

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

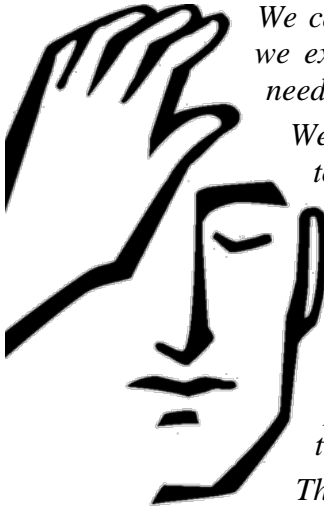
## *A Church for All God's Children*

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*The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*

*January 29, 2012*

### **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**



*We carry within us emotional aches of varying sorts and durations; we experience the twinges of spiritual growing pains. We come in need of healing...*

*We endure the distresses of lingering physical ailments; we feel the torments of addictive behavior and unresolved griefs. We come in need of healing...*

*We know what it is like to go to pieces or to have relational bonds broken; we sense a world of hurts within an injured creation. We come in need of healing...*

*We come to worship the God who wills us to be well, who prescribes faithfulness as a means to better health. We give thanks this day for a healing faith and a loving God.*

*Thanks be to God! Welcome to worship!*



*The Congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.*

### **THE LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

#### **THE INTROIT**

“Holy Ground”

**Beatty**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP** (*adapted from Psalm 62* ✠ responses are in bold type)

Only in God can my soul be at rest;

**From God alone will come my salvation.**

You are the Heart of my heart, the Rock of my faith;

**Teach me again the truth of Your name.**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

**No. 110**

**\*THE OPENING PRAYER**

**THE FIRST READING** (*Deuteronomy 18:15-20* ✕ *pew bible, OT p. 173*)

**THE RESPONSE** (*all sing*) “Open Our Eyes, Lord” (*thin black hymnal*) **No. 2086**

*All sing in prayer-filled response to the gift of God’s word.*

**Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.  
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

## **THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*Passing the Peace of Christ is a sign that we are reconciled in love to one another through the love of God in Jesus Christ. You may express it verbally (saying, “The Peace of Christ be with you,” or simply, “Peace”) or by gesture. Much more than a friendly greeting, it expresses the peace of Christ who dwells among God’s people. It is nothing less than Christ himself speaking from one human heart to another.*

## **THE GOOD NEWS FOR CHILDREN**

*Lorrie Mottesheard*

*Children from age five through the fifth grade are invited to attend Children’s Church following “The Good News.” Children four and under may go to the nursery.*

## **THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS**

### **THE OFFERTORY**

**\*THE DOXOLOGY** “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

**No. 94**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*THE HYMN OF PEACE** “Healer of Our Every Ill”

**No. 2213**

## **JOYS & CONCERNS**

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER** (*concluding with the Lord’s Prayer* ✕ *no. 895*)

**\*THE SECOND READING** (*Mark 1:21-28* ✕ *pew bible, NT p. 32*)

**THE ANTHEM** “In the Presence of Jehovah”

**Davis**

**THE SERMON** “When Jesus Comes to Church”

**Rev. Tom**

**\*THE HYMN OF GRACE**      “Just As I Am, Without One Plea”

**No. 357**

*Anointing the forehead with oil is a sign-act invoking the love of God and the presence of the healing Christ, who is God’s Anointed One. If you so desire, you may come to. Those who desire simply to come and pray may come and stand or kneel at the lectern side of the chancel rail. Following the hymn, if needed, we will sing the first and last verses of hymns 2025, 2036, 2080, 2121 and 2272.*

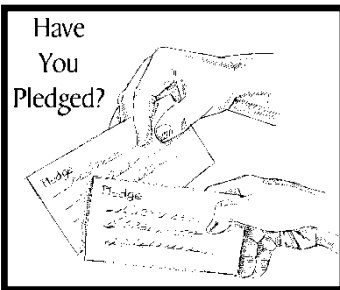
**\*THE LEADING OF THE LIGHT**

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**  
**THE RESPONSE**

**\*THE POSTLUDE**

**WE ARE SENT TO WITNESS, LOVE, AND SERVE**

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Did you miss *Stewardship Celebration Sunday*? Do you need a *Commitment Card*? Please pick up a card from the *Narthex* or the *Church Office*... and prayerfully consider your giving to the church. The biblical model for giving is the tithe which is a tenth of all that God gives us – the *first fruits* of what God has so graciously enabled us to earn and receive. But if the tithe doesn’t seem possible, consider moving *toward* the tithe by increasing your giving by 1 percent of your income (*Grow-Toward-Tithing*) or simply *Grow-A-Step* in a dollar amount of your own choosing.

