

## Wednesday Night Fellowship

January 15, 2020 5:45 pm

**Menu:** Ham, roasted potatoes, broccoli, salad bar, bread, dessert

**Program:** The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, led by Grady DeWitt

Reservations by Tuesday, 1/14 at noon

Indicate # of people:

\_\_\_ Adults & children over 12

\_\_\_ Children age 3-11 (meal above)

\_\_\_ Children 3-11 (PBJ/applesauce)

\_\_\_ to go orders (reservation required)

Cost: All meals are paid by donation. A minimum of \$6.50 is requested for anyone who can pay for the meal. Anyone who can pay extra either each week or as a lump sum donation to cover the costs of meals for those who are not able to pay are encouraged to do so. Thank you!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Pay online (thru QR code), via website or pay at the door. To register, tear off this tab and place in offering plate, call the office or go online.

Church family– have you had a change of address, phone number, or email? We want to keep in contact with you! Please notify the church office at 928-9222 or office@1stchurchjc.org of any changes so that we can update our records. Thank you!

Use this QR Code to access **online giving**.



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### WEEKLY CALENDAR

**JANUARY 12-18, 2020**

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

9:15 Sunday School  
10:30 Worship Service  
4:30 Youth & Children's Activities  
5:30 Youth & Children Snack Supper  
6:15 The Branch

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 13

7:00 Boy Scouts

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

4:30 Staff Meeting  
7:00 Church Council Meeting

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

4:00 Youth Choir  
5:00 Guitar Class  
5:30 Fellowship Dinner & Program  
6:15 Children & Youth Activities  
7:30 Chancel Choir

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

6:00 Wayfinders

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

10:00 FUMC serves at the Melting Pot

### SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

**USHERS:** David Denny, Calvin McMann, Roger Bailey, Frank Mohap

**GREETERS:** Jamee Roberts\*, Ann Mohap, Bonnie Sampson,  
Joanne Peterson (\*Indicates person(s) at Welcome Table)

**PRAYER:** Dianna Boarman

**AUDIOVISUAL:** Karl Kapoor



## First United Methodist Church

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Worship Guide & Church Life Information Bulletin

Welcome to 1st Church! We are glad you are here.

Please sign the blue registration pad at one end of each pew. Information about 1st Church can be found inside the front cover. Please help yourself to any of these materials. If you are a new visitor today, please stop by the Welcome Station immediately following the service, in the room at the rear of the sanctuary. We have a gift for you and want to meet you!

### THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

**January 12, 2020**

**Baptism of the Lord**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

**PRELUDE** "On Jordan's Stormy Bank the Baptist's Cry" Arr. Gilbert Martin

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As we gather here today, we recall that Jesus came to the water to be baptized.

**People: In baptism, we are claimed by God and freed from the power of hatred and death.**

Leader: In baptism we are joined to Christ and joined together in unity.

**People: "There is no longer Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female. We are all one in Christ Jesus."**

Leader: In baptism, the Spirit of God anoints us for the ministry of proclaiming God's divine love to all.

**People: Therefore, we remember our baptism and celebrate. Let us worship God together.**

#### INVOCATION

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

"How Firm a Foundation"

No. 529

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: God our Father, we confess that we have failed to live into Your promise of new life. We are eager to worship You and offer our praise,

**People: but we are often reluctant to answer when we hear You calling our name.**

Leader: We sing our songs of praise in the sanctuary,

**People: but fall silent in the routine of daily living.**

Leader: We gladly rejoice in our own salvation,

**People: but fail to share Your goodness and grace with others.**

Leader: Forgive us, Lord, for living our lives safely and not being willing to discomfort ourselves for the sake of others.

**People: Let the power of Your ever-present Spirit strengthen us to proclaim Your love and Your justice in our community and throughout the world.**

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: The God who created you and shaped your life says this: "Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you; I have called you by name; you are mine." My friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are chosen, called, and forgiven. Thanks be to God. AMEN**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Isaiah 47:1-7

**MORNING PRAYER AND 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**

**HYMN OF REFLECTION** "Oceans" Words on Screen

*Children 2nd grade & younger are welcome to meet the adult leader at the door at the front of the sanctuary as the offertory begins to go to Children's Church.*

**OFFERTORY** "Of the Father's Love Begotten" Arr. Mark Hayes

**DOXOLOGY** No. 94

**GOSPEL READING** Mark 1:1-13

**ANTHEM** "Ascribe to the Lord"

*Ascribe to the Lord, ye heavens, adore Him; give to the Lord all glory and praise.  
Ascribe to the Lord, ye heavens, adore Him; give to the Lord the glory due His name.*

*The voice of God is on the waters; the God of glory thunders over all the sea.  
Worship the Lord in holy splendor. The voice of God is full of majesty. All powerful is our God.*

**SERMON** "The Starting Place" Rev. Jodie Ihfe

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead;**

**He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;**

**from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins, and the life everlasting. AMEN**

**RENEWAL OF BAPTISM**

**COVENANT OF THANKSGIVING**

Leader: Let us rejoice in the faithfulness of our covenant God.

**All: We give thanks for all that God has already given us. As members of the body of Christ, and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we will faithfully participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

**RECOGNITION OF CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

**\*HYMN** "Down By the Jordan" Supplement No. 3045

**\*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.*

*With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.*

**GO IN PEACE, GREET ONE ANOTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST, AND TAKE THE LOVE OF CHRIST WITH YOU THIS WEEK TO SHARE WITH ALL YOU MEET.**

January 12, 2020 Prayer Requests

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Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer list:**

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| Barbara Marrs                     | Noah Cook              |
| Elizabeth Bailey                  | Lou Thornberry         |
| Nancy Jewell                      | Denver Parrett         |
| Elizabeth Wells                   | Luke Holmes            |
| Catherine Cartus                  | Reed Davis             |
| Tom Palmer                        | Eddie Deakins          |
| Kevin Jones                       | Lori Marriott          |
| Bob Lentz                         | The Gouge family       |
| Evelyn Moore                      | Patricia Brantley      |
| Jo Cross                          | Susan Gray             |
| Jerry & Judy Rust                 | Doris Welch            |
| Gary J. Harkins                   | Bob McGuire            |
| Magnolia Ridge family of recovery | Mack & Corrine Ballard |
| Roy & Sharyn Lessly               | Viola & Bobby Seay     |
| Betty McGaha                      | Fred Parke             |
| Steve Wilkinson                   | Dee Minutolo           |
| Rev. Bill Carter                  | Tom Holmes             |
| Gary Roberts                      |                        |

Sympathy is extended to Helen & Rowan Mills and family in the death of Rowan's grandfather, JC Mills, on January 7.

