

Third Sunday After the Epiphany

January 21, 2018 11:00 am

“God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24)

Prelude “Bless the Lord” (arr. Gaspard) Sandy Griese

Welcome and announcements

***Call to Worship**

L: Gather this day in silence and hope.

P: We wait for God’s word for us.

L: Let your hearts and spirits be open.

P: God is our strength and salvation.

L: Listen for Christ's call to you.

P: Lord Jesus, where You lead me, I will go. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” **UMH 117**

Lighting of the Candles

***Opening Prayer** (in unison)

“O God, our light and our salvation, open our hearts to Your word today. As we hear the story of the call of the first disciples, make us ready to follow Jesus on whatever path He leads us. Teach us to wholly trust in You. In Jesus' name. Amen.”

Anthem “Brightest and Best” (arr. Kirchner) Voices In Praise

Thank you to our guest instrumentalists for joining us today. We appreciate you sharing your time and talents.

Children’s Message

Hymn Response “Something Beautiful” **UMH 394**

Prayer of Petition (in unison)

“Holy God, You have called us to be Your people to carry Your vision in this time and place. It is easier for us to remain bound to our habits. Know our fears and offer Your healing. Guide us to leave our comfortable ways and venture forward with Jesus. Amen.”

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

Epistle Lesson **1 Corinthians** **7:29-31** Megan Arnold

Gospel Lesson **Mark** **1:14-20** Charlotte Shineman

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

P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Hymn of Faith** “Jesus Calls Us” (vs. 1, 2, 4, 5) **UMH 398**

Message: “The Time Has Come” Rev. Wayne Chung

God's call is clear: *“Follow Me!”* The fishermen leave their nets, their father, their boat to follow Jesus at once. Life does not continue the same. It's time to rethink everything. *“The time is short. This world is passing.”*

Giving in Response to God’s Love

Offertory “Carry On” Holly Reynolds Lee

***Doxology** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” **UMH 94**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

***Closing Hymn** “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” **UMH 160**

***Sending Forth with God’s Blessing**

***Hymn Response** “Alleluia” **UMH 186**

Postlude “Brethren, We Have Met to Worship” (arr. Smith) Sandy Griese

Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Deut. 18:15-20 Psalm 111 1 Cor. 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28

*The flowers on the altar are given by Wheeler & Roberta Green
in celebration of their 66th wedding anniversary*

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	212
	Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday	54
	Average Weekly Worship Attendance	143

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 24	Other 0	YTD Cereal	68

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

Service:

Ministers	All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary	Bonnie Dean bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
Music Team	Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
Children & Youth Ministry Coord.	Courtney Eversfield cymc@friendshipmethodist.org
Custodian	Jim Fowler
Counters	Karen Boyd & Drew Venters
Usher(s)	Ray Wilkerson
Junior Usher	Ben Heyer
Acolytes	Seth & Rebecca Heyer
Altar Guild for January	Bonnie Revell (410-741-5268)
Friendship Hour	Delilah Zone (Debbie Chaney)
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Sunday, January 21, 2018

11:00 am Worship Service



The appointed
time has grown short...
the present form of

this
WORLD
is passing away.

1 Corinthians 7:29-31, NRSV

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

Our Motto: “Each One, Reach One!”