

Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany, Communion Sunday

**February 4, 2018 11:00 am**

*"God is spirit, and His worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24)*

**Prelude** "Amazing Grace" (Gaspard) Sandy Griese

**Welcome and announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

L: Call on the name of the Lord.

**P: God has called us by name.**

L: Lift your eyes and see.

**P: Christ is in this place.**

L: Know that God is near.

**P: The Spirit lives in each of us gathered here. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn** "God of the Ages" **UMH 698**

**Lighting of the Candles**

**\*Opening Prayer** (in unison)

**"Holy One, renew our strength this day. Lift us up on Your wings of love. Guide us to be Your people that all may know the power of Your love. Amen."**

**Anthem** "Just a Little Talk with Jesus" (arr. Pethel) Sanctuary Choir

**Children's Message**

**Hymn Response** "This Is the Day" **UMH 657**

**Prayer of Petition** (in unison)

**"Gracious God, as Jesus spent time with You in prayer, we come before You in prayer. Heal our hearts and spirits. Make us fully aware of all our blessings and responsibilities. Strengthen us that we may tell Your story and live in peace as Your people. Amen."**

**Hebrew Scripture** **Isaiah 40:21-31**

**Gospel Lesson** **Mark 1:29-39**

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

**P: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*\*Please rise either in posture or in spirit.*

**\*Hymn of Faith** "Sweet Hour of Prayer" **UMH 496**

**Message:** "Search for Jesus" Rev. Wayne Chung

Jesus heals many and the news spreads quickly. People want Jesus to stay with them. Jesus refuses and moves on. Jesus is always on the move. *"On your feet! Love renews our strength!"*

**Giving in Response to God's Love**

**Offertory** "Here In This Place" (arr. Lopez) Sanctuary Choir  
cellist – Laurel Gallaudet

**HOLY COMMUNION**

The Great Thanksgiving-The Lord's Prayer-Sharing of the Bread and Cup **UMH 15-16**  
**Communion Hymns: UMH 382 Have Thine Own Way, Lord 380 There's Within My Heart a Melody, 389 Freely, Freely, UMH 648 God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn** "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" **UMH 358**

**\*Sending Forth with God's Blessing**

**\*Hymn Response** "Amen" **UMH 898**

**Postlude** "Gigue" (Handel) Sandy Griese

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**Lection Reading for Following Sunday**

**2 Kings 2:1-12 Psalm 50:1-6 2 Cor. 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9**

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**OUR FAITH IN ACTION**

**Our Prayers:** Tim Gillikin – recovering from a fall, Jay Lounsbury – upcoming surgery, Ronny Cranford & family following the death of Ronny's mother, Linda Vann, Jane Bowman, Cheryl Castner's father – taken to rehab, her niece, and the Castner family, Jay Lounsbury's sister, Ann Curry, Helen McGill, Elizabeth Stinson, Bob & Van King, Tyler Madden, People in transition, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr, Those who travel, For the healing of the nation.

**Our Presence:**                      Worship Attendance Last Sunday                      175  
    Average Weekly Worship Attendance                      192

**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 2017			
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %
General Fund	\$392,507	\$370,750	\$21,757	6%
Missions Fund	\$29,227	\$23,000	\$6,227	27%
P&I Fund	\$19,734	\$18,000	\$1,734	10%
Building Fund	\$76,955	\$66,000	\$10,955	18%
Kitchen Fund	\$10,750	\$24,000	(\$13,250)	-55%
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal    27	Other    1	YTD Cereal	140

\*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$114,571/ Mortgage Loan Balance = \$344,360 as of December 31, 2017

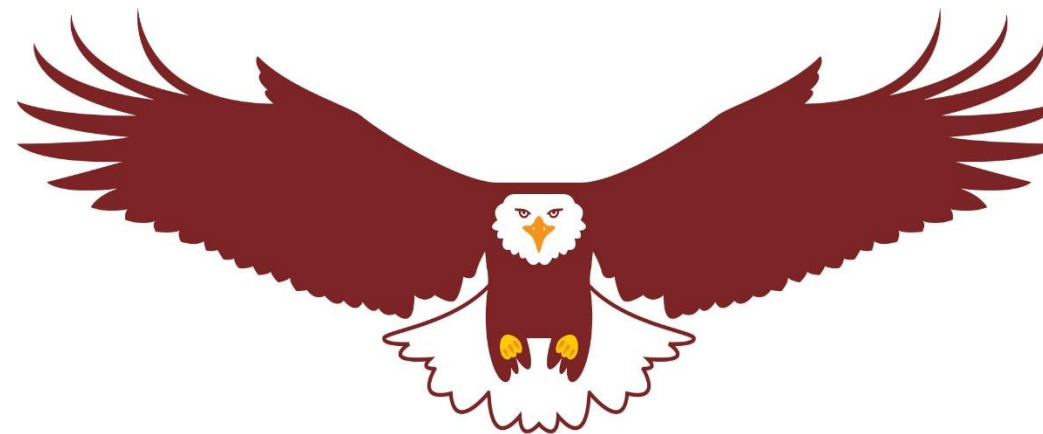
**Service:**

Ministers                      All Members and Volunteers at Friendship  
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 Ushers                      Richard Chaney & Wheeler Green  
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# FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, February 4, 2018  
 11:00 am Worship Service



Those who **hope** in the **LORD**  
 will **renew** their **strength**.  
**They will soar on wings like eagles.**

ISAIAH 40:31, NIV

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

**Our Motto:** “Each One, Reach One!”