



NURSERY: Sundays | 9:15am - 11:45am | Newborn - 5yrs | Main Floor

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sundays | 9:15am
Ages 0-4: Main Floor | Grades K-5: Third Floor

NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY!



RIOT: Sundays | 9:15am - 10:15am | Grades 6-12 | Youth City

RALLY | Wednesdays | 5:55-7:07pm | Grades 6-12 | Youth City

Dec. 9 | 6:30pm | Neon Church @ Trinity UMC, Morristown

Dec. 14 | 5:55pm | Redneck Christmas Party

Dec. 16 | 4:30pm | Shadrack's Christmas Wonderland—Kodak

Rez 23 | Jan. 20-22, 2023 | Registration is now OPEN on the Church Center app. Adults - \$150, Students - \$100. Contact Chris for scholarships or to be a chaperone or driver. Registration deadline is Dec. 31.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES | Sundays (year around) 9:15am-10:15am

Please scan the QR code to explore which class is right for you!

CONTACT | Sunday School Coordinators
Mike & Sandy Pittman | mspitt@charter.net

HIGHCALLING - NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS | 9:15AM | ROOM 111

This class will focus on Bible-based lessons and discussions for anyone who is looking for a Sunday School to join. It will be led by Melia Brown and Carrie Moore. Please call or text them if you are interested in attending or have any questions.

Melia Brown 423-258-8377

Carrie Moore 423-585-7264

CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR MISSIONS—During the Advent Season we will receive a mission offering. For many years we have emphasized 2 projects: the Jubilee Project in Sneedville, TN and our sister congregation in Aseri, Estonia. Offering envelopes are available in the pew racks in the Sanctuary and on the table in the gym. Place your donation in the offering plate on Sunday morning or bring it to the church office. Checks should be made payable to "FUMC" and marked "Christmas Offering" and designate it. Our gifts make a difference in people's lives, so prayerfully consider the amount you will give.

Place Your Orders for Poinsettias!

We are taking orders for poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary December 18, for a cost of \$15 each. To order, fill out the form below and return to the church office with your payment *or drop it in the offering plate on Sunday morning*. Make checks out to "FUMC" and mark them "Poinsettias." Quantities are limited so order soon. Plants may be picked up after the 5:00pm Christmas Eve service. If you need further information, please call the church office at 581-2180. **Orders received by Dec. 11, will be listed in the bulletin on Dec. 18.**

Given by: _____

(check one) In Memory of In Honor of Gift

of Plants _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____



OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS & TALENT SHOW
TONIGHT! December 4 | 5pm | Gym

The church will provide Ham, Rolls & Beverages. Everyone brings a side dish or dessert to share. The meal will be followed by short program by our Kids Choir and Handbells and a talent show! Come join the fun!!

JOYFUL HEARTS | Candlelight Tour of Glenmore Mansion | December 5
For those with reservations, meet at the church at 4:30pm to ride the bus. The evening begins with dinner on your own at Gondolier in Jefferson City with the tour following.

LOVE FEAST | Sunday, Dec. 18 | 6:00pm | Sanctuary
A service of scripture readings, carols, choral music sung by our Revelation Youth Choir and handbell music by Carillonneures. For the second half of the night we light candles and process to the gym where we sit together in by the light of the Advent wreaths and enjoy cinnamon rolls and hot beverages. It is a service for all ages and it's a time when young and old alike can enjoy the spirit of the season.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH Chancel Choir with orchestra | Sunday, Dec. 18
Make plans to join us for this very special music Sunday during Traditional Worship services (8:15am & 10:30am).

BLUE CHRISTMAS | Monday, Dec. 19 | 6:00pm | Sanctuary
A service of hope, healing and support.



ADVENT STUDY Join Pastor Asa and Rev. Ed Cunningham for the four Wednesdays of Advent (Nov. 30-Dec. 21) as they discuss the promises of Immanuel in scripture. They meet in Room 207 at 10am each week. There is no book for this study, but please bring your Bible. Sign up in the church office.



COOKIES & GOODIES for our Civil Service Workers— From now until Christmas, we will be collecting cookies (homemade or store bought) to be delivered in December. Please bring your cookies to the church office. We will deliver them as they come in.

LUNCH FOR WITT SCHOOL TEACHERS—Please bring your donation or donate on Church Center. Lunches will be delivered to Witt on Dec. 9. Make checks out to First UMC. Please contact Meaghan Mosley if you would like to help deliver the lunch.

