

Second Sunday After the Epiphany, Human Relations Day

January 14, 2018 11:00 am

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

Prelude “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (arr. Paxton) Sandy Griese

Welcome and announcements

***Call to Worship**

L: Come joyfully before the Lord!

P: God knows us and loves us!

L: Come prayerfully before the Lord!

P: God sees our concerns and our fears!

L: Come hopefully before the Lord!

P: Proclaim God’s love and forgiveness for all God’s people! Amen.

***Opening Hymn** “Victory in Jesus” **UMH 370**

Lighting of the Candles

***Opening Prayer** (in unison)

“Awesome God, You knew us before we were born. Open our hearts and our spirits today to praise Your name and to hear Your word for us. Show us Your love and power in this place. Help us renew our covenant with You and bless us with Your presence. Amen.”

Anthem “Let the Earth Resound with Praise!” (Martin) Sanctuary Choir

Children’s Message

Hymn Response “Freely, Freely” (v. 1) **UMH 389**

Prayer of Petition (in unison)

“Creator God, You know us better than we know ourselves. You understand our thoughts and wishes, our joys and struggles. You know our hearts' desire to serve You. Search us, know our hearts, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.”

Gospel Lesson **John 1:35-51** Bonnie Revell

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** “Just as I Am, Without One Plea” (vs. 1-4) **UMH 357**

Message: “Come and See” Rev. Wayne Chung
Philip invites Nathanael--"Come and see." Nathanael asks-- "How do You know me?" Jesus promises--"You will see greater things." What greater things? "Come and see" is how our story begins.

Giving in Response to God’s Love
Offertory “A Quiet Invitation” (Nix) Sanctuary Choir

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

Sharing of Joys & Concerns
Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

***Closing Hymn** “Blessed Assurance” **UMH 369**

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

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

Postlude “The Grateful Heart Rejoices” (Ritter) Sandy Griese

Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalm 62:5-12 1 Cor. 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

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*The flowers on the altar are given in loving memory of
Eldridge Wilkerson, Sr. by Martha Wooldridge & Family*

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: 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 143
 Sunday School Attendance Last Week 60
 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-November 2017			
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %
General Fund	\$345,497	\$333,905	\$11,592	3%
Missions Fund	\$26,356	\$20,389	\$5,967	29%
P&I Fund	\$15,246	\$16,500	(\$1,254)	-8%
Building Fund	\$67,010	\$60,500	\$6,510	11%
Kitchen Fund	\$8,050	\$22,000	(\$13,950)	-63%
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal 44	Other 0	YTD Cereal	44

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$111,871/ Mortgage Loan Balance = \$350,204 as of November 30, 2017

Service:

Ministers All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
 Secretary Bonnie Dean bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, January 14, 2018
 11:00 am Worship Service



He first found his own brother
 Simon and said to him,

**“We have found
 the Messiah.”**

John 1:41, ESV

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

Our Motto: “Each One, Reach One!”