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Prelude - Marsha Gaffin

Welcome and greeting - Pastor Dave York

Call to Worship

Leader: In this holy season of Christmas,

People: Christ comes to us again.

Leader: In this quiet after the harried days of December,

People: God invites us to pause and reflect.

Leader: Our journey has led us here.

People: The Spirit is with us now.

Leader: Let us bow down with the sages of old,

People: and worship Christ the King.



Wise men still seek Jesus.

Christmas Carol - Angels From the realms of Glory UMH 220

Prayer – Christ of love and power, help us to embrace your will that comes from grace. Guide us to seek the justice that love reveals. Open our hearts and minds that we may hear your word in this time of worship. Open our lives in the year ahead to the power and strength of your loving Spirit. Amen.

Christmas Carol - What Child Is This? UMH 219

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 - Dave Landis

Christmas Carol - We Three Kings UMH 254 v. 1,2,5

Gospel Reading – Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon – Finding God in Unusual Places

Wesleyan Covenant Prayer – UMH 607

Next Steps, Offering, Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving – Gracious God, bless our gifts that they may be impactful as the gold, frankincense and myrrh given to the Christ child by kings long ago. May our treasures bring honor to your name. May our worship bring humility to our hearts. May our time and talents bring love to life in all that we say, think and do. Amen.

Communion

Closing Hymn - Shine Jesus Shine TFWS 2173

Benediction



Doug & Alice Hall, Jennifer Bell, Linda Steele, Ruth Wepking, Norma McCallister, Esther Polson, Doug Harter, Frank & Gini Geib, Richard Hansen, Jimmie Stallings, Jack Walker family

We are honored to host area churches as they join together to celebrate the life and work of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, January 19, at 6:30 pm. It will be an evening of great music.

Songs of Resilience
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration
January 19 6:30 pm



Join us for the Chili Cook-Off
JANUARY 25 AT NOON!

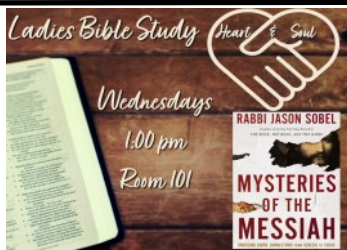
Bring your favorite chili or soup
and sides and desserts!

Stay for Family Game Day!
Fun for the whole family!



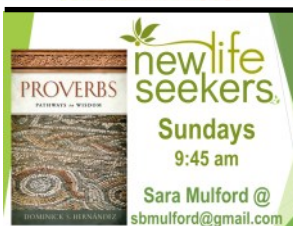
Join us for the Chili Cook-Off on January 25 after the second service. There will be prizes for the best chili. Plan to stay a little longer and enjoy a family game time. Bring your own game, or play one supplied.

Heart and Soul will be starting *Mysteries of the Messiah* by Rabbi Jason Sobel on January 14. They meet at 1 pm on Wednesdays in room 101 of the Ed building. For more info, contact Margaret at margaret.burland@gmail.com



WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, NOON
The Depot
781 Shawnee Street

You're invited to lunch on Wednesday, Jan. 14 at noon at the Depot, 781 Shawnee St. This is a great way to enjoy some great food and make a new friend. If you need a ride, contact Sandy at swood@fumclvks.org.



The New Life Seekers Sunday School class will be starting the Bible Study, Proverbs; Pathways to Wisdom in January. They meet in room 203. For more information, contact Sara Mulford at sbmulford@gmail.com.

One of our family values here is making everyone feel welcome. We're in need of greeters to volunteer for a month of service three times a year. To volunteer, contact Kathi LaMoe at lamoe4@hotmail.com.



Can you smile?
Can you shake hands?
Do you know where the bathroom is?
Congratulations!
You're qualified to be a
Greeter
WE NEED YOU!
To volunteers, contact Kathi LaMoe
lamoe1@hotmail.com



Wonderful Wednesday is for kids 3 years to sixth grade and meets from 3:45-5:30 pm. They will begin again on January 7. For info, contact Nancy Shade at nshade@fumclvks.org.

Seventh through twelfth grade students will meet tonight at 6 pm. For info, email khowell@fumclvks.org.

Refuge Youth



Fifth and sixth grade students will meet today at noon at the Ed building for lunch, Bible Study and fun. For more info, email Nancy at nshade@fumclvks.org.

Would you be willing to spend \$5 or \$10 more at the grocery store to help feed families in our community? Stronghold and Trinity are in need of canned fruit, pancake mix and syrup but ANY non-perishable item is appreciated.



WEEKLY Sneak Peek

Tuesday, January 6

1:00 pm Book Club

Wednesday, January 7

3:45 pm Wonderful Wednesday

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 14

8:30 am Mother's Morning Out

12:00 pm Let's Do Lunch - The Depot

1:00 pm Heart and Soul starts

3:45 pm Wonderful Wednesday

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, January 17

8:00 am Men's Breakfast



We believe in the power of prayer. If you have a prayer request, put it in the basket near the front door or email swood@fumclvks.org. Our prayer group meets on Tuesdays at 9 am in Wesley hall. You are welcome to join us.



DIGITAL OFFERING

Online giving is available at fumclvks.org/give or use the QR code above to go directly to the website. You can use a check or credit card. For help, contact Steven at sshade@fumclvks.org.



We love kids! Kids are dismissed in the 11 am service for Kids 1st Worship after the Children's Moment. We have a nursery for kids three and under in the basement. We have "busy bags" to borrow with activities for them in the red wagon in the foyer.