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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 8, 2017
 The Order of Worship



Prayer Requests

Announcements and Welcome. (Please sign the Connection Card)

♪ Prelude

✝ Call to Worship: (Congregation reads bold print)

Like the Magi of old, let us, too, come seeking the Lord.

We have come to inquire where we might find the Christ Child.

Follow the guiding light, and it will surely lead you.

What joy is ours, for we have found our Sovereign.

Let us humble ourselves and worship!

📖 Hymn: "The First Noel" UMH 245

✝ Opening Prayer

O Lord, our God, you have revealed yourself to us in the infant Jesus, who grew to be a man, shared your love, was crucified, and rose again on the third day. Through Jesus we know that you are always with us, and when we leave this time of worship, we pray that like the Magi of old we may go home to walk a different way -- the way of love and forgiveness. Amen.

📖 Call to Prayer "Spirit Song" UMH 347

✝ Pastoral Prayer—The Lord's Prayer



Please pray for: Faith UMC, 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, Dianna Slifko, Kay Baker, Melissa Wood, Joesy Moore, the family of Ben Welker, Carole Sayre, Debbie Paul, Doug Adams, Alice Goyne, 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.

upcoming EVENTS



Sunday, January 8

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
 Morning Worship: 10:30 AM
 Un-decorating/Lunch After Worship
 New Hope Circle: After Un-decorating

Tuesday, January 10

UMW Executive Meeting: 4:00 PM

Friday, January 13

NA Ladies Night: 5:00 PM

Sunday, January 15

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
 Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Tuesday, January 17

Finance Meeting: 5:30 PM
 Leadership Meeting: 6:30 PM

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

✉ Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

✝ The Doxology UMH 95

✝ Prayer of Dedication
 O God, like the Magi at the time of Jesus' birth, we bring our gifts to pay homage to our King, and to renew our vows of loyalty to Jesus Christ. Amen.

📖 Hymn: "We Three Kings" UMH 254

Being Different Gospel Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12 Pastor Joy French

📖 Hymn "Sing We Now of Christmas" UMH 237

✝ Benediction (Congregation reads bold print)
 Go forth now, continuing to seek God's light, reflecting it to all who walk in darkness.

Tell others of God's light in Christ, inviting them to search with you.

With your eyes of faith, search for God's work where others see failure; envision hope in places of despair.

As you walk through shadows, may they be brightened by God's presence.

As you search for God's guiding presence, may you find Christ anew.

And may the light of the Holy Spirit bathe you and those around you in God's love. **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.



Newsletter

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

January 8

Ushers and Greeters:

Cindy Howard, Nick Howard, Floyd Tolle, Pat Tolle

Liturgist:

Roberta Covert

January 15

Ushers and Greeters:

Nonnie 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



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.