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JANUARY 8, 2017
1ST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
9AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE IN BRANHAM HALL
9am Contemporary Worship Service in Branham Hall  
January 8, 2017 – 1st Sunday after the Epiphany

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Serving Today:
Nursery Babies (6weeks-2years): Amiee Simpson, Need a volunteer
Nursery Toddlers (3-4 years): Need a volunteer
Nursery Sunday School Hour: Need a volunteer
Serving in Children’s Church: Ashley McGill
Connection Table: Karon Simpson
Greeters: Brandon Smith & Jai Otwell
Kid Quest Snack Volunteers: 1/11 Need volunteers
MOM Volunteers: 1/11 Shelia Tolleson, Ann Smith, Sandra Dickerson
Backpack Workers: 1/13 Beth Brown & Joy Witcher
Video Volunteer: Sharon Kinsey
Sound: Walter Hatchett

Serving Next Week
Nursery Babies (6weeks-2years): Amiee Simpson, Need a volunteer
Nursery Toddlers (3-4 years): Need a volunteer
Nursery Sunday School Hour: Need a volunteer
Serving in Children’s Church: Need a volunteer
Connection Table: Barry Williams
Greeters: Dobby & Amy Harris
Kid Quest Snack Volunteers: 1/18 Need volunteers
MOM Volunteers: 1/18 Lisa Travis & Karon Simpson
Backpack Workers: 1/20 Sheila & Howell Sanders
Video Volunteer: Sharon Kinsey
Sound:

Rev. Gerald Varner’s message next week, January 15, 2017:
“Your Invitation to the Party” John 1:29-42
JANUARY 8, 2017
1ST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
11AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE IN SANCTUARY
11am Traditional Worship Service in Sanctuary
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GATHERING MUSIC
PRELUDE Another Year is Dawning Martha Greer & Lynn Hodges
CALL TO WORSHIP Holy and Anointed One Chancel Choir
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Troy Walburn
*HYMN For the Healing of the Nations No. 428
PRAYER
THE LORD’S PRAYER No. 895
HYMN Fairest Lord Jesus No. 189
OFFERTORY Living for Jesus Martha Greer & Lynn Hodges
*DOXOLOGY No. 95
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Gerald Varner
*APOSTLE’S CREED No. 881
ANTHEM Chancel Choir
SERMON “Good News For A Troubled World” Rev. Gerald Varner
*HYMN This Is My Body No. 437
BENEDICTION

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Nursery Babies (6weeks-2years):
Amiee Simpson and need a volunteer
Nursery Toddlers (3-4 years): need a volunteer
Nursery Sunday School Hour: need a volunteer
Serving in Children’s Church: Jan Stevens
Acolytes: Will & Olivia McBride
Ushers: Bill Miller, Donnie Rogers, Jimmy Rogers, Bill Miller
Connection Table: Danny & Sandra Rush
Kid Quest Snack Volunteers: 1/11 need volunteers
MOM Volunteers: 1/11 Shelia Tolleson, Ann Smith, Sandra Dickerson
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Nursery Babies (6weeks-2years):
Amiee Simpson and need a volunteer
Nursery Toddlers (3-4 years): need a volunteer
Nursery Sunday School Hour: need a volunteer
Serving in Children’s Church: Need a volunteer
Acolytes: to be announced
Ushers: Tommy Smith, Bill Flowers, Bill Travis, Joe Jones
Connection Table: Janis Parrish
Kid Quest Snack Volunteers: 1/18
MOM Volunteers: 1/18 Lisa Travis & Karon Simpson
Backpack Workers: 1/20 Sheila & Howell Sanders

Rev. Gerald Varner’s message next week, January 15, 2017:
“Your Invitation to the Party” John 1:29-42
5 Alive!

5 topics to add to/build vitality & life in a congregation/community

#1 5 things to know for healthy children’s ministry - Debby Fox
#2 Developing healthy church leaders Tom Davis/Phil Schroeder
#3 Responsiveness in your community Herzen Andone/Scott Parrish
#4 5 ways to develop a relationship with your pastor - David Naglee
#5 Cokesbury and Seedbed curriculum and resources

Online Sessions
The traditional training sessions for Trustees, Finance and other committees are available at http://www.umcdiscipleship.org/ View upcoming webinar schedules and search archived sessions that are relevant to you!

District Training
Today at
6:00pm at
Old Camp

Honduras Mission Trip
June 17-24, 2017

The church has full and partial scholarships for the trip. Applications for scholarships are available in the church office or online at http://www.bremen1st.org/.
The deadline for the application to be returned is February 5th.

The EDGE
(Every Day Giving Everything)

Brandon Smith is starting a support group for families effected by divorce. The first meeting will be Wednesday evening January 11, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Soul Mates Class room. This group has been formed to give single parents of any circumstance a place and time to visit with other parents who might be dealing with the same problems day-to-day and to help each other in times of need.

Joy Jones will be leading a Bible Study on the book of Exodus. This 12 week study will begin tomorrow morning at 9am in the Soul Mates Room.

The Disciple New Testament Bible Study begins on Jan. 12th from 6-7:15pm in the Soul Mates Room. This 12 week study will be taught by Dr. Barry Williams. The books are $15 each. You are welcome to join this study even if you weren’t part of the Old Testament Study.
**Calendar of Events**

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**Upcoming Events**

- Jan 15 – Non-Member Orientation 10am
- Jan 16 – Office Closed for MLK Holiday
- Jan 17 – Adult Fellowship 11:30am BH
- Jan 17 – Trustees Meeting 6:30pm f
- Jan 18 – Ad Council Mtg 6:30pm
- Jan 19 – Blood Drive 3-8pm BH
- Jan 21 – Ad Council Planning Session at Tanner Park Enclosed Pavillion 1 at 9am
- Jan 25 – UMM 7pm BH

**cCc Volunteer Day**

**January 12th 4:00-7pm**

Our church will be feeding families at cCc this Thursday. Joy Witcher needs volunteers to commit to make chili using the UMW recipe. If you can cook or serve, please let Joy know 770-337-7670.

All Committee Chairpersons and group leaders are expected to attend the **Ad Council Planning Session** on Jan 21st at Tanner Park from 9am to noon. If you cannot attend, please send a committee member to represent your group. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Parking will be covered. Please RSVP to the church office and let us know if you have any events to put on the 2017 Church Calendar. This calendar will be distributed at the planning session.

Our Children’s Ministry is growing by leaps and bounds! Our nursery is overflowing. We have 30 – 40 children in Children’s Church on Sunday morning and 60-70 enrolled in our Kid Quest Outreach on Wednesdays. In order to continue to offer dynamic programs for children, **we need volunteers**! Please volunteer once a month or once a quarter. Many hands make light work. You will be blessed!

Contact Leanna Mehan at 770-500-5541 or leannams1@gmail.com to get on her schedule.