

# We Gather to Worship God

*Epiphany means “manifestation.” On this day we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles—that is to all nations. The word and sacraments for us are the great epiphany of God’s grace and mercy. We go forth to witness to the light that shines brightly in our midst.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Louis Clerambault  
*Trumpet in Dialogue*

## INTROIT

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

*God who sent the Light into our world, who shone in the Bethlehem manger, and who spreads the Spirit’s rays, be with you all.*  
**And also with you.**

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 254 *Kings of Orient*  
*We Three Kings*

\* EPIPHANY GREETING

*The star shone bright in the Bethlehem sky.*  
**We too have a star to guide us.**  
*The shepherds rand to see the babe.*  
**We too have a star to guide us.**  
*The magi knelt at the child’s feet.*  
**We too have a star to guide us.**  
*Christ shines with God’s own truth and light.*  
**We too have a Star to guide us.**

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

*The peace of the Lord be with you all.*  
**And also with you.**  
\* All may exchange signs of peace.

*The passing of the peace is an invitation for the worshiping assembly to share the gift of Christ’s peace with one another. Exchanging the peace after confession and pardon is a gesture of love and blessing. We invite you to turn to your neighbor and offer blessing by saying, “Peace be with you.”*

~ **WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD** ~

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 60:1-6 OT. Pg. 690

This is the word of God for the people of God  
**Thanks be to God.**

\* HYMN OF THE DAY No. 220 *Regent Square*  
*Angels from the Realms of Glory*  
Stanza 1 & 3

THE SECOND LESSON Ephesians 3:1-12 NT Pg. 193

*This is the word of God for the people of God.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM John Rutter  
*Away in a Manger*

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 2:1-12 NT Pg. 2

*This is the word of God for the people of God.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle  
*Star Gazers*

Children ages three through third-grade may go to Children’s Church in room 123.  
Nurseries provided for infants through 3 years in rooms 118 & 120.

THE SERMON Rev. Kyle Randle  
*What Are You Looking For?*

~ **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD** ~

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 219 *Greensleeves*  
*What Child Is This*

OFFERTORY Johann Pachelbel  
*How Brightly Shines the Morning Star*

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION No. 13  
Taking the Bread  
The Great Thanksgiving  
The Lord’s Prayer  
Giving the Bread and Cup

This morning Holy Communion will be celebrated by Intinction. The ushers will direct worshippers towards the Chancel Rail to kneel and receive the elements. Please commune and pray until you are led to return to your seat. Any offering left this morning will go in support of the Haiti Mission Trip.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

No. 237 *Sing We Now of Christmas* *French Carol*  
No. 251 *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

~ **WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD** ~

\* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 245 *The First Noel*  
*The First Noel*

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY J. S. Bach  
*Fantasia in A Major*

\* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of my wife, Amy Hickman  
in celebration of our 20th Wedding Anniversary  
with love, Lee Hickman

## NOTES FOR WORSHIP

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Doxology, are from the United Methodist Hymnal found in the pew racks. Old Testament and New Testament scripture readings are from the New Revised Standard Version, located in the pew. Page numbers for the readings are listed in the order of worship.

## THINGS TO KNOW WHILE WORSHIPPING AT FIRST UMC

We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope that you will receive a blessing from the service. If you don't already have a church home, it is our hope that you will consider letting First Church fill that need.

All worshipers are asked to sign the Attendance Pad at the end of each pew and pass it along to your neighbors.

The Nursery is located on the first floor of the Education Wing in Rm. 118. Our nursery is staffed with paid professionals and loving volunteers. Parents are asked to sign in their children and check out a pager, so that we may contact you should the need arise during worship.

A restroom is located in the Narthex, the Parlor, and the first floor of the Education Wing. Baby Changing Stations are located in the Nursery, Rm. 118.

In the hustle and bustle of getting ourselves ready for church, it is easy to forget to turn off our cell phones. We offer this gentle reminder to please turn cell phones off so that the worship service is not disrupted by them.

We wish to invite you to contact one of our staff members if you would like more information about FUMC:

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A full listing of the staff may be found in the Announcements inserted in the bulletin or online.

## Serving This Sunday, January 4

**Altar Guild:** Charlotte Ives, Janet Von Deck, Janet Roche  
**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Savannah Seremet, Ross Fallaw, Sydney Stegall  
**Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Jack McCutcheon, Ike Locklair  
(Monday) Maxine Dunn and Margaret Thompson, Nancy Stiltner  
**Trustee Duty:** George Martin  
**Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman  
**Ushers:** Richard Jordan (Chairman), Phil Thompson (Co-Chairman)  
Danny Clonts, Lee Hickman, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson, Ken Senn, Frank Watts,  
Chris Wright  
**Children's Church:** Tim Whitten

## This Week at FUMC

### Sunday, January 4

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Follow That Star! / Fellowship Hall

### Monday, January 5

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

### Tuesday, January 6

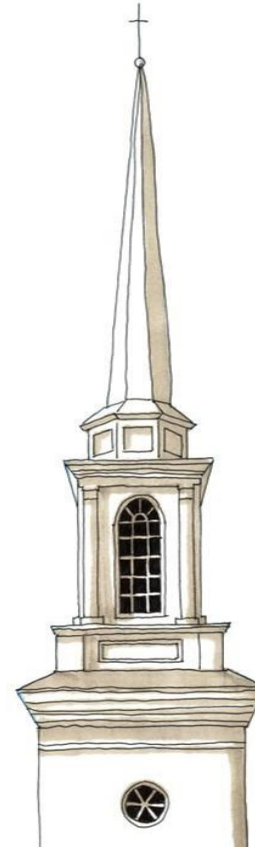
2:00 p.m. UDC / FLC  
6:00 p.m. Henry/Rogers Circle / Rivertown Bistro  
7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC

### Wednesday, January 7

3:00 p.m. Children's Snack Time / Education Wing  
3:15 p.m. Cherub and Wesley Treble Choirs Rehearsal / Rm. 105  
4:00 p.m. W.W. Activities / Education Wing & FLC  
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall  
6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 211  
6:30 p.m. Bible Study / Rm. 216  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 105

### Thursday, January 8

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC



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Second Sunday after Christmas

Epiphany Sunday

January 4, 2015

11:00 a.m.

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Welcome to First United Methodist Church

Out of a broken and sinful world, all people are welcomed into the body of Jesus Christ at First Church. As children of God, together we join in worship to experience the transforming love of our Savior.

We are here this morning to worship God. Through our songs, words of praise, prayers and scripture reading, we give honor and glory to God. Wondrous things happen as we worship. Lives are changed. The presence of God brings hope, comfort, healing, and joy. Let us worship in gladness. Jesus, the Lord of Life is with us.