

***COMMUNITY IN ACTION**

***RECESSIONAL HYMN**

“Hidden Christ, Alive for Ever”

Hid - den Christ, a - live for - ev - er,
 End - less or - bits by our plan - et
 Christ our hope, a - live a - mong us,
 Sa - vior, Ser - vant, Friend and Lord, year by year, un -
 spin - ning round its speed - ing star can - not trace cre -
 take our love, our work, our prayer. We will trust and
 seen, you of - fer life un - dy - ing, love out - poured.
 a - tion's se - cret: why we live, and whose we are.
 tell your pur - pose, brav - ing e - vil and de - spair;
 Day by day, you walk a - mong us,
 Je - sus, you a - lone un - cov - er
 in your name be - friend - ing, mend - ing,
 known and hon - ored, or con - cealed, free - ing, chid - ing,
 na - ture's rhy - thm, rea - son, rhyme, so your birth - day
 mak - ing peace and set - ting free, show - ing, giv - ing,
 lead - ing, guid - ing, till your glo - ry is re - vealed.
 is our cen - ter: hinge of his - to - ry and time.
 and ac - claim - ing signs of joy and ju - bi - lee.

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***SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE

“La Rejouissance”

G.F. Handel

Welcome

Today is Sunday, November 12, 2017

- 8:15 am Toddler Nursery Opens, room 105
- 8:30 & 10:50 am **Worship Service, the Sanctuary**
- 9:15 am Hospitality and Social Time, the Gathering Place
- 9:35 am **Faith Studies @First**
- 12:00 pm Youth Chili Cook-off, the Commons
- 12:00 pm Youth Emergency Services Meals, the Main Kitchen
- 4:00 pm Introduction to Mindfulness Meditation, the Parlor

Our Faith in Action



In November we will have a coat collection! Please bring new and slightly/gently used coats for all sizes to be given to the Binney Wirt neighborhood. Families will be fitted for the right coat, so we want to collect as many sizes as possible! Coats will be donated on Saturday, November 25. For more information, please see the back of the Announcing!

Mercy and Justice

Meals for Youth Emergency Services—Join Feeding Ministries the second Sunday of each month after 2nd service in the main kitchen. We will prepare casseroles for Y.E.S. Each night, 50-70 youth drop by their Harney Street location for something to eat. Contact Judy Prenzler, prenzlerjk@gmail.com, 402-889-8091, if you can assist or want more information.
Today! Sunday, November 12,, 12:00 pm, the Main Kitchen

Spiritual Practices @First

All are welcome to join in at any time—no cost involved~

- ◆ Taizé Worship—1st Saturday monthly, 5:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Yoga—Mondays, 9:30 am Thursdays, 6:15 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Gentle Aerobics—Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 am, room 204
- ◆ Tai Chi For Balance—Tuesdays, 3:30 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Meditation—Wednesdays, 12:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Spiritual Practices—Wednesdays, 5:00 pm, the Parlor
- ◆ Centering Prayer, Sundays, 9:35 am, 1st Sunday monthly, 4:00 pm, Mead Chapel
- ◆ Outdoor Labyrinth, Garden & Gazebo—24/7

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Faith Studies @First

Children & Youth

Children Faith Studies/Kids Zone – We offer fun, friendly, and up-beat faith learning for the youngest members of our faith community. We have classes year-round for children ages 3-year-old to 4th grade. Children will be dropped off and picked up in their individual classrooms.

- 3-year-old/Pre-K **Room 210**
- Kindergarten (5 & 6-year-olds) **Room 205 & 206**
- 1st and 2nd graders **Room 207**
- 3rd and 4th graders **Room 209**

Tween Scene – Moving from Elementary into Jr. High is an exciting time in the life of our children! Our tween scene Faith Studies group is for our 5th and 6th graders and meets every Sunday, and will be dropped off and picked up in their individual classroom on Sunday mornings

- Tween Scene (5th and 6th graders) **Room 208**

Youth Faith Studies – Our youth, in 7th through 12th grade, meet in Junior High and Senior High classes, and combine for service projects, fellowship events, and even special worship planning. Youth Faith Studies center around dynamic current events and motivating faith topics, and concentrate on faith formation, scripture literacy, interfaith dialogue, and all the stuff that matters.

