



The Jubilate

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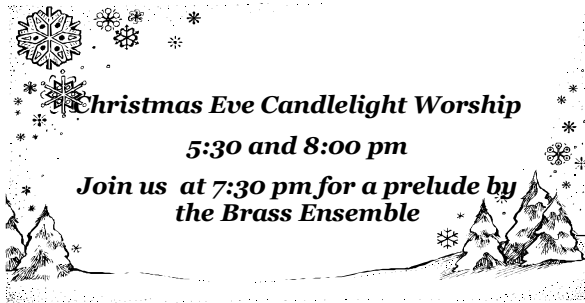
Our purpose:

"We are a Church of the Ages,
Serving the Present Age by making
Disciples of Jesus Christ for the
transformation of our community
and world"

Our vision:

Being a spiritually dynamic, outward
focused United Methodist
Congregation enlivened by
passionate worship, equipped
discipleship and compassionate
service.

Amoy *Chester* *Nancy*
Kevin *Cindy*
Harry *Malin*

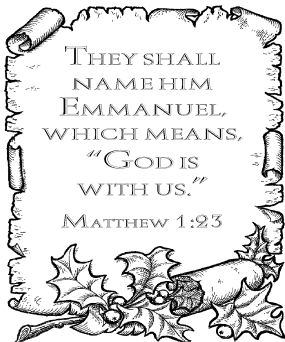


The church office will be closed: December 24th and 27th.

The church office will be open until noon on December 31st and closed on January 3rd.

And they shall name him Emmanuel which means “God is with Us.”

Matthew 1:23



God is with us! There may not be a more powerful passage in scripture. When God enters the world in the form of a human baby, God is making a personal statement to all of us. He wants to be a part of our daily lives. God wants to be involved in every aspect of our lives 24/7, not just for one hour on Sunday morning.

When he enters the world, God makes a commitment to us that he will be with us. No matter what challenges we face in our lives, God is with us!

As we gather for Christmas Eve services at church and with family and friends on Christmas morning, may we once

again experience this birth of a baby and may it renew us spiritually.

Merry Christmas!

Pastor Kevin



I would like to thank those that made the presentation of “Bringing Christmas Home-A Story of Hope” possible. You gave of your talents and time, so this message of hope could be shared with others.

It was a joy to have time to fellowship and enjoy refresh-

ments afterwards! Many thanks to those who prepared the reception, and to all who attended this special evening. May we all remember that “It’s the season of light, the season of light, a promise of joy at the end of the night. Reminding each heart no matter how dark, hope is in sight, it’s the season, the season of light.”

Bless your hearts and Merry Christmas!

Cindy

Thank you to the Nurture and Care Committee for the goodie bag.

Mary Sommerfield

Thank you for the gift, the cookies and candy were great. I also enjoy the Upper Room every month.

Thanks again,

Elaine Arnold



January 2011

First United Methodist Church

SUNDAY SERVICES:

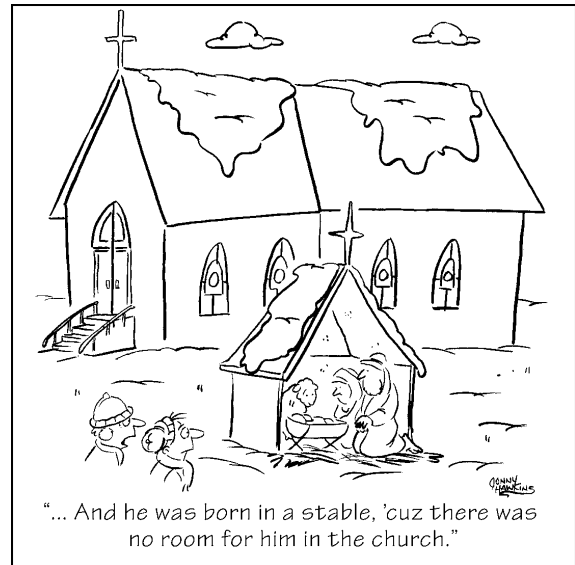
8:30 AM Worship Service * 9:45 AM Church School * 11:00 AM Worship Service * 6:00 PM Youth Group

