

Order of Worship

January 3, 2010

Epiphany Sunday

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*Gathering

The people gather and informally greet one another in the name of Christ

Welcome Everyone! *We are delighted to have you worship with us. If you are visiting with us for the first time the ushers have a gift for you. As the registration book is passed during the service, please give us your name, address, phone number and email address. Please contact the pastor if you would like to become a member of First Church.*

Chimes

The people are seated in preparation for worship.

Welcome, Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Prelude

Bringing in the light.

Acolytes

*Call to Worship

“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”

#204 (UMH)

*Opening Prayer

“Epiphany”

#255 (UMH)

*Opening Hymn

“The First Noel”

#245 (UMH)

Children’s Time

Special Music

“One Small Child”

Chancel Choir

Prayers of the People

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Carol Sing

Reading

Matthew 2: 1-12

Sermon

“Pastor White Meets the Wise Men”

Rev. White

Invitation, Confession, and Pardon

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

#895 (UMH)

Communion

Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. If you prefer to be served in your seat, let the usher know. Communion is received by intinction. Gluten free wafers are available from your server.

*Hymn

“We Three Kings”

#254 (UMH)

**If anyone desires to unite in membership during this service, they are invited to join the pastor and worship leader at the altar during this hymn.*

Carrying the Light of Christ into the world

Acolytes

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

Serving in Worship this week:

Worship Leaders

8:30 – Nick Fisher ♦ 11:00 – Nick Fisher

Sermon

Rev. Will White

Lectors

8:30 – Isabella Dicken-Bowman ♦ 11:00 – Robby Baccary

Acolytes

8:30 – Bailey Disque & Rachel Cavanagh ♦

11:00 – Patrick Wilfong & Seth Stanley

Communion Helpers

8:30 – Alan & Ellen Cavanagh ♦ 11:00 – Bob & Jill Johnson

Upcoming Events To Make Note Of

Blood Drive January 5 noon to 6:00 pm

SPRC Meeting January 5 at 7:00 pm

Bible Study with Pastor Will January 6 at 6:00 pm

Pancake Breakfast January 9, 7:00 am to noon

Confirmation begins Sunday, January 17th at 9:45 am

Confirmation Retreat January 29 & 30

Serving in Worship Next Week Sunday, January 10

Lectors: 8:30 Shelly Lee
11:00 Jeff Smelser
Flowers: available
Acolytes: 8:30 Luke Grzywacz & Ben White
11:00 Sami Day & Jacob Torian

Church Staff

Will White, Pastor	Home – 662-4706	email: pastorwill@fumcwinchester.org
Mary Vorous, Youth Director	Home – 678-4014	email: mvorous@fumcwinchester.org
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Jennifer White, Treasurer		
Esther Dockeney, Custodian		
Deborah MacKnight, Preschool Director	Preschool Office	665-1696

Music Ministry

Wayne Corbett, Music Director & Organist
Melinda Russell, Hand Bell Choir Director
Gary Fisher, Choir Director
Wayne Corbett & Melinda Russell Children's Choir Directors

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 3, 2009



Mission Statement

“God is calling us to grow in Christ as Christ grows in us through discipleship, service, unity and love.”

Downtown Campus/Mailing Address
308 North Braddock Street
Winchester, Virginia 22601

Apple Pie Ridge Campus
Located on Apple Pie Ridge Road
Across from the elementary school

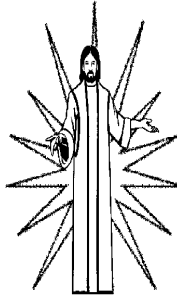
Phone: 540-662-3151 – Fax: 540-662-1462
Web Page: www.fumcwinchester.org

The Sasser Family, The Shepard Family.



Please remember the following members in your prayers:

Bonnie Keplinger, Doris & Ray Harding, Rose Patton, Hilda Patton, Velma Ritenour, Elsie Ramey, Pearl Gaines, Ann Hoffman, Edith Anderson, Robert Spaid, Carole Lineberg, Polly McIntire, Our church and church leaders, Hazel Starke, The Slonaker Family, Barbe Marlin, Kathy Dunn, Richard Swisher, Madge Fries & Helen Abshire, Ed Grove, Albert & Jean Elgin, Susan Cain, Susan Horton, Faye Weidig, Betty Dunn, Pat Shepard.