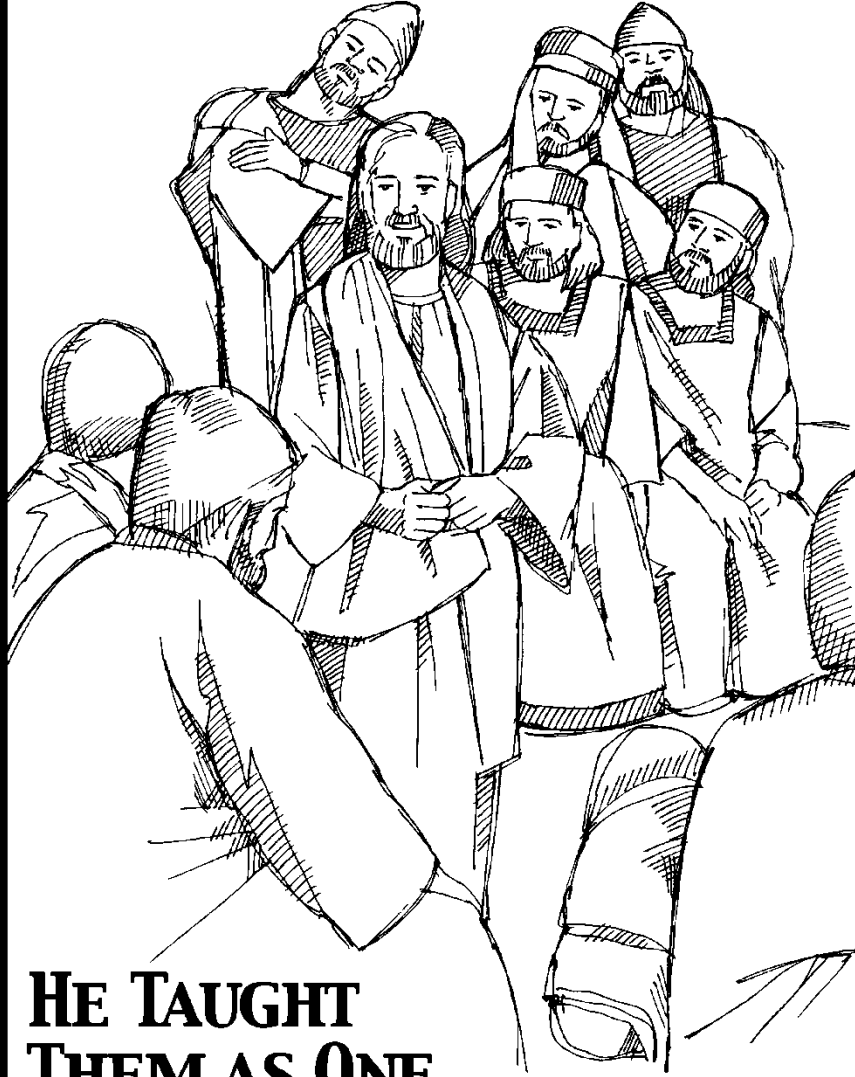
How will our church use the money?

- **Staffing** to meet the needs of our youth, the elderly, and every congregational family.
- **Worship** to encounter the living God in our life together.
- **Evangelism & Outreach** to share God’s love in Jesus Christ with others.
- **Christian Education** to maintain and improve our teaching material, to offer new and expanded programs for all ages.
- **Nurture** to provide opportunities and resources for all of us to grow in our relationship with God in Christ.
- **Property & Maintenance** to keep our property (and God’s house!) in good, appropriate, working condition.



*First United Methodist Church, South Charleston*

*The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany ✠ January 29, 2012*



**HE TAUGHT  
THEM AS ONE  
WHO HAD AUTHORITY**

**MARK 1:22**

**This Week's Church Calendar: Jan. 29 - Feb. 5**

<b><u>SUN:</u></b>	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	10:50 AM	Pre Service Prayer in Chapel
	11:00 AM	Worship
	12:15 PM	Short Trustees meeting in Chapel
	3:00 PM	Memorial Service for Gladys Duncan and reception in social hall
<b><u>MON:</u></b>	9:00 AM	Social hall reserved
	5:30 PM	Zumba Class in social hall
	7:00 PM	Walker Ringers rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Scouts in scout room
<b><u>TUES:</u></b>	10:30 AM	Craft Group in social hall
	5:30 PM	Zumba Class in social hall
	6:00 PM	Ministry Team Visitations
	6:45 PM	Cub Scouts in social hall
<b><u>WED:</u></b>	9:00 AM	Social hall reserved
	5:30 PM	WOW! for Children in social hall
	5:30 PM	UM Youth in youth room
<b><u>THUR:</u></b>	5:30 PM	Zumba Class in social hall
	6:00 PM	TOPS meeting in Life Search classroom
	7:00 PM	Chancel choir rehearsal
<b><u>SAT:</u></b>	9:00 AM	UM Men meeting in social hall
<b><u>SUN:</u></b>	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	10:50 AM	Pre Service Prayer in Chapel
	11:00 AM	Worship

**There will be a short meeting of the Trustees** in the Chapel immediately following worship.

**A Memorial Service for Gladys Duncan** will be held this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A reception to greet the family will be held immediately following the service in the social hall.

