

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, January 21

MONDAY, January 22

6:30 PM - Small Group Gathering (at Parsonage)

TUESDAY, January 23

6:00 PM - PPSR Committee Meeting (in Pastor's Office)

6:30 PM - Women's Prayer Group (Upstairs Chapel)

WEDNESDAY, January 24

2:30 PM - Nominations Committee (Upstairs Chapel)

- **NO** Choir Practice

THURSDAY, January 25

7:00 PM - Al-Anon (Fellowship Hall)

SUNDAY, January 28

8:30 AM - Early Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

11:00 AM - Worship Service

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**RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS**

**January 14, 2018**

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| 8:30 Early Service ..... | 17 | Current Exp.....        | \$ 2,500.50  |
| 11:00 AM Service .....   | 35 | Connectional Appt. .... | <u>99.00</u> |
| S.S. Attendance.....     | 18 |                         | \$ 2,599.50  |

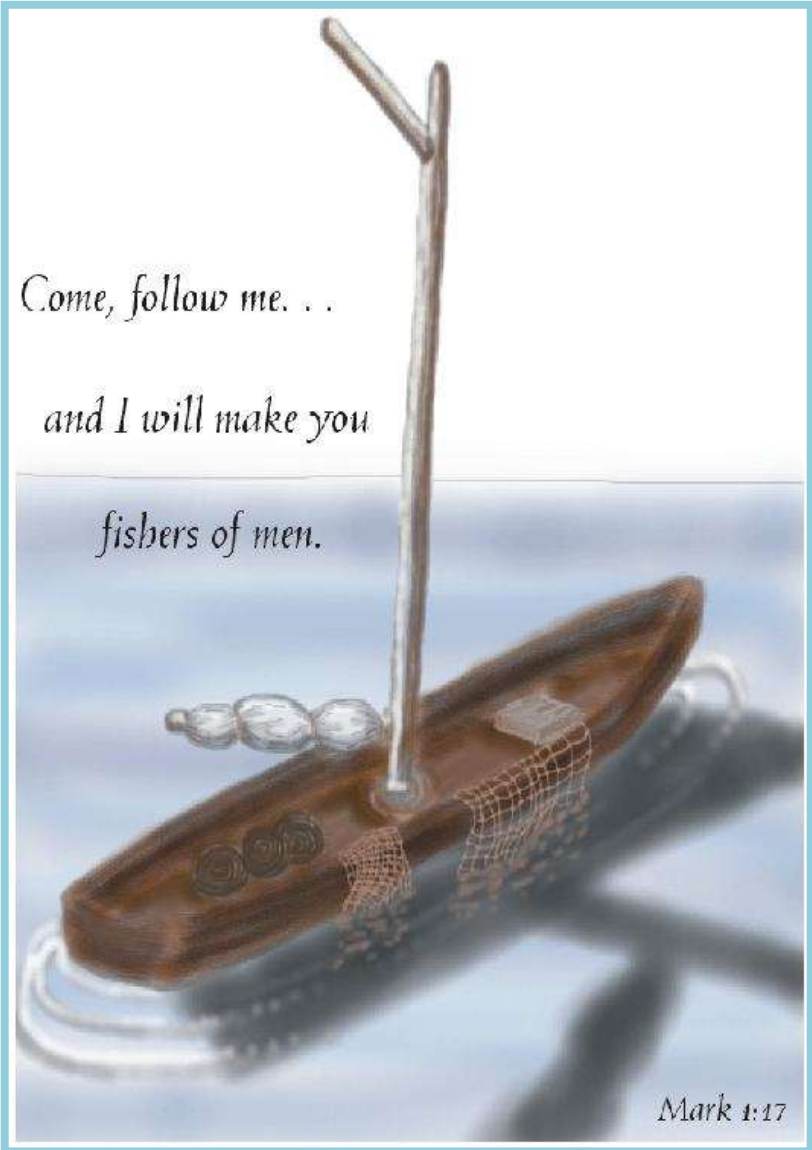
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| Weekly Avg..... | 58 | Sunday School Avg ..... | 18 |
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| Bldg. & Repair .....      | 193.50 | Renovation Phase II ..... | 30.00  |
| Initial Offering .....    | 63.00  | Stop Hunger .....         | 100.00 |
| Missions on the Move..... | 20.00  | Human Relations.....      | 5.00   |

