

# 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 are for us 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 J.S. Bach  
*Fantasia in D*

## \* 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 DIALOGUE

*The star shone bright in the Bethlehem sky.  
We too have a star to guide us.  
The shepherds ran 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.**

THE PSALTER No. 795 Gary Alan Smith  
Psalm 72:1-14 with Response 1

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

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ANTHEM John Jacob Niles

*I Wonder as I Wander  
Will Fallaw, soloist*

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

*As a star, God’s holy word leads us to our King and Lord; brightly from its sacred pages shall this light throughout the ages shine upon our path of life.*

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

*Gifts*

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

*Recalculating*

~ WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD ~

\* THE HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 219 Greensleeves

*What Child Is This*

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881

*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,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

\* GLORIA PATRI NO. 70 Meineke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition, please respond

*Let us pray:*

**Have mercy, O God.**

OFFERTORY Johann Christian Bach

*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 Shepherd’s Table

COMMUNION ANTHEM Paul Sjolund

*Brightest and Best*

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

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

*The First Noel*

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Gerald Near

*In Dulci Jubilo*

\* CONGREGATION STANDING



**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:

- Kyle.Randle@fumconway.org (Pastor)
- Billy.Fallaw@fumconway.org (Dir. of Music)
- Tim.Whitten@fumconway.org (Dir. of Christian Ed.)
- Danny.Clonts@fumconway.org (Accountant)
- Office@fumconway.org (Ministry Asst.)

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

Serving This Sunday, January 5

- Altar Guild:** Charlotte Ives, Janet Roche, Janet Von Deck
- Acolytes and Crucifer:** Ross Fallaw, Evan Von Herrmann, Samuel Hickman
- Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Jack McCutcheon, Ike Locklair (Monday) Maxine Dunn and Margaret Thompson
- Trustee Duty:** Jill Nelson
- Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman
- Ushers:** Richard Jordan (Chairman), Phil Thompson (Co-Chairman) Kevin Cox, Danny Clonts, Lee Hickman, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson, Ken Senn, Tidy Singleton, Phil Thompson, Frank Watts, Chris Wright

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, January 5

- 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 / FLC

Monday, January 6

- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study & Discussion / FLC Senior Room
- 7:00 p.m. Henry / Rogers Circle Meeting / FLC

Tuesday, January 7

- 10:00 a.m. Burroughs/Collins Circle Meeting / FLC
- 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting / FLC
- 7:00 p.m. Love God, Love People Meeting / FLC

Wednesday, January 8

- 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. Adult Bible Study / Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 105

Stewardship and Attendance			
<b>Christmas Eve Service</b>		<b>Christmas Eve</b>	371
<b>Operating</b>	<b>1,882.00</b>	<b>December 29, 2013</b>	
Good Samaritan	225.00	Morning Worship	127
Music Discretionary	50.00		
Building Fund	125.00		
Total (12/24/13)	2,282.00	CAP	16
<b>December 29, 2013</b>			
<b>Operating</b>	<b>8,447.50</b>		
Good Samaritan	25.00		
Epworth	400.00		
Poinsettia Child	36.00		
Youth Discretionary	50.00		
Building Fund	3,045.00		
Total (12/29/13)	12,003.50		



# First United Methodist Church

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Second Sunday after Christmas

Celebration of the Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2014

11:00 a.m.



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.