**Ministry Team Visitations on Tuesday, January 31, at 6:00 p.m.** - You are invited to visit members and friends of our church. Meet in the Chapel at 6:00 p.m.

**Youth Sub Sale** - Pre order a delicious homemade sub sandwich to pick up on Sunday, February 5, after Worship in the social hall. See the order form enclosed in today's bulletin.

**What's Up At The Tech Park?** Find out at 9:00 a.m. next Saturday, February 4, when Dr. J. Phillip Halstead, executive director and chief executive officer of the West Virginia Regional Technology Park Corp., gives an update. His presentation will be in the social hall. There will be time for questions. Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be served. The United Methodist Men will host the event, which is free.

**Boy Scout spaghetti luncheon** will be held immediately following worship on Sunday, February 12. The cost: adults, 12 and up, \$6:00; children, 3-11, \$3.00; children 2 and under free. Carry outs also available.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Jan. 29:** John Dotson (Charleston Gardens), Edna Moore (Sunbridge), Anne McConihay (Valley Health Center), *David Paleg (Bud Anderson's friend)*, Scott Neely, Dan Forwood (June Bumgarner's friend), Bill Adams (Jay Best's-step father), Justin Toney (Jean Best's nephew), Jivan Salvi, Ed Anderson, Jay Anderson, Eleanor McClung, Jim Yahn (Jenny Schenck's friend), Marcee Walker, Tish Tierney (Zach Ryan's sister in law), , Cheryl Mulholland (Phyllis Mulholland's daughter), Steve Hoffman (Melinda Adamson's friend), Phyllis Snidow (Helen Chapman's friend), Jeanne K. and Rick Cochran, Dr. Paul Lambert, Harold Wright, Sheila Rutherford, Brenda Jordon (Becky Lilly's friend and sister-in-law), Dana Erickson (Holly Murphy's friend), Brayden Elmore (Pat Burchett's great nephew), Nathan Barnett (Pat Abbott's friend), Dorothy Amick, Madge Canterbury, Patrick Loveday (Betty Jo Johnson's great nephew), Pauline Morgan, (Carolyn Smith's friend), Sean Whitten (Jeri Whitten's son), Glen Wright (Harold Wright's brother), Marie Tatterson, Tina Summers (Fern Swisher's friend), *Josh Luikart (Lorrie Mottesheard's son)*, *Kathleen Parsons, (serving in Afghanistan)*, Jason Frye, Capt. Robert Alan Deitz (Sharen Sumpter Deitz's son), Family of Susan Fultineer, Tom and Sue Hall, Janet Skeens, Ina Hartman, Ann Goodman (Dawn Wells' friends & aunts), Katherine Watson (David Watson's mother), Tom Morgan, Wanda Grass, Carol Morgan, Phyllis Permalia, Clarence and Michael McCoy, Karen Morgan.

*ITALICS* –New on our Prayer List

*We will leave names on the prayer list for three weeks. If you would like to have them kept on, please call the church office.*

**Altar Flowers** are to the Glory of God and in celebration of Nyla Flint's birthday (January 27) given by Larry Flint.

**Pedestal Flowers** are to the Glory of God and in celebration of Rose Christian's 80th birthday on January 28, given by her family.

**I would like to thank my Church family** for all the support I received during the time of Creed's illness and death. A special thanks to Rev. Nolan and The Singing Men for a beautiful service. And a thank you for food, phone calls and visits. *Sally Adkins, David and Megan Greathouse*

**There are open dates for Altar flowers** for March 18, 25 and April 1, 22 and 29. If you would like to place flowers on the altar for any of these dates, please call the church office (304-744-3211). The cost is \$20.00.

**The Craft Group** will continue to take orders for Chicken Pot pies and Literary Stew Mix. There are two sizes of chicken pot pies available - small \$5.00 and large \$8.00. Order forms for both items are in the library.

**Purchase A Special Keepsake design of First Church** - Check out the information and order form on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the side Sanctuary door. The cost is \$17.00.

**Shrove Tuesday, February 21, 6:00 p.m.** - Plan to join us for a pancake and waffle dinner in the social hall. The cost is \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children. 2 years and under eat free. The maximum cost for a family is \$15.00. We will be selling tickets. All proceeds will go to the church budget.

