

*Welcome to*  
**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
*Opening Doors with Christ, One Another, and Our Neighbors*  
*February 27, 2022*

*you*  
are the body



***“You are the Body: Seeing the Glory”***

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# FOUNDATION SERVICE ~ 8:30 AM

Prelude

*"Peace Like a River"*

Welcome

Call to Worship (Responsively)

Opening Hymn

*"When Morning Gilds the Skies" - No. 185*

Opening Prayer

Praise Chorus

*"Shine, Jesus Shine"*

Scripture Reading

*Luke 9: 28-36 (NRSV)*

Ministry of Music

*"As the Deer"*

Sermon

***"You are the Body: Seeing the Glory"***

Ministry of Music

*"I Feel the Spirit"*

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer (sins)

Offering & Announcements

Closing Hymn

*"Because He Lives" - No. 364*

Benediction

Postlude

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## LEADING IN WORSHIP

*Preaching*..... Pastor Dennis Keller

*Worship Leader* ..... Sarah Pugh

*Worship Team* ..... George Canonizado, Caleb Flick, Handbell Choir,

..... Sounds of Worship Choir

*Sound & Media* ..... Michael Garman, Zac Garner, Jason Kichline, Holly Kurten, Ken Rapp



# THE GATHERING SERVICE ~ 11:00 AM

Welcome

Praise and Worship  
*"Such an Awesome God"*  
*"Revelation Song"*  
*"Heart of Worship"*

Scripture Reading  
*Luke 9: 28-36 (NRSV)*

Sermon  
***"You are the Body: Seeing the Glory"***

Pastoral Prayer

Offering & Announcements

Praise and Worship  
*"Living Hope"*

Benediction

Postlude  
*"Peace Like a River" - George Canonizado*

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# ***“You are the Body: Seeing the Glory”***

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“Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.” (1 Corinthians 12:27)

“As we gaze on your kingly brightness,  
So our faces display your likeness;  
Ever changing from glory to glory,  
Mirrored here let our lives tell your story.  
Shine on me, shine on me.”  
 (“Shine, Jesus, Shine,” Graham Kendrick)

## 1. We see the glory of Jesus in **prayer**.

*Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white.* (Luke 9:28-29)

“If you establish a prayer routine, your life will be anything but routine. You will go places, do things, and meet people you have no business going to, doing, or meeting. You don’t need to seek opportunity. All you have to do is seek God. And if you seek God, opportunity will seek you.” (Mark Batterson, Draw the Circle, p. 19)

## 2. We see the glory of Jesus in **Scripture**.

*Suddenly they saw two men, **Moses and Elijah**, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.*  
(Luke 9:30-31)

*Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because **he had been talking with God**.* (Exodus 34:29)

*He said, “Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire **a sound of sheer silence**.* (1 Kings 19:11-12)

3. We see the glory of Jesus **in the midst of everyday life.**

*Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but **since they had stayed awake**, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. (Luke 9:32)*

4. We see the glory of Jesus **so that we may reflect it to others.**

*Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud.*

*Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; **listen to him!**” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen. (Luke 9:33-36)*

## Weekly Bible Readings

Week of February 27



***Sunday***

***“You are the Body: Seeing the Glory”***

Monday

2 Corinthians 5: 20b - 6:10

Tuesday

Matthew 6: 1-6

Wednesday

Matthew 6: 16-21

Thursday

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

Friday

Luke 4: 1-13

Saturday

Rest and Reflect



# First News First

# Weekly Edition

*Opening doors with Christ, one another and our neighbors*

## February 27, 2022

The **altar flowers** are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones, placed by Devon and Gary Betz.



### Lifelong Learner

Interested in taking a **first step** to grow in your faith? Try our **daily Bible reading plan**, which is customized to go along with our weekly sermons! Find it in this bulletin or on our church website, [fumchurch.com](http://fumchurch.com). Looking to add additional faithful **steps beyond** that? Consider these opportunities – newcomers are welcome to any group at any time!