TOYS FOR TOTS This is a churchwide project sponsored by Joyful Hearts. There is a collection box on the main floor near the elevator. Our you may make a monetary donation in the church office. Please bring your donations/ toys to the church by **Dec. 6.**

HEADRICK STREET CHRISTMAS PROJECT We would like to help these families this Christmas season by donating kids bikes and grocery gift cards to the families. We have partnered with "Showing Love to Headrick Street" on several projects. Bikes can be left at the church near the elevator and gift cards can be given to Meaghan Mosley or left in the church office. Deadline for this is **Dec. 18th.**



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WELCOME TO

First United Methodist Church

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December 4, 2022

Making disciples as we gather, grow, and go.

WELCOME to First United Methodist Church (FUMC). We would love to have you fill out your name and any information you feel comfortable sharing on the attendance pad. In this Advent Season, we invite you to prepare your hearts for the Christmas Celebration. The Season proclaims the coming of Christ—whose birth we celebrate once again, who comes to us in word and spirit, and whose return in final victory we anticipate.



GATHER



GROW



GO

CONNECT WITH US



Scan our QR code to find FUMC on social apps, including the Church Center app, which connects you to our Small Groups, events, calendars, and more!

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Advent

Liturgical Color: Purple

December 4, 2022

8:15am & 10:30am

Please remember to silence cell phones.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS and devices for the hearing impaired are available for this morning's service. Please see an usher.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Martha Lynn Thompson

Angels We Have Heard on High
Carillonneurres

Choral Introit (10:30am) *People Look East* BESANÇON

* **Processional Hymn** UMH 196 HYFRYDOL

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Lighting the Advent (8:15am) Caroline & Arnold Bunch

(10:30am) Gaye Noe and Rebecca Skeen

All will sing together.



Peace came down from God on high, As the star shone in the sky;



Peace came down on Christ-mas morn in the form of a ba-by born.

Today we light the first and second candles of the Advent wreath. Each candle has a meaning. The first candle is HOPE, the second candle is PEACE.

The candles are lit.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. Colossians 3:15

Almighty God, you offer rest for our hearts, and peace for our souls. Give us grace to seek peace in our lives, peace in this community, and peace in the world. Through Jesus Christ, the prince of peace. Amen.

Repeat Chorus.

Reception of New Member (10:30am) Kevin Summers

The pastor will ask questions to Kevin. Then he will ask the congregation:

Brothers and sisters in Christ, will you covenant today with Kevin, whom we this day receive into membership into this congregation, to pray for him, live a life that is Christ like before him, and nurture him in his faith?

We promise to uphold our vows of membership through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness and to pray for and nurture Kevin in his Christian faith. Amen.

Congregational Celebrations & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Jason

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.

* **Hymn** UMH 210 TAULÉ

All Earth is Waiting
(Solo verses 1-3, congregation join on verse 4)

* **Prayer for Illumination**

(8:15am) Pam Purkey (10:30am) Kelle Strate

Gracious God, your vision of peace and wholeness comes to us in sweeping revelations and in tiny signs of hope. Kindle our heart, that we might be a hopeful people. Keep us from growing weary of waiting so that we do not miss the glory of your appearing. Even so, come quickly, O God. Amen.

* **Gospel Lesson** Matthew 1:18-25

The Word of God for the people of God. ***Thanks be to God.***

Anthem (10:30am) Georg Fredrick Handel

For Unto Us a Child is Born

Sermon *The Dad* Pastor Jason

Worship of God by Giving Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anne Laura Page

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks
Carillonneurres

* **Doxology** W ZLOBIE LEZY



Glo-ry be to God the Fath-er, Glo-ry be to Christ the Son, Glo-ry to the Ho-ly



Spir-it Glo-ry to the Three-in-One. Here we of-fer to you glad-ly all the



gifts that you im-part, as we glo-ry in your presence, giv-ing from a grate-ful heart.

* **Prayer of Dedication**

* **Hymn of Response** UMH 213 TRURO

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

* **Benediction**

* **Choral Benediction** (10:30am) BESANÇON

People Look East

* **Postlude** *Improvisation*

(* Please stand as you are able.)

THE ALTAR FLOWERS this morning are given to the glory of God by Phyllis, Melanie & Greg Hime in memory of Max Hime's birthday and Violet Snyder's birthday.

DECEMBER USHER TEAMS

8:15am Capt. Brody Robertson, Steve Brown, Wayne McCamey, Mark Stapleton

10:30am Capt. John Fox, Matt Drinnon, Carrie Hoffmeister, Rob Kelly, Michelle Masengill

ACOLYTE (10:30am) Sarah Altizer

CRUCIFER (10:30am) Samantha Altizer



Music Notes

Doxology
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Sermon Notes