

Sunday  
**January 7, 2018**  
10:30 a.m.

## Baptism of the Lord

Pastor Greg

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



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Plain print indicates worship leader.  
**Bold print indicates congregation.**  
*\*Indicates please stand as able.*

### Gather to Worship

#### Welcome

#### Ministry Opportunities

#### Call to Worship

Come and see.  
Come and dare.  
Come and believe.  
Come and trust.  
Come and listen.  
Come and wonder.  
Come and be transformed.  
Come and worship!

#### Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Spirit-sending God Who sees each one of us and loves us  
before we have even begun to fulfill our potential, we praise  
You for Who You are and Who You enable us to be.

**Lord God, forgive us when we deny Your image in  
ourselves or in others.**

Forgive us and make us more determined to look at one  
another with Your eyes, eyes that love and heal and forgive  
as we are loved and healed and forgiven.

**May we each remember our baptism this morning.**

May we know Your blessing resting on our lives this day and  
hear again Your voice calling us Your beloved children.

**And may we respond to Your invitation to join Your  
mission in the world. Amen!**

**\*Hymn: #64 Holy, Holy, Holy (verses 1, 4)**

**\*Scripture Lesson:** John 1:35-51

*Because this is the sacred story of our Lord Jesus Christ, please do Him the honor of standing as able for the reading of the Gospel.*

**Children's Time:** Jean Philport

**Choir Anthem:** Pie Jesu (Merciful Jesus) ~ solos by Laurie Nic and Lynne Melvin

**Sermon:** *Unbroken Words:* Word of Witness

**\*Hymn:** #170 O How I Love Jesus (verses 1, 3)

**Praying for Others and for Ourselves**

**Offering Our Gifts and Tithes**

Offertory: Listen to the Lord

**\*Doxology:** #94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**As we remember our baptism today, may we be rededicated as Your beloved children, knowing the love of God for us and sharing our gifts in every corner of the world. Amen.**

**Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant**


*Please turn to United Methodist Hymnal p. 50. If you have never been baptized, you are still invited to participate — but please see Pastor Greg after the service.*

**\*Hymn:** #398 Jesus Calls Us (verses 1, 3, 5)

**\*Blessing**

**\*Depart to Serve**

*Coming up next Sunday, January 14: Sermon Series: Unbroken Words — “Word of Abundance” John 2:1-11.*



**The General Rule of Discipleship**

To witness to Jesus Christ in the world, and to follow his teachings through acts of compassion, justice, worship and devotion under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.



**In Service to Our Country**

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**For Cheer and Hello**

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

## Prayer for Family and Friends

### Updates and Praises

Evvy Inman is home and doing well.

Huxley Quinn Schell (Den and Marlene Sherman's new great-granddaughter) was born Dec. 28.

Beth Smith's surgery went well, and she is getting better every day. Thank you for praying.

### New Requests This Week

Tom Aitken is recovering from surgery on Thursday.

Holli Inman will be going to Mayo Clinic.

Shirley Kohler (Larry's sister) is having problems in areas of the cancer she had previously and will have more tests.

### Previous Requests

Nick Barrett (Phyllis Barrett's brother-in-law) has cancer that is spreading in his body.

Nana Bradfield is in Hospice care.

Jack and Cynda Buckallew

Kelly Elnick (Holly Turner's friend) is battling stage 4 cancer. Please remember her husband and children as well.

Kay (Clark) Miller (friends of Elizabeth and Jack Page and Bob and Nancy Harper)

Mary Morgan (Laverne Swinehart's friend) is dealing with severe weight loss after a fall.

Denny Osterhouse (Jody Tuinier's stepdad) fell at the nursing home and broke his hip.

Diane Reece (Vera Walker's sister) is in Bronson Commons with several hairline fractures in her back.

Larry and LaVon Rolfe

Cara Swinehart is having complications after surgery.

Char Taylor and family (friends of Bob and Nancy Harper and Gordon and Bonnie Oswalt) as her husband, Dave, passed away

June (Brad and Barb Addis's sister-in-law) is in much pain following ankle/Achilles surgery.