- **Sunday School Enrichment** – The start time for all of these Sunday morning groups is **9:45 a.m.**
  - **Faith in Everyday Life** - Meets in room 207, targets 30-50somethings  
Contact: Jenell Paris at [iparis@messiah.edu](mailto:iparis@messiah.edu)  
A group focused on fellowship and friendship/mutual support in and outside the classroom. Class members share in leading reflections and discussions based on Scripture.
  - **Growing in Christ** – Hybrid (meets both on zoom and in-person in room 105), targets adults all ages/stages of faith  
Contact: Tina Eaton at [adultministry@fumchurch.com](mailto:adultministry@fumchurch.com)  
**Currently studying 1 Peter.** Join us as we walk through this short letter and discover the importance of our witness in this world. Drop in or contact Tina at [adultministry@fumchurch.com](mailto:adultministry@fumchurch.com) for the Zoom link.
  - **Christian Fellowship** – Meets in room B003, targets adults all ages/stages of faith  
Contact: Wayde Leister at [waydeleister@outlook.com](mailto:waydeleister@outlook.com)  
A caring group, eager to apply God’s Word to life’s challenges. Enjoys short-term Bible studies that challenge and inspire.
  - **Faithful Families** - Meets in room B005, targets parents  
Contact: Bob and Tracy Wertz at [wertzfive@gmail.com](mailto:wertzfive@gmail.com)  
An active group of parents with older school-aged and young adult children who study Scripture, encourage one another, and celebrate life together in and out of the classroom.
  - **Helping Hands** - Meets in room B004, targets primarily 60+  
Contact: Bob Wertz, Sr. at [robert\\_wertz@plantsitelogistics.com](mailto:robert_wertz@plantsitelogistics.com)  
A group of active seniors who focus on studies which provide encouragement and instruction on faithful living, and who enjoy fellowship activities together outside of class.
  - **Guyer Class** - Meets in room 123, targets primarily 70+  
Contact: Tina Eaton at [adultministry@fumchurch.com](mailto:adultministry@fumchurch.com)  
A lecture-based class, taught by a variety of church leaders, is comprised of a group of elders in the church who use the United Methodist quarterly adult Bible lessons.
- **Additional Learning/Growth Opportunities**
  - **Thursday Bible Study** – “Free from Bondage God's Way” is a 6-week study of Galatians/Ephesians written by Kay Arthur, and facilitated by Juanita Guise. Meets on Zoom from 7:00- 8:30 pm. Colored

pencils are recommended, but not required. Order a workbook online or request one from Juanita. Contact her at [kguise@comcast.net](mailto:kguise@comcast.net) for the Zoom link.

- o **MOPS** – A group for mothers of young children that meets once a month, 6:00 to 8:15 p.m. Registration is \$32.00 (covers full year of special guest speakers/dinner, scholarships available). Additional outings with kids scheduled throughout the year! Contact Tina Eaton at [adultministry@fumchurch.com](mailto:adultministry@fumchurch.com) for more details.

## [Praying Follower](#)

**Our love and sympathy** to the Ometz family and friends in the passing of Derrick Ometz on February 20, 2022.

**Recovering at Home/Rehabilitation:** Melinda Rhoads, Linda Shuey

**Green Prayer Cards** are available at each sanctuary entrance upon arrival for worship. We invite you to take a card to share your joys and concerns with us. Please place them in the designated basket (along with the pen) as you leave worship. You can also use this [google link](#) to share your joys and concerns with us, or share your prayer requests by contacting Janice Bowen at [wecare@fumchurch.com](mailto:wecare@fumchurch.com) or 717-766-4611 x112.

Do you pray as often and as boldly as you want to? Do you wish you could engage your family in praying with you? If you are searching for a deeper, more passionate and intimate prayer life for your whole family, join us for **Draw the Circle**, our church-wide prayer experience for Lent! There are many different ways to participate:

- **Grab your free copy of the Book, “Draw the Circle: a 40-Day Prayer Challenge”** at church beginning **TODAY**, read the daily devotions during Lent and engage in prayer. (If you would like to make a donation for this book, please stop in the church office or contact Tina Eaton.)
- **Worship with us** (either in person or online) beginning Ash Wednesday, March 2, through Easter, April 17 to deepen your experience through the “Draw the Circle” sermon series.
- **Share your prayers and stories** throughout this experience either at church on our Prayer & Vision board (located under the balcony in the sanctuary), or online by joining our “First Church Forum” Facebook page or Instagram page @fumchurch.
- **Gather with a “check-in” partner or join a small group** and meet up once a week for five weeks to watch the videos together, engage in discussion, pray and encourage one-another through this experience together. To sign up, [click here](#) or contact Tina Eaton . There are several ways for everyone to participate:
  - o **Sunday Faith in Everyday Life Group**, 9:45 – 10:45 am in person in room 207 beginning March 6.
  - o **Sunday Christian Fellowship Group**, 9:45 – 10:45 am in person in room B003 beginning March 6.
  - o **Sunday Faithful Families Group**, 9:45 – 10:45 am in person in room B005 beginning March 6.
  - o **Sunday Growing in Christ Group**, 9:45 – 10:45 am, hybrid group (both on Zoom and in person in room 105) beginning March 6.
  - o **Sunday New Member group**, 9:45 – 10:45 am with Pastor Denny in person in Fellowship Hall beginning March 6.
  - o **Monday Joy in the Morning Group** with Janice Bowen, 1:00 – 2:00 pm on Zoom beginning March 7.
  - o **\*\*NEW!! Wednesday evening program for all ages** *includes groups for children, youth and adults*, meets in person, 6:00 – 6:45 pm beginning March 9. *Optional: Bring your own dinner and enjoy fellowship time together as a church family beginning at 5:15 pm in Fellowship Hall.*
  - o **Wednesday evening study with Pastor Denny**, 6:45 – 8:00 pm, in person in room B003 beginning March 9.



