## 8:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

We welcome you to our contemporary worship service this morning. The various elements of worship will appear on the screen at the front of the altar area.

> Our theme for this morning's service is: "It Is As You Choose"

Our Scripture Lesson today is: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 119:1-8 Matthew 5:21-37 PRAIZE TEAM THIS WEEK:

## Following worship, join us for breakfast in the Family Life Center.

## Welcome to First United Methodist Church!!

...You may wish to take your infants, toddlers or preschoolers into our nursery which is warm, nurturing and well-supervised. The nursery is located on the main floor to the right of the sanctuary's overflow. ...Please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. The offering is for attendees who consider First UMC their church home.

....Please keep cellular phones off during the service and please set vour beepers to non-audible notification.

...As United Methodists, we celebrate "open Communion"; everyone is always welcome at the Lord's Table.

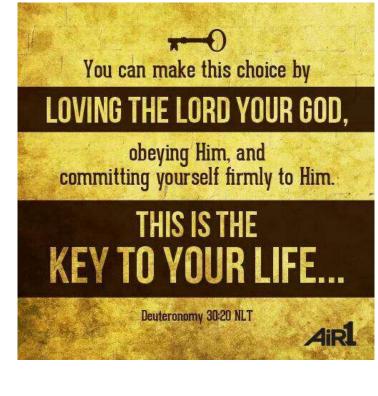
 $\ldots \mbox{Be}$  sure to sign the pew register, and "check" first-time visitor.

...The restroom is located behind the Sanctuary's overflow to the left.

...Children's Book Cart: Children's books are available in the overflow area for children to read during the service.

...Please do not bring coffee, tea, or soft drinks into the Sanctuary. ...The parking lot across the street is always available on Saturday

and Sunday, and after 5 PM Monday through Friday. Contact the church office, 304-636-0660, to park during rented time (M-F, 8:30 AM – 5 PM).



# "It Is As You Choose"



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Helping persons take their next steps toward God, and together, growing as disciples of Jesus Christ

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 12, 2017 – 11:00 AM The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany SCOUTING MINISTRIES SUNDAY



#### WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH! "THE DOWNTOWN CHURCH THAT FEELS LIKE HOME! WHERE ALL GOD'S CHILDREN COME TOGETHER AS FAMILY"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTING OF THE COLORS

Cub Scout Pack 88

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE CUB SCOUT PLEDGE CUB SCOUT LAW

PRELUDE "Festive Peal" (Thompson)

ConwayRingers

(Please pass the attendance book in your row.) (Newcomers, please be sure to list your address, phone number and email address.)

SERVICE OF LIGHT

CALL TO WORSHIP UMH No. 841 (Psalm 119:1-8)

HYMN OF PRAISE TFWS No. 2130 "The Summons"

GOOD NEWS FOR CHILDREN

Kary Kramer

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Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

The money today in the Children's Coin Jar will go to support the efforts of the Tyrand Ministries.

ANTHEM "When the Saints Go Marching In" (arr. Rutter) Chancel Choir Chris MacVean

OUR CHURCH IN PRAYER SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & PRAYERS CALL TO PRAYER PASTORAL PRAYER UNISON PRAYER UMH No. 895 "The Lord's Prayer"

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory – *"Winter,* from "The Four Seasons" (Vivaldi) ConwayRingers Doxology –UMH No. 94 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON – THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 119:1-8 Matthew 5:21-37

SERMON "It Is As You Choose" Rev. E. Dallas Forren

HYMN OF INVITATION TFWS No. 2129 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

RETIRING OF THE COLORS

Cub Scout Pack 88

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" (spiritual)

All  $1^{s_{-}5^{th}}$  graders are welcome to join the Children's Church in the Orange Room on the second floor during the 11:00 Worship Service.

PASTORAL BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD

#### THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS (as of February 5)

#### **RECOVERING AT HOME**

#### DAVIS MEDICAL CENTER - Irene Nelson

MILITARY - Joel DiStefano (Andy Montgomery's cousin), Lantz Elbon (Tim and Beth Conklin's son-in-law), Tyler Fretwell, Max Jeffries (Heidi Jeffries' son), Robert Jerow (Jerry Jerow's son), Ryan Murphy, Tristan Reneau, (Carolyn Shepherd's nephew), Patrick Spears, Patrick Thompson (Sue Mallow's Son), Joel Timmons (Seth and Michelle Pratt's son-in-law), Aaron Wetsch, Max White (Andy Montgomery's nephew), Sgt. Megan White (Kit Phillips' niece), Ann Urban KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS - Crosby Bender, Olive Blough, Jack Calain, Maxine Cooper, Gary Crawford, Mike Despar, Eugene Ferrell, Harmon Fields (Rhonda Elmer's uncle), Don Fitzwater, Patty Fletcher, Nellie Galford, Barbara Halperin (Rachel Montgomery's mother), Skylar Harman, Jeri Hatch,, Amelya Hensley, Janis Hensley, Ruth Hepler, Mike Herron, Halie House, Evonne Howell, Lisa Jones (Zona Simmons' daughter), Kendra Kalar, Lois Kessler, Dana Kirkpatrick, Sharon McQuain, Norma Kerr Metzger, Max Morgan, Alex Nelson, Bill Patterson, Joan Plant, Barbara Rosencrance, Nancy Rotruck (Jane Corley's sister), Tommy Scott (Bill Umbright's grandson), Jason Snyder, Margie Sutton, Miranda Trader, Betty Walden, Dick Walden, Norma Wanless (Jennifer Wanless'mother-in-law), Lewis Ware, Kendra Watts, (niece of Jane Corley), Margaret Winans, Jeremiah Myers COLONIAL PLACE - Rose Barnett, Hope Caplinger, Jo Criss, Millie Metheny, Mary Margaret Morrison, Katie Sayres, Norma Stalnaker CORTLAND ACRES - Alma Lord ERCC - Dixie Gutmann, Paul Mullins, Katie Pingley, Connie Pizzino **NELLA'S** - Mabel Phares

VALENTINE'S – Robert Fretwell

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented anonymously in honor of Angie Kisner upon her birthday.