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p>SUNDAY CHOIR REHEARSALS:</p> <p>4:00 PM Youth Bells</p> <p>5:00 PM Young Christian Singers</p> <p>6:00 PM Wesley Ringers</p> <p>* indicates change in schedule</p> | | | | | | <p>1</p> |
| <p>2</p> <p>No Youth or Choirs</p> | <p>3</p> <p>Church Office Closed</p> <p>5 pm No Celebration</p> <p>6 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Boy Scouts</p> | <p>4</p> <p>10 am Staff Mtg</p> <p>5 pm Worship & Music</p> <p>7 pm Missions & Connections</p> | <p>5</p> <p>3:45 - 5:15 PM Wonderful Wed</p> <p>6:30 Disciple I</p> <p>7 Disciple IV</p> | <p>6</p> <p>7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>7</p> | <p>8</p> |
| <p>9</p> <p>2 pm Twin Oaks</p> | <p>10</p> <p>5 pm Celebration</p> <p>6 pm SPRC</p> <p>6 pm UMW Executive</p> <p>6 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Boy Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Discipleship</p> | <p>11</p> <p>10 am Staff Mtg</p> <p>9:30 am Esther Cir</p> <p>6 pm UMM</p> <p>7 pm Trustees</p> | <p>12</p> <p>9:30 am Nurture & Care</p> <p>3:45 - 5:15 PM Wonderful Wed</p> <p>6:30 Disciple I</p> <p>7 Disciple IV</p> | <p>13</p> <p>12 pm Jubilate Deadline</p> <p>2 pm Martha Cir</p> <p>7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>14</p> <p>Confirmation Retreat</p> | <p>15</p> |
| <p>16</p> <p>Confirmation Sunday</p> | <p>17</p> <p>5 pm Celebration</p> <p>6 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Boy Scouts</p> | <p>18</p> <p>10 am Staff Mtg</p> <p>7 pm Finance</p> | <p>19</p> <p>3:45 - 5:15 PM Wonderful Wed</p> <p>6:30 Disciple I</p> <p>7 Disciple IV</p> | <p>20</p> <p>7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>22</p> <p>9 am Habitat Open House</p> <p>9 am Church Council Retreat (off-site)</p> |
| <p>23</p> | <p>24</p> <p>5 pm Celebration</p> <p>6 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Boy Scouts</p> | <p>25</p> <p>10 am Staff Mtg</p> <p>7 pm Church Council</p> | <p>26</p> <p>3:45 - 5:15 PM Wonderful Wed</p> <p>6:30 Disciple I</p> <p>7 Disciple IV</p> | <p>27</p> <p>12 pm Jubilate Deadline</p> <p>7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir</p> | <p>28</p> | <p>29</p> |
| <p>30</p> | <p>31</p> <p>5 pm Celebration</p> <p>6 pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Boy Scouts</p> <p>7 pm Friends of Jesus</p> | | | | | |



January Birthdays and Anniversaries

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| 1 | Kay Boughton, Anissa Litif | 2 | Bill & Karen Kidder | 24th |
| 2 | Rick Anderson, Steve Ramer, Lee Stieger, John Whitworth | 9 | Lou Ann & Ron Roggentien | 4th |
| 3 | Diane Carnoali, Paul Estep, Nate Higginbotham, Mary Catherine Perry, Lily Rader | 15 | Bob & Frances Rogers | 64th |
| 4 | Jill Atwell, Doug Fox, Kaki Kinard, Joey Sodowsky | 17 | Eric & Tiffanne Greek | 3rd |
| 5 | Haley Kreutzer | 17 | Joe & Christine Corriston | 23rd |
| 6 | Janet Tharp | 21 | David & Brenna Sommerla | 16th |
| 7 | Norma Bray, Alice Hall, Katy Hansen | 23 | Jeff & Ann Andrews | 18th |
| 8 | Emily Hansen, Anne Ramer | 26 | Guillaume & Sarah Schabanet | 9th |
| 9 | Erik Grafel, Thad Marshall | 31 | Jim & Jan Glick | 41st |
| 10 | Darlene Fees, Laura Riffel | | | |
| 11 | Christa Andraschko, Daniel Eyerly | | | |
| 12 | Tim Baer, Katie Scott, Lynne Sepulvado, John Warner | | | |
| 13 | Bonnie Hobbs, Logan Scanlon, Shelly Stroup | | | |
| 14 | Gary Harms, Jared Schaefer, Bill Shade | | | |
| 15 | Kendall Conroyd, Haley Simpson | | | |
| 16 | Alexandra Burkett | | | |
| 17 | Kelsey Carpenter, Sharon Crary, Ed Johnson | | | |
| 18 | Martha Shore | | | |
| 19 | Erin Mylenski | | | |
| 20 | Phil Billard, Margaret Elliott, Alex Pepper, Donna Pittman, Anna Sodowsky, Jim Wolfe | | | |
| 21 | Kim Cupp, Amy Hastings, Barbara Kempf, Chad Kinnear, Elizabeth Un | | | |
| 22 | John Aardema, Mike Crow, Lois Kastner | | | |
| 23 | Jennifer Ko, Leah Wiegers, Adriana Yates | | | |
| 24 | Beatrice Berg, Anne Hattok, Gerald New, Leona Sanford | | | |
| 25 | Jake Gesling | | | |
| 26 | Matt Higginbotham, Alexandra Christofferson | | | |
| 27 | Allison Hancock | | | |
| 28 | Abby Hattok, Scott Hattok, Dave Hendrix, Bill McCollum, Cody Morlan | | | |
| 29 | Samantha Hendren, Anthony McNeill, Rick Sanders | | | |
| 30 | Michael Burkett, Helen Pepper, John Raines, Verna Raines, Dave Thompson | | | |
| 31 | Brooke Frederick, Dylan Kinnear, Clifford Nelson, Virginia Schalipp, Charles Smith | | | |



