than Wednesday, January 18. It will be a hardback version and the cost is \$24 per copy.

## Newsletter

Have information you want in the newsletter? Drop a note in the collection plate, email us at [fumcza@gmail.com](mailto:fumcza@gmail.com), or call 740-453-7988. Remember the deadline for the February newsletter is January 24.

## January 15

### Ushers and Greeters:

Nonny Brackman, Beth Dougherty, Marsha Kelly, Janice Moore

### Liturgist:

Nick Howard

## January 22

### Ushers and Greeters:

Rob Mack, Monica Mack, Don Wolfe, Vicky Wolfe

### Liturgist:

Gail McGreevy

## January 29

### Ushers and Greeters:

Mark Crawmer, Thea Crawmer, Susie Dunlap, Vickie Finlay

### Liturgist:

Barb Wolfe

## Snow Emergencies

Anytime Muskingum County is under a snow emergency please contact the church office to be sure that all church related activities are still being held. We want everyone to stay safe and off of hazardous roads this winter.