- o **Wednesday evening men's group** with Barry Eaton/John Bowen, 8:00 – 9:00 pm on Zoom (or outside at Barry's home, weather permitting) beginning March 9.
- o **Wednesday lunch & learn for women** with Tina Eaton, 12:00 – 1:00 pm, in person under the balcony in the sanctuary beginning March 9.
- o **Check-in Partners** - No time for a group? Sign up to be matched with a "check-in" partner and meet in person or on Zoom (if you already have a check-in partner, please let Tina Eaton know).
- o **Independent Study** - No time to check-in with a partner? Sign up to participate independently and receive the videos to watch on your own. Need more accountability? Connect with us on our "First Church Forum" Facebook page or on Instagram @fumchurch.

Do you enjoy journaling? **Draw the Circle prayer journals** are additionally available for \$5.00 for those who would like to journal throughout this 40-day experience. Contact Tina Eaton if interested.

**Draw the Circle** will inspire you and your family as you build a new, life-long prayer habit and deepen your belief that God can do all things! Questions? Contact Tina Eaton at [adultministry@fumchurch.com](mailto:adultministry@fumchurch.com).

### *Passionate Worshipper*

We are currently looking for some new **greeters** for our Sunday morning services. For the 8:30 a.m. service, greeters need to be in place by 8 a.m. and for the 11 a.m. service, greeters need to be in place by 10:40 a.m. The training is very simple and the only requirements are a smile and a friendly hello. If you would be interested in helping once a month, please contact Judi Buddenbaum at [ljcbuddenbaum@verizon.net](mailto:ljcbuddenbaum@verizon.net) or 717-697-2524.

**Join us and invite others to worship from home with us any day of the week!** All worship services are posted on our church website, [fumchurch.com](http://fumchurch.com). Sing, pray, hear the message proclaimed and respond through your weekly giving. If you, or someone you know, are unable to access the online worship service, please contact Janice Bowen at [wecare@fumchurch.com](mailto:wecare@fumchurch.com) or 717-766-4611 x112 for other ways to connect with our worship.

### *Dedicated Missionary*

Are you looking for the **collection containers for eye glasses, Squares & Prayers quilting kits/donations and more**? Check out our central collection station outside of our library (conveniently located by the alley entrance so you can easily drop off donations on Sunday mornings when you come for worship). Thank you!

**Change for Water** - Help support the Well Drilling Fund by dropping your loose change, even bills, into the blue "Change for Water" bucket in the Main Entrance hallway. 100% of donations go to training and digging wells for schools/communities in Sierra Leone.

Thanks for your support of the **Little Free Pantry** on our property. If you or your group would like to sign up, see the available months on the Time to Sign Up at [tsu.me/ryyunnr](https://tsu.me/ryyunnr). Thanks for sharing and caring for our community! Questions or for a list of donation suggestions, contact Lori Hoffnagle at [outreach@fumchurch.com](mailto:outreach@fumchurch.com).

### *Relationship Builder*

As we continue to journey through these challenging winter months of colds, flu, Covid and its variants, let us not forget the importance of **extravagant hospitality!** We must continue to focus on RELATIONSHIP BUILDING. Make personal phone calls to people you haven't seen for a few weeks in worship. Keep in tune

with the Holy Spirit's promptings to build relationships with new people. YOU may be the only Jesus they see!

The **Covered in Love Knitting Group** will return to in person meetings beginning Wednesday, March 2 at 9:30 a.m. and will gather downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Feel free to join if you love to knit or crochet or do some other kind of crafty work. Questions? Contact Judi Buddenbaum at [717-697-2524](tel:717-697-2524) or [ljcbuddenbaum@verizon.net](mailto:ljcbuddenbaum@verizon.net).

Unfortunately we are not able to have our **ham loaf dinner** again this year. However, 2 lb. ham loaves will still be made. If you are interested in a ham loaf (2 lb. for \$12), please contact Bob Hamsher at [rhamsher47@aol.com](mailto:rhamsher47@aol.com) or feel free to call [717-795-1128](tel:717-795-1128) and leave a message. Thank you for your interest.

**Ministry Safe Training-** Anyone working with children or youth in any capacity is required to complete the new online Safe Sanctuary training. You will receive an email with a link to the training and it will appear as it is coming from Pastor Denny. Questions can be directed to [kidscount@fumchurch.com](mailto:kidscount@fumchurch.com).

### *Generous Giver*

We encourage you to continue to respond through your weekly giving. **Offerings** can be mailed in to the church office. Now is also a great time to sign up for electronic giving! Please contact the church office at [office@fumchurch.com](mailto:office@fumchurch.com) with any questions or for more information.

### **CHILDREN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Want to know more and **stay connected** to the happenings in the children's department? Email [kidscount@fumchurch.com](mailto:kidscount@fumchurch.com) to be added to the monthly email newsletter.

### **YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Help us connect with you! Watch these platforms and your emails for opportunities to connect and learn with others!

- Remind text list - Text @4Gyo to 81010
- Instagram: fouryouthministry
- FB page: 4G - First United Methodist Youth Group
- Email [uthrock@fumchurch.com](mailto:uthrock@fumchurch.com) to receive emails

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