Please remember to add the following friends and family in your prayers:

Don Smallwood, Janice Dickerson, Lois Hoffman, Bill Morris, Dessie Taylor, Gary Houck, Jennifer Carper, Paul Carper, Shirley Miller, Kim Bennington, Ellen Suite's parents, Ralph Miller, Jeanette Shickle, Lorraine Vann, Rebecca Brennan, Ruby Boyd, Ian Eckert, Sarah Kingery, R. C. Simmons, Leo & Katie Feeley, Wesley & Valerie Robey, Jennifer Lewis' brother Harry, Our Military, Alexandra Combs, Dick Potter, Fran Ricketts, Jim Baccary, Doug Sasser, Becky Ebert, Kimberly Waring.

Offering Envelopes

There has been an unseen delay from the company we order our offering envelopes. We have been in touch with the company and they should be shipped shortly. As soon as we receive them they will be available to pick up. Keep an eye on the bulletin for information.

Thank you,
The Finance Committee

Happy Birthday to Madge Fries & Pearl Gaines! If you would like to send a card to them, their addresses are:

Madge Fries	Pearl Gaines
828 National Ave.	2668 Limestone Court
Winchester, VA 22601	Winchester, VA 22601

A BIG thank you to the Boy Scouts for the wonderful painting job they did in the kitchen. Make a trip to the church kitchen and take a look at the beautiful job they did!

Thank you,
The Trustees of First Church

The rosebud is in celebration of the birth of Evaline Joy Stein born on December 30, 2009 weighing 6 lbs 9 oz. She is the daughter of Adam & Devon Stein and the sister to Jackson Stein.

Offerings to God

	Received	52 Wk Avg.
General Fund – Dec. 24 & 27	\$9,9369.00	\$ 6,382.95
Year to Date	\$331,913.78	
APR Property – Dec. 24 & 27	\$00.00	
Year to Date	\$9,115.36	
Hunger Offering	\$214.05	
Year to Date	\$11,188.64	
Capital Improvements – Dec. 24 & 27	\$1,783.00	
Project To Date	\$19,889.35	\$ 100,000.00*
*Maximum Line of Credit Available		
Actual expenditures to date:		
Air Conditioning	\$54,036.00	
Plumbing	\$9,466.00	
Electrical	\$1,712.00	
Ridge Parsonage	\$18,214.00	
Pebblebrook Parsonage	\$2,083.00	
Capital Expenditures	\$12,000.00	Principal Reduction \longrightarrow \$14,433.00
Total	\$97,511.00	New balance \longrightarrow \$83,077.00

Donations toward these capital improvements can be made by indicating Capital Improvements on your check or envelope.

Worshiping God
Last Sunday

Sunday School	58
8:30 a.m.	76
11:00 a.m.	91

Offering Envelopes

The Finance Committee would like to ask everyone who has a booklet of FUMC offering envelopes to please use them. Using the offering envelopes greatly helps our offering counters on Monday morning and our Finance Secretary insure that donations from members of our congregation are properly recorded. If you need offering envelopes or have questions about their use please contact Sandy Burkhardt or anyone on the Finance Committee.

Dates & Times January 3–January 10, 2009

Today 8:30 am Worship Service
 9:45 am Sunday School & Children’s Choir
 11:00 am Worship Service
 No Sunday Evening Youth

Tuesday noon Red Cross Blood Drive
 7:00 pm SPRC Meeting

Wednesday 4:00 pm Bulletin Deadline
 5:15 pm 3-F Dinner
 6:00 pm Bible Study with Pastor Will
 6:00 pm Hand Bell Choir
 6:00 pm Youth Worship Team
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Saturday 7:00 am Pancake Breakfast
 8:00 am United Methodist Men’s Meeting

Jan. 10 8:30 am Worship Service
 9:45 am Sunday School & Children’s Choir
 9:45 am Background checks done in the church office.
 11:00 am Worship Service
 No Sunday Evening Youth

The staff of First United Methodist would like to thank the congregation for the Staff Love Offering given for Christmas. Your generosity was greatly appreciated.

