

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Special Music How Beautiful Liz Morris, soloist

+ Luke 4:14-21

Message Good News

+ 8:45 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy, UMH 340 | 11:00 Jesus

Prayers of the People

Tithes and Offering

+ 8:45 In Christ There Is No East or West, UMH 548 | 11:00 Pass It On

+ Blessing

Postlude 11:00 Trading My Sorrows

Things to know about worship

First, we are glad you are here! We hope that your visit gives you a glimpse of God's love for you, and we want to make your time here as comfortable as we can. The screens will help you with words and directions and this bulletin will guide you through the service. Please quiet your phone or device but the use of Bible apps are encouraged. There are times when we will invite you to stand as you are able, and these are marked with a '+'. Large print bulletins and hymnals are available upon request. A handicap accessible restroom and wheelchair are available. Please let one of the ushers, greeters or pastor know if you need anything or have questions. Thank you for any financial contributions you may make during the offering time or online at stmatthiasumc.org. These are tax deductible and help us offer ministry to our community and world. Please be sure to use the tear-off sheet to check in, share prayer requests, register for activities and get more information. May God bless us all!

What If...

I believe that asking *What if?* is a worthwhile spiritual practice. It keeps our eyes and minds open to what God is doing in the world, and it keeps us grounded as well. If we will simply follow Jesus into the world with a willingness to love, God will do the transformative work in us and in others. It may not look the way we expect it to look, and it may not happen on our time frames. That's okay because it's not about us. It's about what God is doing in the world. What if all of Jesus' apprentices imagined a world made whole and holy by the love and grace of God?

—Rebecca Bruff, *Loving the World with God: Fourth Day Living*

Help others



Even when you know they can't help you back..❤️

Briefing and Conversation about Called General Conference

Tonight at 6:30 p.m., Pastor Bert will offer an open briefing about the special conference called by the bishops to address our denomination's response to human sexuality, particularly homosexuality. This international gathering of UM leaders is scheduled for February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, Missouri. Along with an introduction to the conference, there will be an opportunity to ask questions and have respectful conversation as well. All are welcome.

Business, Brown Bags and Bunco! United Methodist Women Meeting Wed., Feb. 6

Meeting at 10:00 a.m. will be business, brown bags and Bunco!! Come and bring your lunch and learn a fun game! Sing up on the front bulletin board; we need 12 to play! POC: Mary Ella Fuquay



Reading Buddies

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Got an hour each week for 6-8 weeks to read with a little child, after school at Grafton Village? Contact Mary Ella Fuquay for info!

Love & Laundry

On Jan. 18, we served 21 patrons and **spent every single quarter we had: \$437.00!!** Your quarters (and dollars and checks) make this ministry happen, St. Matthias! Next Love & Laundry is Feb. 22.

ASSISTANT NURSERY CAREGIVER WANTED

We are in need of a paid assistant nursery caregiver every Sunday morning, 8:30-12:30, and occasional hours during special events. The qualifications and duties are posted on or with Facebook, Indeed, and the UMC Conference and District. For further information, please contact Pastor Bert Cloud, 540-373-8759, or Peg Jones, 540-775-5729. Application deadline is Jan. 30, 2019.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Giving envelopes have arrived! They can be picked up on the table outside the sanctuary doors. Please note that you will have a new number. Thank you for your patience! Please contact the church office if you have questions or concerns.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, January 27

6:30 p.m. Conference Meeting

Monday, January 28

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry

10:00 a.m. Prayer

5:30 p.m. Upper Room

Tuesday, January 29

7:45 a.m. Exercise Class

1:00 p.m. God Celebrators

6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. Wesleyan Bldg. Bros.

Wednesday, January 30

10:00 a.m. UMW Crafts

12:00 p.m. **Bulletin Deadline**

5:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice

6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, January 31

6:00 p.m. Upper Room

7:00 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday, February 1

Pastor's Sabbath

Saturday, February 2

7:00 a.m. Pray Like a Man

8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

9:30 a.m. Prayer

SMUMC by the Numbers

Attendance on January 20

Sunday School: 33

Morning Worship: 118

Weekly Need: \$6363.50

1/20/19 Offering: \$5,045.00

YTD Need: \$19,090.50

YTD Received \$13,224.00

Monthly Need Jan: \$19,090.50

MTD Received Jan: \$13,224.00

- Amount given to SOSA: \$133.02
- Amount given to UMFS: \$700.00

CONNECT

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please update contact information

Please circle one

Visitor Member

Regular Attender

Please pray for....

I would like this to be shared:

- in the bulletin
- with the prayer team
- only with the Pastor
- I would like the Pastor to call me

Prayers of the Community of Faith!

I would like to sign-up for the following events:

New Bern, NC – Mission Trip

What is a sign of God's hope to you?

