

6th Sunday after the Epiphany

February 12, 2017 11:00 am

"God is Spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24)

Prelude

"Near to the Heart of God" (arr. Smith)

Sandy Griese

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: Happy are those who walk blamelessly before God.

P: Blessed are those who walk in God's ways.

L: Happy are those who seek God with pure hearts.

P: Blessed are those who take shelter in God's teachings.

L: Happy are those who come together in unity.

P: We come to worship the One who leads us in the ways of life. Amen.

*Opening Hymn "How Great Thou Art" UMH 77

Lighting of the Candles

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"Bless us, Holy One, and lead us in the ways that lead to life. Speak to us once more Your words of life, and feed us with spiritual food, that we may grow strong in faith and deep in loving kindness. Amen."

Blessings over the Prayer Shawls

Anthem "Colors of the Rainbow" & "Rat-a-tat-tat" Two year old & Preschool Sunday School Classes

Children's Message

Hymn Response "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" UMH 334

Prayer of Petition (in unison)

"Holy Spirit, guide us to walk in Your ways, and guard us against the powers that would draw us away from Your love. When we choose sides and forsake our bonds of unity, call us together and bind us with Your Spirit. Feed us with the milk and the solid food of Your grace so that our words and deeds bring life and faith to others. Amen."

*Please rise either in posture or in spirit.

Epistle Lesson

Gospel Reading

1 Corinthians

Matthew

3: 1-9

5: 21-37

Jay Lounsbury

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Faith

"'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

UMH 462

Message

"God Who Makes It Grow"

Rev. Wayne Chung

"Do not murder"-- we heard it. "Do not covet"-- we read it! Yet, Jesus teaches way different interpretation of God's laws. It's all about relationships. "Are you not mere infants now that you don't get along with others?" Where does the growth come from?

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

*Closing Hymn

"I Surrender All"

UMH 354

Sending Forth God's Light and Love

*Hymn Response

"Amen"

UMH 898

Postlude

"A Joyous Acclamation" (Lanist)

Sandy Griese

Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Lev. 19:1-2, 9-18

Psalm 119:33-40

1 Cor. 3:10-11, 16-23

Matthew 5:38-48

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Deloras Ward, Carole Butler & family following the death of Carole's mother, Joan Windland's sister Linda Hardy, Ken Reynolds, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Minerva Moreland, Carl Stallings, Sr., Laura Wise – sister of Donna Nestor, Diana Marshall – niece of Martha Wooldridge, Debbie Holloway's mother having surgery this week, Jack Dorsey, Kathy Wallace, Bill Fowler, Courtney Schultz, friend of the Distlers, Those who travel

Our Presence:	Worship Attendance Last Sunday	216
	Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday	65

Our Gifts: Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. *Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!*

Record of Giving (Funds Received by the Church)

	January-December 2016			
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %
General Fund	\$391,895	\$401,811	(\$9,916)	-2%
Missions Fund	\$24,829	\$23,000	\$1,829	8%
P&I Fund	\$27,782	\$24,500	\$3,282	13%
Building Fund	\$76,634	\$76,800	(\$166)	0%
Kitchen Fund	\$60,348	\$6,504	\$53,844	-
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal 20	Other 1	YTD Cereal 146	

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$112,911 as of December 31, 2016

Mortgage Loan Balance = \$511,947 as of December 31, 2016

Service:

Ministers

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Music Team

Custodian

Counters

Ushers

Altar Guild for February

Friendship Hour

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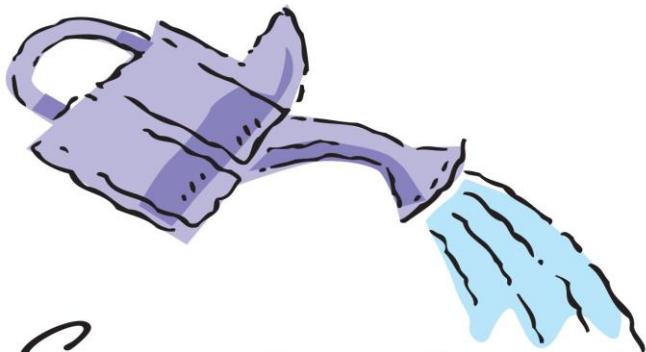
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 11:00 a.m. Worship Service



*So neither the one
 who plants nor the
 one who waters is
 anything, but only
 God, who makes
 things grow.*

1 Corinthians 3:7, NIV

Our Mission : "Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends. Love All; Serve All; Follow One!"

Our Motto : "Each One, Reach One!"