

SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Worship: 10:00 am December 31,2017

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

Entering into Our Worship Together

PRELUDE
ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: He who sat upon the throne said, "Behold I make all things new."

People: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Leader: Let days speak, and many years teach wisdom.

People: The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

All: Praise be to God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE "We Three Kings" Hymnal #254

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Romans 8:35, 37-39" Hymnal #887

MORNING PRAYER

New every morning is your love, great God of light, and all day long you are working for good in the world. Stir up in us desire to serve you, to live peacefully with our neighbors, and to devote each day to your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Response and Offerings

OFFERTORY

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Proclamation of God's Word

SPECIAL MUSIC "Do you Hear What I Hear" Katie Almquist

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 61:10-62:3
Pew Bible, pg 810

*CENTERING HYMN "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" Hymnal #206

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Hymnal #39

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Luke 2:22-40
Pew Bible, pg 80

SERMON "The Greatest Gift" Pastor Murphy

Our Response to God's Word

John Wesley's Covenant Service (consult Covenant Hand-Out booklet)
Please place your booklet in the box located in the Narthex after the service

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION AND THE RENEWAL OF OUR BAPTISMAL VOWS

Sending Forth

*SENDING HYMN "This Little Light of Mine" Hymnal #585
(stanza 1, stanza 2: bushel)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Our Acolytes lead us out as we go forth to serve.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: We are happy today to administer the sacrament of baptism to Adam Kenneth Gogola, born November 12, 2017. Adam is the son of Jacob and Amanda Reeves Gogola. Grandparents are Kenneth and Phyllis Reeves.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: We are happy today to administer the sacrament of baptism to Alexis Jade Fitzwater, born December 7, 2016. Alexis is the daughter of Hunter Fitzwater and Allison Hawkins. Grandparents are Michael and Cecilia Hawkins, Jennifer Hinegardener, and Mark Fitzwater. Great Grandmother, Jean Kinsey.

Prayer Concerns

*(Prayer requests must be received in the office at 540-896-3970 or office@sunsetdriveumc.com by Thursday at 10am to be included. Names stay on for **two weeks.**)*

Our Church Family ...

Merteen Arbogast (Bev Thompson)

Sarah Fulk (Bev Thompson)

Pastor Tom, Dreanna, and the Murphy Family

Fred Olson (Bev Thompson)

Our Extended Family ...

Amanda Shipe (Angie Coffman)

Aunt Dottie (Donna Belle Dove)

Prayer for Our Military Family.....

Will Freds: U.S Army (son in law of CW and Peggy Grandle)

Mark Hadley: U.S Navy (son of George and Janet Hadley)

David Lee: U.S Army (grandson of Jane Garrett)

Mark Long: U.S Navy (son of Dawn Long)

Chris Mullenax: U.S Army Special Forces

Tim Slutman, U.S Army (close friend of the Almquist family)



Staff

Pastor: Tom Murphy

Secretary: Lisa Thacker

Custodian: Angie Coffman

Music Coordinator: Brenda Hoover

Youth Coordinator: Lacey Roberts



Greeters:

Sunday, December 31st:

Sunday, January 7th : Matt and Sharon Krantz

December Usher

Zach Roberts

Pianist:

Joan Shifflett



If you ordered a poinsettia and have not picked it up, please pick them up after TODAY's Worship Service. Those that are remaining will be removed.

SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Over 129 years of serving God and the Community



"Seeking to live our faith, growing in our discipleship, and reaching out to others."

UMM Meeting on Tuesday, January 2nd at 7pm.

Bible Study will meet Wednesday, January 3rd, at 6:30 pm. We will be studying the Gospel of Luke. All are Welcome to join us and we continue to study Chapter 15.

Adult Choir will practice on Wednesday, January 3rd, at 7:30 pm in the sanctuary. New members are welcome

Transition Team Meeting on Sunday, January 7th, at 6pm.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, January 9th, from 1pm to 3pm. We supply the yarn, needles, and lessons. New members are welcome.

UMM Community Breakfast on Saturday, January 13th, from 7:30am to 9am. Meal includes- Turner ham, bacon, pancakes, sausage gravy, scrambled eggs, hot and cold drinks. Donations to be used for United Methodist Men’s projects. The breakfast is opened to the Community, so spread the word.

Administrative Council Meeting on Monday, January 15th, at 7pm.



Intergenerational Sunday School Class

We will be offering a new Sunday School class beginning January 7, 2018. This class is for our youth as well as parents, young adults, and anyone interested in exploring the Bible more deeply. This class does not take the place of any of our existing adult Sunday School classes, but will be offered as an alternative for anyone wishing to attend. Zack Roberts will be leading the intergenerational class that will meet in the fellowship hall from 9:00 – 9:45 on Sunday mornings. We are excited about this added opportunity for spiritual growth and fellowship! Sandy Cupp, Spiritual Development / Nurture Chair

Stewardship Report –December 24, 2017

Church School Last Sunday 25
Worship Last Sunday 129

Worship/Tithes	\$	5,197.42
Sunday School	\$	6.00
Faith Class	\$	18.00
New Equipment	\$	50.00
Ladies Ministry	\$	100.00
Altar Flowers	\$	50.00
Repair Reserve	\$	15.00
Sound System	\$	15.00

Current financials are on the bulletin board for you to examine

