

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH...

Sunday, January 5, 2025

9:30am-10:15am Adult Sunday School
Library

10:30am-11:30am Worship Service
Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

5:00pm-6:00pm Community Café
Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

12:00pm-12:30pm Midweek Communion
Sanctuary

6:00pm-7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
Sanctuary

6:00pm-7:30pm Ignite Kid's Ministry
Fellowship Hall/Classroom

Wednesday, January 8, 2025 cont'd

6:00pm-8:00pm United Methodist Youth
Fellowship Hall/Youth Room

Thursday, January 9, 2025

8:30am-12:00pm Lion's Club Eye Exams
Classroom

6:00pm-8:00pm Girl Scout Meeting
Fellowship Hall

Friday, January 10, 2025

5:30pm-6:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous
Community Room

Sunday, January 12, 2025

9:30am-10:15am Adult Sunday School
Library

10:30am-11:30am Worship Service
Sanctuary

11:45am-1:15pm Bible Fellowship
Youth Room

Coffee Bar is provided by:
Gabi and Mike Tallent

Flowers: Communion Sunday



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First United Methodist Church

January 5, 2025

Epiphany Sunday

(Communion)



“Gifts Fit For A New King”

Matthew 2: 1-12

*Welcome! We pray that worship here at First United Methodist is a blessing for you, as your presence blesses us. The Church newsletter, welcoming brochures, devotionals, and refreshments are available in the gathering area. Children are **always welcome** in worship, and we embrace their presence, their joy, and the fun things they often do and say as we worship. However, if your child is actively upset we would invite you to take them into the gathering area to be calmed down. You are also welcome to take advantage of our nursery which is down the hall for children 6 months-3 years old. Lastly we have crayons and children's bulletins available that go with some of today's worship themes. Please fill out the clipboard at the end of your row to register your attendance and tell us a little more about you.*

“This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!”

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 5, 2025

10:30AM

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Whether this is your "usual" church home or the first time that you have entered our doors, we extend a warm welcome to you.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lee Anne Strickland

(At this time please register your in-person attendance on the clipboards placed on each pew or if you are watching on-line register at www.1umcm.com)

INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

"May the Peace of Christ be with you....and also with you."

TRINITY CHIMES

SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP

"Arise, Shine"

Screen

✠ WORDS OF INVITATION

L: Arise, shine; for your light has come.

P: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

L: Come, worship the Lord of glory.

P: Proclaim God's praise among the nations.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"We Three Kings"

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✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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✠ GLORIA PATRI

#70

PRAYERS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Rev. Chris Black

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Chris Black

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Chris Black

INVITATION TO OFFERING

(During this time we worship by the giving of our gifts and offerings for the work of the church in ministry and mission. For those who are watching online, you may mail your gifts to First United Methodist Church, PO Box 157, Madisonville, TN 37354, or www.tithing.1umcm.com for directions & other options)

The IGNITE Children's Ministry returns on January 8th!

We are excited that our IGNITE program for K-5th grade will be resuming on Wednesday evening, January 8th. Every Wednesday from 6:00-7:30pm, all children ages 5-12 are invited for a free meal, lesson, music, crafts, fun games and more! The fun begins with dinner in the fellowship hall at 6:00pm then activities move to our classrooms/library on the upper level of the church until 7:30pm. If you are interested in volunteering to help with food, teaching, crafts or other activities with our kids contact Carol or Jennifer McKenzie.

New Prayer Requests

- Judy and John Maiuri
- Cole Strickland and family
- Family of Joseph Certo (Conley)
- Mary and Tony Nelson
- Heather Summey (Harrell family)
- Zander Lizeski and family
- Bob and Gail Fink in the death of their son
- Williford/Jones family
- Patty's brother Doug Riddle
- Dennis Dailey (Tweed family)
- Matthew Slouka
- Betty Byrum Hicks and family
- The Barger family
- Kefauver family
- Charles (Charlie) Alexander (Hibbert)

Continuing Prayer Requests

- Kyle & family (Slouka)
- Kim (Larson's friend)
- Ken and Sarah Parris (Jones' friends)
- Dalton Duckett (Sequoyah student)
- Carol Rapping's sister Theresa
- Allan and Bev Potts (Dopkins' friends)
- Family of Emerson Lynch (Clifford)

