

We are alive in Christ. We love God, we care for one another,
and we help people here and around the world.

Sunday, February 12, 2017
Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany
11:00 a.m.

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Prayer Focus for the Week

Heavenly Father, we do not seek praise from people, instead we seek approval from You.

Entrance

Prelude

*Entrance of the Light (Please rise as the acolytes bring the light into the sanctuary.)

Boy Scout Ceremony

Greeting

Introduction to Today's Service

*Song of Praise: 3154 Draw the Circle Wide

*Opening Prayer

Proclamation and Response

Scripture Lesson: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Children's Moment

Message: Winners and Losers

*Hymn of Response: 2226 Bind Us Together

A Time of Prayer

Thanksgiving

Ministry Opportunities

Offering of Our Gifts to God

Offertory: He Has Overcome the World

*Doxology: 94 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer

Sending Forth

*Hymn to Go Forth: 560 Help Us Accept Each Other

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

*Recessional (Please remain in place as the acolytes carry the light out into the world.)

*The sermon outline is available in the Narthex.
Today's acolytes are Briar Luegge and Ella Luegge.
Today's altar flowers are provided by Chuck and Vera Walker.*

Sunday School Lenten Study

Last year, the entire Sunday school department followed *The Way* Bible Study by Adam Hamilton during the Lenten season culminating on Easter Sunday. We have chosen to do another study together this year. We will be following the *24 Hours That Changed The World* Lenten study also written by Adam Hamilton.

In *24 Hours That Changed the World*, Adam Hamilton will help us experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death like never before. He retraces the day that changed human history in his usual straightforward yet easy, conversational style that speaks to both long-time Christians and those who are simply curious about the story of Christ's crucifixion.

In the DVD, Hamilton draws on insights from history, archaeology, geography, and the Bible and takes us to the Holy Land where he provides a deeper understanding of the most amazing day in history. We visit the sites where those earth-shaking events took place, and we walk where Jesus walked along the road that led to the pain and triumph of the cross.

This is one of the greatest opportunities to study together as your own family unit and with your church family. Don't miss out. The study begins March 5 at 9:50 a.m.

We Need a Wedding Coordinator

We are in need of one or more wedding coordinators. The basic responsibility of the wedding coordinator is to serve as the host to the wedding party and others who might need assistance. It means attending the wedding rehearsal and being present for up to four hours the day of the wedding. The pay is \$100 for each wedding. For more information, or to apply, see Pastor Buff.

Scrip Cents Order Dates

The next order dates for Scrip Cents are Wednesdays, February 15 and March 1, no later than 2:00 p.m.

Coming Deadlines

Newsletter

The deadline for the March issue of the *Visitor* is end-of-day Monday, February 20.

Church Council

The deadline for submissions for the Church Council is end of day Tuesday, February 21.

Welcome Center Helpers Needed

We are looking for volunteers (single or couple) to help cover the Welcome Center for 2017. You will welcome members and newcomers and answer any questions as they arrive for worship.

Please arrive by 10:30 and stay until just before the service begins. During June, July and August this time may change due to summer worship schedule.

This is a great way to get to know other church members and greet new people coming to our church.

If you would like to sign up for a month in 2017 or have any questions, please contact Karen Simpson at 269-978-8717.

Empty Spots on the Flower Chart

Everyone enjoys seeing beautiful flowers on the altar during Sunday morning services. They are especially meaningful when they are in honor of a person or event.

Anyone who has a special person or event they would like to celebrate or commemorate is invited to provide altar flowers for Sunday morning worship services on any given week. The flowers are yours to take home after the service.

You can celebrate anniversaries, birthdays, memorials, accomplishments, etc. If you don't have a special event or person to celebrate, you are still welcome to provide flowers.

The flower chart hangs on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Simply pick a Sunday, sign your name and list the event you are honoring.