- Junior High (7th and 8th graders) **Room 109**
- Senior High (9th - 12th graders) **Room 114**

Adult Classes—Sunday morning

Boomers +/- — We will continue the White Privilege Informational Study and invite all to join. **Room 112**

Centering Prayer — This prayer time begins with 10 minutes of fellowship, followed by a 20-minute sit in silence, closing with The Lord’s Prayer. All are welcome! **Mead Chapel**

Connections — These Gen-Xers meet to discuss the place of faith in addressing current social challenges. They will join the Boomers +/- group to discuss the White Privilege Informational Study. **Room 112**

Explorers — We will continue our discussion of *The Citizen’s Share* by Douglas L. Kruse. **Adult Education Library**

Faithlinks — This inter-generational class looks at a current issue through the lens of our Christian faith. **Room 111**

Sunday Afternoon & Weekday Opportunities:

- ◇ **Spiritual Practices**—All are welcome to explore a variety of ways to connect with the Holy and Journey in faith. **Wednesdays, 5:00 pm, the Parlor.**
- ◇ **ZUMBA**—Zumba is open to all skill levels. Join Pastor Cynthia move and groove! **Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:30 pm, the Commons.**
- ◇ **Earth Vigil**—A small group gathering for silent meditation for the earth. **Third Wednesday monthly, 6:30-7:00 pm, Mead Chapel.**
- ◇ **Worship in the Tradition of Taizé** — A 45-minute spiritual service. **First Saturday monthly, 5:00 pm, Mead Chapel.**

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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm
 Sunday, 8:30 am-12:00 pm; Closed Friday & Saturday



Sunday, November 12, 2017

10:50 am

First United Methodist Church



PRELUDE

"When Morning Glids the Sky"

Joseph Barnby

WELCOME

Personal listening devices and large-print hymnals & worship guides are available from the ushers. Please silence your phones. Children are always welcome in worship; childcare is also available in the Nursery, room 105.

*THE SOUND OF THE BELL

At the sound of the bell, please rise in body or spirit, breathe deeply, and face the center to see the Christ in one another.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Musical notation for "Holy, Holy, Holy" with lyrics: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y, ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"God of the Morning and of Night"

Musical notation for "God of the Morning and of Night" with lyrics: God of the morn - ing and of night, we Fresh hopes have wak - ened in the heart, fresh O Lord of light, your love a - lone can thank you for your gift of light; as force to do our dai - ly part; in make our hu - man hearts your own; be in the dawn the shad - ows fly, we peace - ful prayer our strength re - store, through - ev - er with us, Lord, that we your

Musical notation for "seem to find you now more nigh. out the day to serve you more. bless - ed face this day may see."

Words: Francis Turner Palgrave

*LIGHTING THE PEACE CANDLE

GATHERING OF CHILDREN

"Where Children Belong"

Black hymnal #2233

The children are invited to gather at the front of the church.

CHILDREN'S WORD

Dr. Cynthia Lindenmeyer

Today is a gift from God.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Musical notation for Children's Word with lyrics: This is the day, yes! This is the day, yes! This is the day that God has made!

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 25:1-13

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Oil Crisis"

Dr. Jane Florence

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"In the Quiet Curve of Evening"

Musical notation for Hymn of Response with lyrics: In the qui - et curve of eve - ning, in the In the rests be - tween the phras - es, in the In the mys - t'ry of the hun - gers, in the sink - ing of the days, in the silk - y void of cracks be - tween the stars, in the gaps be - tween the si - lence of my rooms, in the cloud of my un - dark - ness, you are there. In the lap - ses of my mean - ing, you are there. In the melt - ing down of know - ing, you are there. In the emp - ty cave of breath - ing, in the space be - tween my ways, in the end - ings, in the cool - ing of the sun, in the griev - ing, in the des - ert of my dreams, in the

Musical notation for "cra - ter carved by sad - ness, you are there. sol - stice of the win - ter, you are there. You are tun - nel of my sor - row, you are there. there, you are there, you are there."

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hymn of Prayer

"God Without and Within"

Musical notation for Prayers of the People with lyrics: God is pres - ent with us in and all a - round, breath of life in ev - 'ry heart, love that sings a new song.

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Prayers of Concern

This we pray.

Hymn of Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving

This we pray.

Hymn of Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer of Jesus

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

*SALAAM, SHALOM, PEACE be with you.

And also with you.

BECAUSE YOU GIVE

Chancel Choir

"Keep Your Lamps"

Andre Thomas

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning. The time is drawing nigh. Children, don't get weary til your work is done. Christian journey soon be over. The time is drawing nigh.

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up - lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!