**THE ORGAN ARRANGEMENT** is given by Dr. & Mrs. Douglas Shumway and family of Michigan, in memory of her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Harley Kesling.

#### FLOWER DISTRIBUTION

After a second review of the flower distribution issue the United Methodist Women regret, due to the factor of age, that they are unable to continue delivering the Altar Flowers, Organ Arrangement and the Chancel Area Arrangement to shut-ins and nursing homes. It is the group's suggestion that contributors retrieve their flowers after the 11 am service and use them at their discretion until other alternatives are considered.

# I will support my church with my presence and gifts" February 5, 2017 ATTENDANCE: 8:30 AM Worship 32 Sunday School 41 11 AM Worship 181 GIFTS: Weekly Collection \$11,526.39 <u>Our 2017 Budget is \$436,000.</u>



#### U.M. MEN'S ANNUAL PANCAKES & SAUSAGE - MARCH 11, 2017

All men are encouraged and invited to help! Contact one of the following shift leaders to volunteer: <u>Friday evening setup: 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM</u> Bob Jones, 304-636-9119/John Wilson, 304-636-6958 <u>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Shift: 6 AM – 11 AM</u> Jimmy Poyner, 304-636-7593/Jeff Trulik, 304-636-7223 <u>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift: 10 AM – 3:00 PM</u> Mike Hinchman, 304-636-7139/Charlie Friddle, 304-636-6377 <u>Boy Scouts</u>: Dan Wetsch, 304-636-8833

#### UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

Vacation Bible School Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 7pm in the Parlor. VBS will be July 23 – 27, 2017 and the theme is "Maker Fun Factory. More volunteers are needed!

Chris A. Wood, President of Davis and Elkins College, will be our guest speaker on Sunday, February 26, 2017 at the 11:00 Worship Service and the Davis and Elkins Concert Choir under the direction of Liz Marshall MacVean will perform.

U.M. Men are hosting a Congregational Dinner on Sunday, February 26, 2017 after the 11:00 Worship Service The Men will serve ham loaf, potatoes, green beans and biscuit. Come join in the fellowship with our guest speaker and President of Davis and Elkins College, Chris A. Wood and the Davis and Elkins Concert Choir.

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Thursday, 8:30 AM – 3 PM / Friday 8:30 AM – 12-noon PH: 304-636-0660 Pastor: Dallas Forren (304-636-0406 Home) Office Manager/Treasurer: Rhonda Elmer Director of Christian Education : Kary Kramer Financial Secretary: Danielle Taylor Music Director: Gale Poe Howell Pastor Emeritus: Basil Hensley Praize Team Director: Custodian: Angela Kisner Nursery Worker: Jennifer Wanless

#### COME, SHARE, REJOICE...

SUNDAY, February 12 (Psalm 119:1-8) Scout Ministries Sunday! 8:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES 11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH / Orange Room (1st-5th Graders) 1:00 PM SET UP FOR BLUE & GOLD DINNER / FLC **BLUE & GOLD DINNER / FLC** MONDAY, February 13 (Leviticus 19:1-2) 9:00 AM QUILTERS / 6:00 PM CUB SCOUTS / Basement 7:00 PM CONWAYRINGERS REHEARSAL / Handbell Room TUESDAY, February 14 (Leviticus 19:9-18) Happy Valentine's Day! 4:00 PM TIGERETTES' PRACTICE / FLC (4PM-6PM) 6:00 PM CUB SCOUTS (Reed) / 252 Room 6:00 PM CUB SCOUTS (Ward) Sunday School Room 7:00 PM TROOP 88 / Basement WEDNESDAY, February 15 (Psalm 119:33-40) 10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY / Parlor 12:00 PM SANDRA K. LEWIS' MEMORIAL SERVICE 7:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL / Choir Room THURSDAY, February 16 (1 Corinthians 3:10-11) 6:30 PM BACKPACK PROGRAM / FLC Stage FRIDAY, February 17 (1 Corinthians 3:16-23) BOY SCOUT TROOP 88 ELECTRONIC WEEKEND EVENT SATURDAY, February 18 (Matthew 5:38-48) BOY SCOUT TROOP 88 ELECTRONIC WEEKEND EVENT LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY, February 19 (Leviticus 19:1-2) BOY SCOUT TROOP 88 ELECTRONIC WEEKEND EVENT 8:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES 11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH / Orange Room (1st-5th Graders)



Confirmation Class will begin Sunday, March 5. The class is open to any youth grades 6-12 who has not completed a confirmation class or would like to join the church. This is a seven week commitment. Any youth interested please contact

Kary Kramer, Christian Education Director, at the church office, 304-636-0660.

# Save the Date! Saturday, February 25th



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