

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Second Sunday After Christmas

January 3, 2021, 10:00AM

PRELUDE

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: God has given us a new year and a new day. One more day in the land of the living!
- P: We thank God for another day, another year.
- L: Yesterday, last year, gone, like dust in the wind. Today is a new beginning.
- P: We thank God for another chance.
- L: God lets the past be the past. Today, and every day, we get a fresh, new page to write our testimony on.
- P: We thank God for another blessing.
- L: We repent. God forgives. That's all there is to it. God's love is so awesome!
- P: We thank God for being better to us than we've been to ourselves.
- L: God's blessings are continually poured from the windows of heaven upon us -- so many that we cannot count them.
- P: We're gonna live every day of this new year like we know that we're blessed, 'cause we are!

*OPENING HYMN

400 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, you have spared us to see the beginning of another year. We thank you for bringing us through the storms of last year. We thank you for the hope you offer us as we face the days ahead. We trust in your love and mercy to carry us through. Whether we are able to stand among your children this time next year is totally in your hands. Your love and mercy will always sustain our lives. Today, we give you thanks and praise as we remember the past and face the future. Give us new eyes to see and new hearts to listen and obey. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

JOYS CONCERNS PRAYERS

In Our Prayers...

Burt & Carol Hersom

Lincoln Coakley

-(grandson of Joann Coakley)

Irene Goff

Carol Ensley

Steve & Lynne Farnsworth

Deb Nissen

-(sister-in-law of Deb Wickman)

*The loved ones of those who passed away, including:

Mae Stevens

*Those who have been hospitalized or are in long term care facilities

*Hospital & nursing/assisted care facility staff, essential workers, & our military members.

*All individual prayer requests will be listed for 6 weeks. At which time they will be removed from the list. If you wish for a name to remain, be removed, or to be put back on the list, contact the church office at 712-852-2154.
Thank You!

*SCRIPTURE READINGS 2 Timothy 3:14-17

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

MESSAGE OF LIFE Hojin Shin Back to the Word

*CLOSING HYMN

600 Wonderful Words of Life

*BLESSING

*SONG OF SENDING FORTH 2173 Shine, Jesus, Shine

POSTLUDE

God is Good!

All Worship Services are currently online

Three ways to Livestream the Worship Service:

Search for Emmetsburg First UMC on YouTube www.facebook.com/EmmetsburgFUMC/zoom.us/j/7128522154

*Contact the church for the password

#400 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

- 1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

 Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.

 Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.
- 2. Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

 Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
- 3. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
 Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

600 "Wonderful Words of Life"

1. Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life; let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life; words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty. *Refrain*Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

Beautiful words of life.

- 2. Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life; sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life; all so freely given, wooing us to heaven. *Refrain*
- 3. Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life; offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life; Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever. *Refrain*

2173 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

- 1. Lord, the light of your love is shining
 In the midst of the darkness, shining
 Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us
 Set us free by the truth you now bring us
 Shine on me, shine on me
 Refrain
 Shine, Jesus, shine
 Fill this land with the Father's glory
 Blaze, Spirit, blaze
 Set our hearts on fire
 Flow, river, flow
 Flood the nations with grace and mercy
 Send forth your word
 Lord, and let there be light
- 2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence From the shadows into your radiance By the blood I may enter your brightness Search me, try me, consume all my darkness Shine on me, shine on me *Refrain*
- 3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness
 So our faces display your likeness
 Ever changing from glory to glory
 Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
 Shine on me, shine on me

Birthdays...

- Norma Shaffer George Tonderum
- Cindy Magee David Fog 4
- 6

Susan Emborck Dean Simonsen

- Maureen Horsley
- Gerard Ruiz Beckam Shirk

Anniversaries...

Howard & Rosie Argabright

January Liturgists

1/3 Amber Embrock

1/10 Somer Hudson

1/17 Lex Kassel

1/24 TBA

1/31 Kyle Kogel

Empowering EFUMC Ministry

12/27/2020

General Fund \$ 3,090.00

Utica Church 720.00

Building Fund \$ 5,000.00

Total \$ 8,810.00