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| 2018 Connectional Apportionment Asking - \$21,688<br>Amount received as of 1/14/2018 - \$ 299.00 (.014%)<br>Amount still due Conference - \$21,389 |
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| Renovation Fund Phase II Loan - \$60,000<br>Amount still due Credit Union 12/31/2017 - \$43,997.01 |
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**NOTE:** There are bowls, plates and containers left on the kitchen counter from the Advent Dinner. Check and claim yours!



*January 21, 2018*  
*8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.*

# First United Methodist Church

*"Growing, Loving & Serving in Christ's Name"*

**Rev. Jerrad R. Peterman, Pastor**  
**Lori A. Klingensmith, Choir Director**

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Office: 724-845-8761

**8:30 a.m.**

**Jo Ellen Stewart, Reader**

**Marilyn Oldfield, Pianist**  
**Gail E. Varine, Organist**

LFUMC251@comcast.net

Pastor's Cell: 724-833-3247

**11:00 a.m.**

**Joanne Gibson, Reader**

*As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.*

- **PRAYER REQUEST CARDS** are in the pew racks and will be collected during the opening hymn.
- The **NURSERY** is available upstairs in the Educational Building for parents who feel the need to take their children there.
- **ACTIVITY BAGS** are available in the Overflow Area for those children who wish to remain in the service.
- **GUESTS** – Please fill out a visitor's card from the pew racks and place it in the offering plate so we may have a record of your visit. We hope you will join us again.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Ps. 62 & Mark 1)

L: Jesus says, "Now is the time!"

**P: Startle us, God, from our busyness and routines. Show us how very close your Kingdom is.**

L: Jesus says, "God's kingdom is at hand!"

**P: Deliver us, God, from faith in our own strength. Free us from the traps of violence, dishonesty, and greed.**

L: Jesus says, "Receive the good news from God!"

**P: Embolden us, God, to trust you anew. For we are as fragile as breath, and draw our strength from your mercy and compassion.**

◇❖ **OPENING PRAISE** "Shine, Jesus Shine"

❖ **OPENING PRAYER** (in unison) (Jonah 3, Ps 62, Mark 1)

Loving God, in this season of Epiphany, your kingdom has drawn close— so close we can almost touch it. Help us see that we already live under your rule of peace. May our worship today draw us closer to you and to one another. When we measure greatness by status and success, you challenge us to find true greatness in following Jesus. You call, and like Jonah, we often run away in our unwillingness to preach mercy to others. You call, and like the disciples, we often rush after you, only to falter

and fall away when the shadows deepen. Yet your strength and kindness never falter, even for the resistant Jonah or the enthusiastic fishermen. And your strength and kindness never abandon us. Loving God, it is you we worship this day. Amen

FIRST READING Jonah 3:1-5, 10 page 801

◇ **CHILDREN'S MOMENT** Courtney Riffer

MORNING PRAYER (and The Lord's Prayer in unison)

◇ **ANTHEM** "The Potter's Hand"

## PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

◇ **HYMN** "Jesus Calls Us" #398

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 1:14-20 page 867

SERIES: Jesus, Man of Mystery

MESSAGE: **"An Urgent Mission"**

◇ **RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS** Psalm 96:7-8

◇ **OFFERTORY**

◇❖ **DOXOLOGY** #95

◇❖ **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

❖ **HYMN** "Lord of the Dance" #261

❖ **BENEDICTION**

❖ **COMMUNITY BLESSING** "Go Tell It on the Mountain" #251

POSTLUDE

❖ Congregation please stand, if able ~ ◇ Denotes 11:00am service only

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Isabel Coyle by her husband Dave Coyle. It will be 5 years on January 26<sup>th</sup> that she went to her Lord.

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Memorials were given to Current Expenses in loving memory of:

✠ **Bob Schall & Martha Miskinis**  
by Gloria Womer

A memorial was given to the Missions on the Move in loving memory of:

✠ **Martha Miskinis**  
by Dave Sherbondy