- Conley family
- Susan Pulliam's missionary friend
- The Houvenagle family
- Scott and Julie Nelson
- Kat Ahart and Barbara Baiz
- Family and friends of Larry Davis
- Ken Hibbert and family (Wes' brother)
- Dossett family (Sharon Brown)
- Valerie Stratton (Nelson family)
- Ruby Levinson and family
- Allan and Julia Reedy and family
- Helga Bulger (Ruppel friend)
- Regina Moore (Penland friend)
- Jack and Janie Thomas (Hamilton)
- Gerald Picklesimer (Rapping)
- Michael Benlardy (Christopher)
- Robert Mitchell (Nelson friend)
- Tara Stewart's sister Laura and family
- Leamon family (Lois Green)
- Doug Warren and family
- Andy Chermely (Alliman family)
- Wayne and Lucille Peery
- Baby Thomas & family (Nelson)
- John Stratton (Dora's brother)
- Ray Sammons & family (Slouka)

The complete Prayer List is updated live at www.1umcm.com

Attendance

In-Person-70 On-line-2
Christmas Eve-168

Giving last Sunday

December 29th-\$2,839.00

Total Giving for December

\$19,680.05

Needed monthly

\$23,153.00

Into the Bible with Rev. Chris Black starts this month!

Beginning on Wednesday, January 8th at 7:00pm Rev. Chris Black is beginning a new Pastor's Bible Study Class that will help you approach the Bible with confidence. This class will meet in the fellowship hall and will be a home-style Bible Study for all ages! Pastor Chris will offer an in-depth exploration of the gospel of John, and then he will move into other areas of the scriptures. In the midst of our study the group will discuss some fundamental ways to engage with the Bible, so that you may apply it to your life today. It doesn't matter if you're new to the Christian faith or have studied the Bible for years, you are welcome to attend. If you have any questions about the upcoming class please email Pastor Chris at cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org

The Bible Fellowship invites you to join them for the next study

Light from Afar: An Advent Devotional from Around the World. Yes, we know that we've passed 2024 Advent, Christmas and New Year's Day, but this is a study of stories and reflections of authors from Brazil, Philippines, Ukraine, and South Africa as they share cultural and religious traditions in their home country. This provides a daily devotional for four weeks that includes recordings of songs from each country. We will enjoy lunch & fellowship together on Sundays: January 12th & 26th and February 2nd & 9th. Please let Marlee know if you would like a book or just come when you can to the Youth Room after church services.

Resurrection is this month!

***January 24th-26th, 2025
LeConte Center, Pigeon Forge, TN***

Resurrection is an awesome annual event of worship and spiritual growth for youth and youth mentors. Each year over 12,000 youth and volunteers come together in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee to celebrate the God of The Resurrection. Through inspirational words and music led by nationally-known speakers and musicians, young people encounter the Lord in new and deeper ways. Resurrection is hosted by the youth ministry of the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church. Most of the youth and adults who attend Resurrection come from the geographical areas of the Holston Conference. For many, Resurrection is an opportunity for conversion, decision, and revival. For others, it becomes a moment of realization that their faith needs to grow deeper and more serious. Let us be in prayer for each of our youth who will be on this formative retreat. For more information, contact Vanessa Barr at vbruemmer@gmail.com

Sunday School every week in our Library

Throughout each season of the church year we have various class opportunities for learning and growth as disciples of Jesus Christ. One great class is our weekly Sunday School group that meets in our Library at 9:30am. This class is taught by Reba Dopkins and Regina Warfel. This group enjoys powerful lessons from scripture, fun fellowship, and prayer and they would love for you to join them!

OFFERTORY

"Because You Came"

Choir

✠ DOXOLOGY

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SCRIPTURE

Matthew 2: 1-12

L: The Word of God, for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Gifts Fit For A New King"

Rev. Chris Black

WESLEYAN COVENANT PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CONFESSION

THE 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

✠ CLOSING HYMN

"Go, Tell It On The Mountain"

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✠ BENEDICTION

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Go, Tell It On The Mountain"

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✠ TRINITY CHIMES

POSTLUDE

**✠ Please stand as you are able.
Serve the Lord this week where you are able!**