

5th Sunday after the Epiphany, Communion

February 5, 2017 11:00 am

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

Prelude "The Lord's My Shepherd" (arr. Harris) Sandy Griese

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: We are blessed when we hunger for justice and thirst for reconciliation.

P: Our souls are nourished by God's hope and grace.

L: We are blessed when we grieve over the brokenness of the world,

P: choosing, as God does, to be with the weak and needy.

L: We are blessed when we become God's fools,

P: willing to do what is right and good, not what is easy. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** "Morning Has Broken" UMH 145

Lighting of the Candles

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"Light of the world, shine upon us, that we may glimpse Your wisdom this day. Fill us with Your compassion and grace, salt us with Your justice and peace, that we may spread Your peace and love into all corners of the earth. Amen."

Anthem "Do Lord, Remember Me" (arr. Mauldin) Sanctuary Choir

Children's Message

Hymn Response "This Little Light of Mine" UMH 585

Prayer of Petition (in unison)

"Dear God, teach us to walk in Your light. Let us hear again this morning Your call to share our bread with the hungry and our lives with those in need. Receive us once more into the warmth of Your light, that we may shine brightly with Your love. Amen."

Hebrew Scripture Isaiah 58: 1-12 Linda Thompson

Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12

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

P: Thanks be to God.

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

Hymn of Faith

"Spirit of the Living God"

UMH 393

Message

"Near to the Heart of God"

Rev. Wayne Chung

Israelites were proud of their practice of fasting. What is a fasting for? True religion cares. What does it look like to become a loving, and serving church worthy of the name of Christ?

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory

"Be Still and Know" (Johnson)

Sanctuary Choir

HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving – **The Lord's Prayer** – Sharing of the Bread and Cup UMH 15-16

Communion Hymns: UMH 618 Let Us Break Bread Together; 407 Close to Thee; 314

In the Garden; 347 Spirit Song

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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

***Closing Hymn** "God of Grace and God of Glory" UMH 577

Sending Forth God's Light and Love

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

Postlude "Psalm of Glory" (Wells) Sandy Griese

Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Deut. 30:15-20 Psalm 119:1-8 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Matthew 5:21-37

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: Carole Butler & family following the death of Carole's mother, Joan Windland's sister Linda Hardy, Ken Reynolds, Family and Friends of John Warman who passed away suddenly this week, Family and Friends of Jim Daniels who passed away on January 6, 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, Ove Kongsted – father of Debbie Holloway, Jack Dorsey, Kathy Wallace, Bill Fowler, Courtney Schultz, friend of the Distlers, Those who travel

*Today's altar flowers are presented by Donald & Shirley Trott
in celebration of their 65th wedding anniversary*

Our Presence:

Worship Attendance Last Sunday

260

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	35	Other	3	YTD Cereal	126

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

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

Service:

Ministers

Secretary

Music Team

Custodian

Counters

Ushers

Communion Stewards

Altar Guild for February

Friendship Hour

Stephen Ministry Coordinator

Pastor

All Members and Volunteers at Friendship

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Sandy Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee,

Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley

Jim Fowler

Will Fowler & Mary Kauffman

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Brenda Knopp, Doris McMichael, Bonnie Revell

Marge Lewis (301-855-6497)

Delilah Zone (Debbie Chaney)

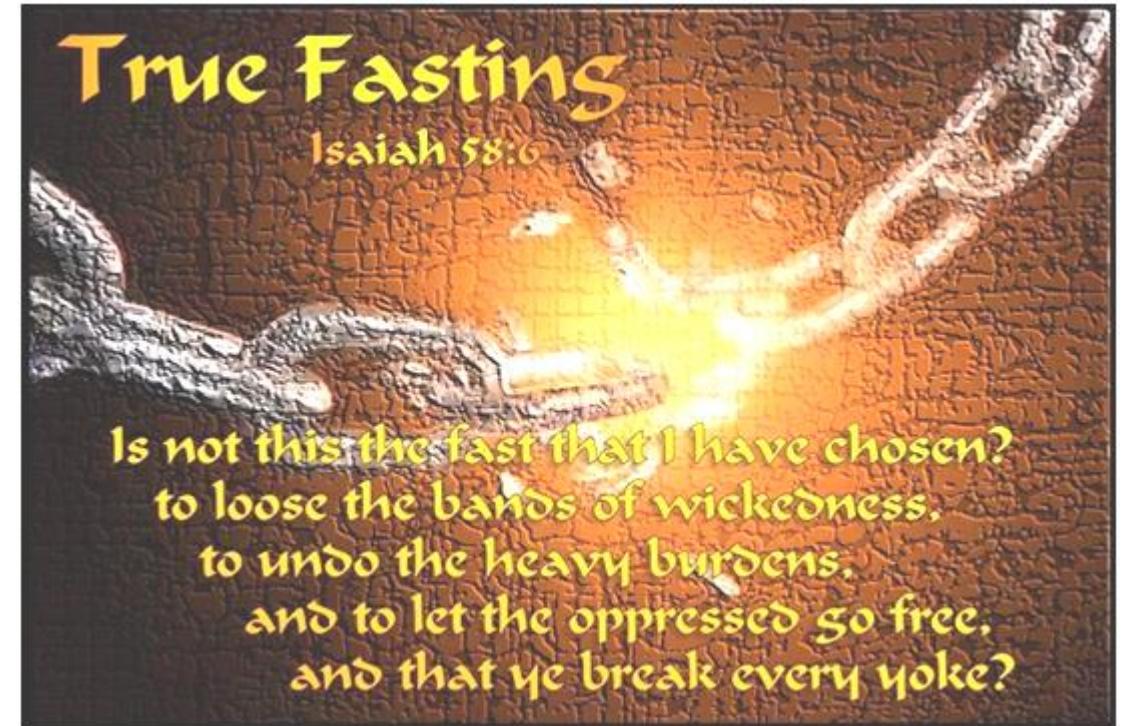
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11:00 a.m. Worship Service

**Our Mission**

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

Our Motto

: "Each One, Reach One!"