A Christmas blessing

May you have the Spirit of Christmas, which is Peace,
The Gladness of Christmas, which is Hope,
The Heart of Christmas, which is Love,
The Gift of Christmas, which is Christ.

—Ada Hendricks



One of Santa's reindeer, Linda Martin, visits with Homestead resident and church member, Wilda Lynn.

Caught in the act!



Pastor Kevin donates blood at the December 14th Blood Drive in Fellowship Hall.

Check Out This Important Information!

- ◆ **End of Year Note from your Financial Secretary** Please take into consideration the holiday office hours when turning in your end of year pledges. The church office will be closed on Monday, December 27th and will close at noon on Friday, December 31st. Thank you, Teresa Hicks

Donations Needed for Our Children's Ministry

- ◇ Cardboard Wrapping Paper Tubes (empty)
- ◇ **To Borrow:**
The Princess Diaries DVD (for 1/23/11)
Bicycle Helmet (for 2/13/11)
Binoculars (for 2/27/11)

These items may be dropped off at the Church Office.

◆ Flower Chart

The 2011 Flower Chart is available for sign up in the church office on the bulletin board. This is a great way to honor birthdays, anniversaries or to remember someone who has passed away. Please indicate on the chart who the flowers are for, who they are given by, and whether you wish to provide a real arrangement or use one of the church's silk arrangements.

- ◆ Have you thought about joining a choir? Any time is a great time! But, maybe the beginning of a new year is the right time for you to serve the Lord by being a part of our church's music ministry. Our music ministry includes vocal choirs for children age four through adults. Our handbell and choirchime choirs are for those fourth grade through adults. If you would like more information about our music ministry, please contact Cindy White, the Director of Music, at the church at 682-5374.

Can you think about both Advent and Lent???

Sandy Simmons, ssimmons7@kc.rr.com



It's that time already! We are compiling a list of 'writers' for the **2011 Lenten Devotional**. This will be our 49th annual book!

Please let me know if you are willing to write a short (not a

word over 370 words!) devotion. This year's theme is "God Moments". Pastor Kevin shared several "God moments" during his first sermon, and all of us have certainly had some of those moments too. You have a LOT of flexibility within that theme to share your thoughts with others in the congregation!

As you know, the Lenten Devotion Booklet (in the

format of The Upper Room daily devotional) is always inspirational, and warmly received by everyone.

Please prayerfully consider this...and **let me know if you are willing to write this year**. I can email you the guidelines or print you a copy and also provide you with an example if you are new to FUMC and did not get a copy of the booklet last year.

Your final devotion will be turned in later in January, but this is a good time to begin thinking about what you want to share.

Thanks very much!

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A church of the ages serving the present
age by making disciples for the
transformation of the world!

We're on the web!
leavenworthfirst.org



Here's our choir rehearsal schedule for Christmas Eve. Be sure to cut this out and put it on your refrigerator. Many thanks to everyone who gives of their time and talents, all year long, to serve the Lord through music in our church!

Christmas Eve: Rehearsals for the 5:30 pm service

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| 4:30 pm | Celebration | Sanctuary |
| 4:45 pm | Genesis Chimers | Sanctuary |
| 5:10 pm | Kids Praise Choir | Choir Room |
| 5:10 pm | Cherub Choir | Fellowship Hall |

Christmas Eve: Rehearsals for the 8:00 pm service

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| 6:50 pm | Wesley Ringers | Sanctuary |
| 7:05 pm | Youth Bell Choir | Sanctuary |
| 7:15 pm | Sanctuary Choir | Choir Room |
| 7:30 pm | Young Christian Singers | Fellowship Hall |

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| Rev. Kevin Hopkins | Rev. Gary D. Harms | Cindy White | Nancy Shade | Mollie Foster | Amy S. Brandt |
| Senior Pastor | Associate Pastor | Director of Worship Arts | Coordinator of Children's Ministry | Director of Youth Ministry | Administrative Assistant |