February 5 attendance: 9:00 a.m. = 32

11:00 a.m. = 111

This Week

Sunday, February 12

- 8:00 a.m. *Cub Scout Pancake Breakfast, FLC*
- 9:00 a.m. Celebration & Praise, Sanctuary
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. PIT CREW, Room 118
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

Monday, February 13

- 6:30 p.m. Family Volleyball in the FLC
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop, Taylor Room
- 7:00 p.m. *Worship Planning Team meeting, Library*

Tuesday, February 14

- 10:00 a.m. *Staff meeting in the Library*
- 6:00 p.m. Sew What Now God? in the Taylor Room
- 6:30 p.m. *Scout Religious Emblem Program, Rm 219*
- 6:30 p.m. *Scout Committee meeting, Room 125*

Wednesday, February 15

- 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Winners in the Taylor Room
Scrip Cents orders are due by 2:00 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. The Shed (MS Outreach), Room 107
- 5:00 p.m. Helix (MS Youth), Room 107
- 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the Sanctuary
- 6:30 p.m. Pickleball in the FLC
- 7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the Sanctuary

Thursday, February 16

- 9:30 a.m. *Susanna Wesley Circle, Taylor Room*
- 6:00 p.m. RAW (HS Youth)
- 6:30 p.m. Disciple Bible Study in Room 125

Friday, February 17

- 10:00 a.m. Knit & Stitch 2gether in Room 219

Saturday, February 18

- 7:00 a.m. *Loaves & Fishes, FLC*

Monday through Friday

- 9:00 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Heart & Hands Preschool

Coming Events

Monday, February 20

- 7:00 p.m. *Finance Committee meeting in the Library*
Submissions for the March newsletter are due

Tuesday, February 21

- 6:30 p.m. *Scout Den meeting*
- 6:30 p.m. *Personnel Committee meeting in the Library*
Submissions for Church Council are due

Friday, February 24

- 6:00 p.m. *Scout Pack in the FLC*

Saturday, February 25

- 9:00 a.m. *Confirmation class in the Taylor Room*
- 7:00 p.m. *Connections Class Euchre/Game Night, FLC*

Mission Moment—Plus 10 Families

- February 12: Marshall Linebaugh
- February 19: Beth Griner and Dee Morton
- February 26: Joe and Betty Gruber

For Cheer and Hello

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| Liz Anderson | Iris McGahan |
| Mary Evelyn Bell | Beverly Nimmo |
| Carol Berkey | Robert & Carmen Parsons |
| David Bretz | Char Rice |
| Virginia Caswell | Marv & Kitty Starbuck |
| Alice Dibble | Al Thomas |
| Barb Griner | Mina Willett |
| Pat McClelland | |

For Hope and Healing

- Marilyn Butcher
- Chris Carpenter
- Terry Coburn (Joe and Betty Gruber's friend)
- Pastor Buff and Lisa's friend
- Derek (Lynne Melvin's friend)
- Matt Franklin
- Family of Doris Grinder (Vicksburg resident)
- Joe Hayes
- Mari Hiemstra (Therisa's daughter)
- Larry and LaVon Rolfe
- Family of Stan Stanuweiks
- Jerry Swift
- Family of Norma Woodcox (Vicksburg resident)

For Lost Loved Ones

- Rev. Dean Bailey (pastor here from 1966-1969)
- Nancy Blanchard
- Marilyn Durham
- Jack Kennedy (Lisa Coe's great-uncle)
- Andrea Loucks (Virginia Caswell's granddaughter)
- Lucille Miller
- Linda Smith (Lisa Coe's mother)
- Bob Springer (Karla Stubblefield's father)
- Barbara Wagner (John Wagner's mother)



This Week's Celebrations

Birthdays

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| 2/14 Lauren Burke | 2/17 Cande Vermeulen |
| Alexandria Oswald | 2/18 Jill Barton |

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| 2/16 Walter Gose | Anniversaries |
| 2/17 Jolene Cron | 2/14 James & Joan Smola |
| Audrey Linebaugh | 2/17 Chuck & Vera Walker |
| Katie Strohauser | 2/18 Larry & Sally Kohler |