

**11:00 am Worship**

**January 7, 2024 - First Sunday of Epiphany**

*The altar is open for personal prayer time prior to the beginning of our service.*

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**Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude** Chandler Ogles

**Invocation** Beckey Youngblood

**Call to Worship** Joyful Noise Chancel Choir

**\*Hymn of Praise** Be Still, My Soul Hymn #346

**\*Responsive Reading** The Light of Christ #207 in Hymnal  
adapted from *Isaiah 60:1-3; 2 Corinthians 3:18, 4:6*

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

People: **For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.**

Leader: And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

People: **And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another.**

Leader: For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

People: **For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer**

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

**Children's Moment** Hillary Eckstein

**Offering Prayer**

**Offertory Music** Make His Praise Glorious Chancel Choir

**\*Doxology**  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**Message** Follow The Healer  
"Whose Ministry Is It?" Rev. Clint McBroom  
Matthew 9:35-10:1

**Service of Holy Communion** #730 in Hymnal

**\*Hymn of Invitation** Have Thine Own Way, Lord Hymn #343(1,4)

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude** Kelley Hill

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\*please stand as you are able

**Sign-Ups**

Name(s):

**Mission House**

\_\_\_ Check if interested in volunteering

**Items needed:**

- Blankets - King & Queen
- Sheets - King & Queen
- Men's jeans - sizes 32 & 34 waist various lengths
- Toddler clothes - sizes 2, 3 & 4
- Elementary age girl's clothes
- Children Socks - Boys & Girls
- Youth size - under shirts
- Size 11 and 13 - Men's shoes
- Men's undershirts
- Body Lotion
- Dishwashing Detergent

You can place it in the collection bin by the coke machine or bring it to the church office.

**MISSION MINISTRIES NEEDS**

**ACTS** - Needs 2 lb. bags of cornmeal and flour. You can place it in the collection bin in the fellowship hall or bring it by the church office.

Welcome!  
We're glad you're here!

Name(s):

Email (optional):

## Prayer Requests

### A NEW WAY TO GIVE TO YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

First Methodist now has the ability to give via Venmo. Use the QR code below.



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## Announcements

### This afternoon

- 4:00 pm - Handbell Rehearsal, *bell room*
- 5:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal, *choir room*
- 5:00-6:30 pm - Youth & Kids - dinner provided, *fellowship hall*

### Monday, January 8

- 10:00 am - Woman's Circle, *fellowship hall*
- 6:00 pm - Church Council Meeting, *fellowship hall*

### Tuesday, January 9

- 9-11:00 am – Chrismons, *fellowship hall*
- 5:30 pm - SPRC meeting, *church office*

### Wednesday, January 10

- 9:00 am - 1:00 pm - Mission House Open
- 6:00 pm - Food & Fellowship - meal provided by *Red Hot Chili Peppers*
- 6:30 - 7:15 pm - Small Groups, Youth & Kids Classes

### Thursday, January 12

- 6:00 pm - Home Supper Club

### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup> @ 6:00 PM

We encourage everyone to attend our Church Council meetings. This is the best way to hear directly from the church leadership. The meeting will be held in the fellowship hall.

### "ABSOLUTE BASICS OF THE WESLEYAN WAY"

- Do you know what God's purpose is for you? • How can the power of God change the way you live? • What is the goal of the Christian life? • What is sanctification?
- How are happiness and holiness related? • How does getting closer to God help us get closer to each other?

If you would like to know more about what makes Methodists unique, and understand why the Wesleyan way of Christian faith is so needed in our day and age, this is the study for you! Started on **Wednesday, January 3 at 6:30 PM** (following our Fellowship Supper) in the **2nd floor chapel**. It's not too late to join!

The study books are \$15 apiece. There will be some available at the first class, or you can order one directly from Seedbed.

### MEN'S BREAKFAST – JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> 7:00 AM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

### CRAFTY CHRISTIANS - JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>

Join us with Bert Sullivan providing a lesson on making a Valentines Box. Sign up is requested. Contact Gayle Mason.



“Whose Ministry Is It?”

Matthew 9:35-10:1