**Save The Date!!!** United Methodist Women INDOOR FLEA MARKET AND BAKE SALE will be held on Saturday, March 17, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the church social hall. We will accept your donation of treasures for the Flea Market beginning on Sunday, February 26. Please put your donations on the social hall stage. **PLEASE NO CLOTHES!!**

**Vendors for UMW Indoor Flea Market** Spaces are available for \$15 each in the social hall at the Indoor Flea Market. Reserve a space to sell your crafts or treasures by contacting Teresa Matheny or Linda in the church office. Spaces are limited so reserve your space today.

### **Financial News**

**2011 Pledge and commitment cards** are available in the Narthex. If you have not completed a card, you can complete and drop in the offering plate or leave in the office. Thank you.

**You may pick up your 2012 pledge card envelopes** that are in the Narthex. Please complete the envelopes with your name and dollar amount giving for each type of selection to assist the tellers. If you do not see pledge cards for you or your family or have any questions, please contact Malissa Hohmann at 304-421-1917. Thank you.

**WE RECEIVED** a \$378.50 rebate check from Kroger on January 9 for the groceries and gas charged on cards we issued. We have received a total of \$10,693.79 since we began participating two years ago. All proceeds go to the church's budget. To participate in this fundraiser, which does not cost you or the church a cent, please see George Hohmann.

### **Christian Education Needs!**

**UMYF** are selling Diner Cards to raise money for a future Mission Trip. The cards are \$10.00. Each card has sixteen vendor discount offers that do not expire until November 2012. We have a very small youth group and we ask our church family's help by selling approximately five cards per household. UMYF profit is \$5.00 per card. See Lorrie after worship in the church office or call the church office during the week.

**Snow Days** - We are still in need of volunteers to come and stay for a short time or for the day. This is something we need in place as soon as possible and it is impossible to organize that day. If you are not able to "chase" kids around, there is still something you can do. You can prepare a meal, fix a pot of soup or spaghetti at home and come serve it, you can bring a favorite book to read, or come man a game or craft table. This is a mission our church family provides to our neighbors that is of great value in a very stressful situation - an unexpected snow day. If you can volunteer or have any questions, contact Sara Ryan (304-545-8398).

**Please save your empty cereal boxes** for Holly Murphy. She is collecting empty cereal boxes for an organization called Apparent Project (Mothers of preschoolers). The boxes can be flattened and the liner inside the box is not needed. If you have any questions, please see Holly Murphy or call her at 803-920-3418.

**Please continue to save your empty ink/toner cartridges and turn in to the church office!** Turning in the cartridges to Staples/Office Max for coupon on future purchases saves the church money on office supplies. Please turn any empty ink/toner cartridges you may have to the church office.

**The Newspaper ad** is sponsored this week by an anonymous donation.

**VERY IMPORTANT - We have not received donations for February and future months to pay for the church ad. If donations are not received, we will have to cancel the ad!** If you would be interested in sponsoring an ad, please fill in your name and place in the collection plate along with your check in the amount of \$28.00. Thank you for helping! Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Our church vision is "To praise God, To serve God, To Bring Others to God"**. Please pick up one of the purple bags labeled "**From Our Home to Yours**" located on the Narthex table outside the sanctuary. Fill it with a treat, today's church bulletin, Upper Room and/or an invitation to a friend inviting them to join us for our next church service or event.



## Coffee Fellowship

***Greetings to our visitors and members***, please sign the pew pads located at the end of each pew. If you are a visitor, please list your address and phone number on the registration pad. There is coffee and Welcome Folders in order that you may get to know our activities and missions located in the Narthex. We hope you enjoy your fellowship and will share the message this week with others. May we grow in our fellowship together praising God for our precious life, obtaining forgiveness through Jesus Christ and words shared through the Holy Spirit. Thank you for sharing your time in fellowship with us today and hope you will return soon.

## The Ministry of Worship

**The Ushers:** Jim Snyder, Barney Lilly, Harold Swisher, Bob Nester, Carl Childress, Danny Murphy, George Russell, and Larry Wolfe

**The Acolytes:** Gary Anderson and Kylie Richo

**The Crucifer:** Spencer Fultineer

**The Pastor:** Thomas P. Nolan

**The Director of Music:** Gena Ryan

**The Organist:** William Holbrook

**Christian Education Director:** Lorrie Mottesheard

**Administrative Assistant:** Linda Nehr

**Custodian:** Janice Pauley

**Volunteers for WOW on Wednesday, February 1 - Kitchen:** Rick Johnston, Jane Duffy/George Russell **Floor:** Carrie Hamilton and Sarah Deitz

**Tape Ministry:** Don Ryan, Gary Good, Ed King and Dan Blackwood

**Nursery/Toddler:** Adult Volunteers: George Hohmann and Roy Fultineer (*For infants through age 3*)

**Tellers Counting Today:** George Hohmann and Danny and Jeanne Murphy

**Tellers Counting on Sunday, February 5:** Roy Fultineer and Steve Young

**The Ministers:** You, the members and friends of First Church

*Let us hear from you!*

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