A former student of Andrea Luegge is suffering from the effects of childhood onset of Huntington's disease.

Bless Kalamazoo's homeless and the disciples who care for them.

Prayers for love, joy, and hope for our church family.

### **Coming deadlines**

- ScripCents orders are due by 2:00 on Monday, January 15

## Calendar

### **Today**

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

### **Monday, January 8**

6:30 p.m. Family volleyball in the FLC

6:30 p.m. Scout troop meeting, Taylor Room

7:00 p.m. *Worship Committee meeting, Library*

### **Tuesday, January 9**

2:00 p.m. Sew What Now God, Taylor Room

6:30 p.m. *Scout Den meeting, FLC*

### **Wednesday, January 10**

10:30 a.m. Wednesday Winners in the Taylor Room

1:00 p.m. *Caring Ministries meeting, Library*

2:30 p.m. SHED (middle school outreach)

5:00 p.m. HELIX (middle school youth)

6:00 p.m. Handbell Choir practice in the Sanctuary

6:30 p.m. Pickleball in the FLC

6:30 p.m. *Scout meeting, Room 125*

7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. *PPRC meeting in the Library*

### **Thursday, January 11**

10:00 a.m. Play Gym, FLC

5:30 p.m. ROUTE 56 (5th and 6th grade)

5:30 p.m. *Preschool Board meeting in the Library*

6:00 p.m. Play Gym, FLC

6:30 p.m. RAW (high school youth)

6:30 p.m. Bible Study in the Library

6:30 p.m. *Scouts District Round Table, Taylor Rm*

### **Friday, January 12 - Pastor's Day Off**

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

### **Saturday, January 13**

9:00 a.m. *Scouts Pinewood Derby, FLC*

### **Coming Events**

#### **Sunday, January 14**

*Susanna Wesley Circle Sub Sandwich Sale orders will be taken*

12:00 p.m. *Church-wide chili cook-off for mission trip*

#### **Monday, January 15**

7:00 p.m. *Finance Committee, Lib*

#### **Tuesday, January 16**

10:00 a.m. *Staff meeting in the Library*

6:30 p.m. *Personnel committee meeting, Library*

6:30 p.m. *Scout Committee meeting, Room 125*



## This Week's Celebrations

### Birthdays

1/7 Liam Miller

Robert Parsons

1/9 Melissa Wood

1/10 Jim Thompson

1/12 Brock Agnone

Kevin Moore

1/13 Greg Berndt

Lizz Heikes



Thursday

# PLAY GYM

10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m.



Fun, inexpensive  
"play with me" group  
for 1- to 5-year-olds  
and their favorite adult.

Next session  
begins **Jan. 11.**  
Sign up by calling the office.

CHURCH-WIDE

# CHILI COOK-OFF

FOR THIS SUMMER'S  
MISSION TRIP

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 14**  
in the Family Life Center  
after Worship

You are invited to the new Bible study



Thursday Night  
Vids has begun.  
We're trying a video-  
based Bible study in  
the library at 6:30 on  
Thursday evenings

and going till ? This week is the second in a five-  
week series by Ray Vander Laan entitled, "The

Today's acolytes are  
Mac Read and Vaughan Read

Dec. 31 attendance:  
Worship 92

## Sub Sandwich Sale

by Susanna Wesley Circle

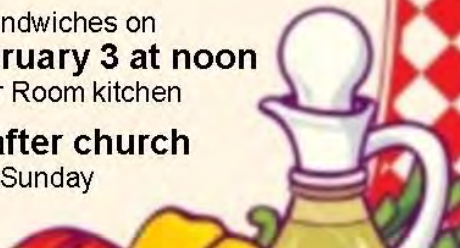
place your orders on  
**January 14 and 21**

6" sub bun with deli style sliced turkey, ham, salami  
and sliced Co-Jack cheese

**\$5<sup>00</sup>** each  
(pay when you order)

pick up sandwiches on  
**Saturday, February 3 at noon**  
in the Taylor Room kitchen

**or February 4 after church**  
Super Bowl Sunday



buy 12 subs  
get one  
**FREE!**