

Those Who Serve

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Faith United Methodist Church

Flip the Switch—Week 1

January 15, 2023

GATHER

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSIC FOR GATHERING (PRELUDE)

THRESHOLD

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.
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and a light unto my path.
When I feel afraid,
think I've lost my way,
still you're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear
as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.

Let us pray:
Waking God,
we give you thanks for the chance
to start fresh every day.
Open our eyes to the light of possibilities,
even when the day ahead holds difficulties.
Be with us, near us, beside us.
Amen.

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and a light unto my path.

OPENING HYMN

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” UMH 133

OPENING TO GOD (REASSURANCE)

Feeling afraid, uncertain, down,
and depressed is no sin, my friends.

It doesn't mean you are separated from God.

May we lean on those who are right there
and ready to be a cradle of God's love for each of us.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PROCLAIM

“MORE LIGHT”

**More light, more truth
is breaking from Your Word.**

**More light, more truth,
Holy Spirit, help us hear what needs to be heard.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 60:1-6 (NRSVUE)

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SERMON

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 15

Worship 10:30am

Monday, January 16

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Tuesday, January 17

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Leadership Meeting 6:00PM

Wednesday, January 18

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Thursday, January 19

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Sunday, January 22

Worship 10:30AM

Monday, January 23

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Tuesday, January 24

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Leadership Meeting 6:00PM

Wednesday, January 25

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Thursday, January 26

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

Sunday, January 29

Worship 10:30am

Monday, January 30

Office Open..... 10:00am-2:00pm

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Baby Christian & Family	Karen Bay
Bernice Osborne	Karen Norman
Bev Wolford	Karen Wilson
Betty Miller	Kevin Bushong
Bradley Adams	Laura Peck
Brenda Shepherd	Marilyn Inman
David Inman	Marlene Farley
Dennis Cebulsky	Pastor Joy Wigal
Diana Bohn Family	Saundra Boyd
Doug Adams	Steve DeGarmo Family
Ed McAuley	Steve Inman
Ellen Kelton	Suzanne Collins
Fred Cubbison	Terry Pickens
Heidi	Thea & Mark Crawmer
Jane Thorne	Tim & Sherry Dickerson
Janice Moore	Veronica
Jill Shrock	Vicky Wolfe
Jim Tignor	Zola Duncan & Family
JoAnne Peadon	Medical Faith Shut-in:
Juanita Mohler	Kathleen McCutcheon

RESPOND

PRAYERS

Open unto me, light for my darkness,
light for my darkness, open unto me.
Open unto me, light for my darkness,
open unto me, O God.

Open unto me, strength for my weakness,
strength for my weakness, open unto me.
Open unto me, strength for my weakness,
open unto me, O God.

Open unto me, peace for my turmoil,
peace for my turmoil, open unto me.
Open unto me, peace for my turmoil,
open unto me, O God.

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.

“OPEN UNTO ME”

Open unto me, peace for my turmoil,
peace for my turmoil, open unto me.
Open unto me, peace for my turmoil,
open unto me, O God.

OFFERING | OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Good and generous God,
we bring our gifts to you this day
and dedicate them to your work.
We confess that we have too often missed
being the church you wanted and needed,
and we have placed the blame
on “not having enough” money, members,
talent, time, or power.
We needed to be reminded that we have
all that we need,
whatever our circumstances.
Renew us, loving God, and give us
a new day and another chance.
In Christ’s holy name, we pray. Amen.

GO FORTH

HYMN OF GOING FORTH

“Arise, Your Light is Come”

BENEDICTION

*Now go into the world,
feeling the wrap of love around your shoulders,
the embrace of well-being encompassing your heart,
the confidence that only requires
one foot in front of the other,
and the assurance that you are not alone.*

The world needs each of us
and waits patiently for our lights to shine,
illuminating just one small corner,
speaking even a little bit of hope.

We’re in it together,
along with the One who created us,
the One who redeems us,
the One who sustains us.

**So be it.
Amen.**

MUSIC FOR GOING OUT (POSTLUDE)