I would like more information about:

- Becoming a Member of SMUMC
- Love & Laundry Ministry
- Honduras Mission Trip
- Micah Breakfast
- New Bern, NC Mission Trip (Mar. 6-10)
- The Food Pantry
- The Youth Group
- Small Groups
- Heartwood Food Packing
- volunteering in the church office

Mourning / Families of: ● Joe Byrnes ● Pop Pop Johnson ● Joey Claffy ● Bill Howell ● Mike McGee ● Kenny Johnston ● George May ● Shelva Fairfax ● Pattie Bravo ● Joyce Whitney

Continuing Needs: Greg Anderson ● Paul Balgavy (R. Balgavy) ● Loretta Bass (Patsy Vida) ● Debbie Carpenter (B. Anderson) ● Margaret Courtney (R. Courtney) ● Pattie Cushing (R. Keene) ● Ruby Duddleson (R. Keene) ● Lindsey Fortune (D. Farrar) ● Jennifer Giannuzzi (B. Giannuzzi) ● Dennis & Connie Hagan ● Mrs. "Clyde" Hambrick ● Mary Ann & David Hill (J. Studley) ● Rev. Wayne Hogue ● Shelley Holmes (B. Holmes) ● Michelle Hutchinson (D. Jenkins) ● Billie Jo Hynson (B. Gmitter) ● Pete Jerman ● Jim Kocher (J. Belako) ● Kyra (P. Vida) ● Ed Marks (J. Clark) ● Dick Moore ● George Nosek (D. Garrett) ● Lisa Holsinger Powell (P. Vida) ● Dian Rubiera (B. Giannuzzi) ● Emerson Rudacille (J. Studley) ● Bob & Claire Runger (B. Anderson) ● Joe & Lita Schepers ● Amelia Sharer (E. Wetzel) ● Dorothy & Pastor Bob Van Natta (W. Hogue) ● Amy Watkins (C. Hall & L. Cooper) ● Bob Watts (J. Cover) ● Renewal of UMC ● Ken & Charlotte Stockwell ● Patricia Turley (J. Keene) ● Austin Wolfe (R. Varela) ● Betty Zelloe (D. Jenkins)

Prayer Requests from the week of December 30: ● Debbie Whittington ● Joe Daley ● Dodie Smith ● Marian Lynch ● Judy Purinton ● Jack Goff ● Kseniya ● Shelva ● Lynette Ware ● Joe & Lita Schepers ● Fran Fredericks ● those suffering from natural disasters ● Patti, Brian & Jennifer Johnston ● Brooks family ● Bob Kordes ● Earline Haney

Prayer Requests from the week of January 6: ● Sam Frantum ● Peace in the world ● Christie Conrad ● Donna Spiak ● Gen. Khalifa ● Patrick & Shawna ● Our Nation ● Fran Fredericks ● all those incarcerated ● Wendi Trant ● Amelia Sharer ● Dodie Smith

Prayer Requests from the week of January 20: ● Sam Frantum ● Peace for our Nation ● Jean Stone ● Sara Payne ● Margaret Ann Holt ● Carolyn Sprinkle ● Honduras Missionary trip (Betsy Giannuzzi) fundraising ● Traveling mercies (Murray family) ● Dodie Smith ● Amelia Sharer ● Joe & Lita Schepers, strength and peace

Question for Reflection

The Old Testament "year of jubilee" to which Jesus refers in his first sermon— what some have called his "mission statement"— was a time set aside every fifty years to forgive financial debt and redistribute the land among the people. Why do you think God envisioned a year of jubilee, and what might that look like in our world today?

Household Prayer: Morning

Holy One, thank you for the gift of this new day. Help me to stay attentive to your creation and mindful of your teachings as I travel through it. Empower me to see and spread the good news of your grace for all people. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Holy One, thank you for the gift of today. Thank you for all the ways that I saw your glory and learned your teachings, beyond speech and words, in the course of this day. As I drift to sleep this night, draw me closer to you, my rock and my redeemer. Amen.

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Worship:

Sundays: 8:45 & 11:00
Nursery for infants to 5 yrs
Kids Own Worship (pre -5th grade): 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship:
1st & 3rd Sundays @ 5:45 p.m.

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January 27, 2019

Third Sunday After The Epiphany

Greeting and Opening Prayer

+Introit 8:45 Wonderful Words of Life, UMH 600 | 11:00 Shout to the Lord

+ Call to Worship

God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

God calls us to be builders as well.

God calls us to build our lives:

to restore broken places and continue to grow.

God calls us to build our faith:

to study the Word and ponder its interpretation.

God calls us to build our community:

to build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.

God calls us to build history by fulfilling the promises of Scripture:

to preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.

+ Affirmation of Faith, Apostles' Creed, UMH 882

Response, Gloria Patri, UMH 71

+ 8:45 Great is Thy Faithfulness, UMH 140 | 11:00 You Are My All In All

Prayer for Illumination

Just as we see your wisdom and glory in nature around us, God, may we hear your Word for us in the words of these readings, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may be drawn closer to you. Through your great preacher, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Psalms 19, UMH 750

+ 8:45 How Great Thou Art, UMH 77 | 11:00 Awesome God

Good News

3rd SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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