Blessings,

Pastor Will, Mary Vorous, Kristen Grzywacz, Queenie Dockeney, Jennifer White, Wayne Corbett, Gary Fisher, Melinda Russell



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

GET ON BOARD!



JANUARY 3, 2009



SURVEY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

In January, Rev. White and Bobby Dick will be teaching a Survey of the New Testament course after the 3F dinners beginning Jan. 6th from 6-7pm. Enroll in the class by calling the church office and speaking with Rev. White.



**Blood Drive
Tuesday, January 5
Noon—6:00 pm
First United
Methodist Church**

Schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-GIVE LIFE or visit

www.redcrosslife.org

What a wonderful way to start the New Year by donating blood!

Blood donated at this drive will be used to help hospital patients throughout the region. For eligibility questions call 1-800-542-5663.



Confirmation

Pastor White, Mary Vorous, and others will be teaching Confirmation Classes this winter and spring. Confirmation Class is for young people who are at least sixth grade age. The class will be taught on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour beginning January 17, 2010.

Beginning in January of 2010 we will have a children’s nursery available during both 8:30 am and 11:00 am services. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help in the nursery please contact Melissa Barker at 722-2342.



Sunday Jan. 3rd, 2010

No Youth Tonight, continue to enjoy your families and friends on your school break.

We will get back into our regular youth schedule Jan.10th Sunday evening from 4:30-6:30.



Heads up! Jan. 10th is our next “TOP” outing to the Elms and Budget to serve meals. Please meet in the kitchen after the Sunday school class. Helpers are needed so please sign up on the youth board downstairs.

Confirmation classes will start on Sunday the 17th and will be held during the Sunday school hour up in the confirmation room upstairs.



Parent Notice

For those that help out with youth or children in our church. We will have a notary in the church office on Jan. 10th and Jan. 24th during the Sunday school hour so you may get your background check done for our safe sanctuary policy.

As you may be aware, Susan Horton a member of our church is in the hospital in Chicago, Ill. If you would like to send her a card or note, her address is...**Susan Horton Pannell
Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago
345 East Superior Street
7th Floor, Room 745
Chicago, Ill 60611**



“TOP” program has started up for the Winter months. As mentioned before all are welcome to come out and help or make a donation.

Every month I will have a sign up sheet for those that want to come with us to the streets of Winchester and help serve those less fortunate than ourselves. The sheet will be down in the youth hallway or you may contact me personally.

I will also have a sign up sheet for donations of specific foods we will need or even monetary help to buy the food we serve. We have also found the need for toiletries and clothing. If you are interested in donating any of these items let me know and I will give you more details.

Here are the dates we have set up throughout the Winter:

Jan. 10th

Feb. 21st

March 14th

April 11th

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to give me a call.

Blessings, *Mary*



Servant Project

Please Note: The hospital does not call the church when a congregational member is hospitalized. If you or a family member is hospitalized, please contact the church office at 662-3151, or Pastor Will 662-4706.

Church membership is open to any and all who seek the presence of God in their lives. Baptism is a requirement for membership. If you have not been baptized, please contact Pastor White to schedule a personal pre-baptism counseling session. If you have been baptized in any denomination, you are free to join whenever your heart is called to do so.

Persons may become members of the United Methodist Church by:

- Vows and profession of faith;
- Transfer from another United Methodist Church;
- Transfer from another body of the Christian Church;
- The renewal of vows if they have lapsed;
- Affiliate transfer if they are Methodists and will be in town a short while;
- Associate transfer if they belong to another denomination and are in town for a short while.

Profession of Faith includes:

- Affirming your baptismal vows;
- Commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord;
- Accepting the Old and New Testaments as normative for faith and practice;
- Commitment to live the Christian life and remain a faithful member of Christ's Holy Church through your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and witness.

If you would like to join our church, please do one of the following:

- Indicate "Desire to join" when filling out the pew pad during the worship Service
- Call or email to discuss your interest with Pastor White in the church office at (540)-662-3151 or pastorwill@fumcwinchester.org.

Once you are ready to make your commitment, please come forward during the last hymn in the worship service. You will also need to fill out a membership form for the church's record prior to or after the service at which you join.