



**The United Methodist Church
of Libertyville**

**February 16, 2014
8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 AM**

The Season of Epiphany

**Today's Scripture Passage
from the Sermon on the Mount**

*When Jesus saw the crowds,
he went up the mountain;
and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.
Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:*

*“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*“Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.*

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

*“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst
for righteousness, for they will be filled.*

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

*“Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.*

*“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’
sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*“Blessed are you when people revile you
and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil
against you falsely on my account.*

*Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven,
for in the same way they persecuted
the prophets who were before you.*

Matthew 5:1-12



A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

PASTORS

Stephen C. Williams • Jamie Hanna Williams

First Light Service ~ 8:15 AM

Gathering Music "Symphony I" W. Boyce

Welcome & Greeting (Please pass the attendance pads at this time.)

We welcome you to our service today and invite you to greet each other with words of grace and peace. May God's blessing be upon us all as we worship together in spirit and truth.

* **Opening Hymn** "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" No. 213

* Call to Worship

Leader Come, all who are poor in spirit; come, all who mourn;
come, all who are meek;
come, all who hunger and thirst after righteousness.

People **Come, all who would be merciful;
come, all who would be pure in heart;
come, all who would be peacemakers.**

Leader Let us come together - the weak, the simple,
the powerless, the foolish.

People **Let us confess that the source of our life is Jesus Christ.
Let us lift up our heads and hearts to worship the God of
every blessing. Amen.**

Musical Prayer "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" No. 402

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart. In my heart, in my heart,
Lord I want to be a Christian in my heart.
Lord I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart...

Meditative Prayer "For Holiness of Heart" Howard Thurman

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. Here is the citadel of all my desiring, where my hopes are born and all the deep resolutions of my spirit take wings. In this center, my fears are nourished, and all my hates are nurtured. Here my loves are cherished, and all the deep hungers of my spirit are honored without quivering and without shock. In my heart, above all else, let love and integrity envelop me until my love is perfected and the last vestige of my desiring is no longer in conflict with thy Spirit. Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. Amen.

Quiet Reflection and Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Solo "Deep River" H. Burleigh
Naomi Varda

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon "Mixed Blessings" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering / Offertory "Andante" W. Boyce

* Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94

* Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of Holy Communion UM Hymnal page 13

Gluten free wafers are available in the center tray.

* **Closing Hymn** "Be Thou My Vision" No. 451

* Pastoral Benediction

Postlude "March" G. F. Handel



* Those who are able are invited to stand.

Traditional Service ~ 9:30 AM



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Prelude "Symphony I" W. Boyce

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Unison Prayer

We thank you, O God, for calling us into your church to be your people in the world. We are ready to hear your word; speak to us, God, and give us courage to do your will. With all our doubts and fears and shortcomings, we have decided to follow Jesus in our time and place. Guide us by your loving Spirit. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

First Scripture Reading Psalm 15 Jules Traut

Children's Message Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

Celebration of Holy Baptism UM Hymnal, page 39
Nathan and Amy Kitzman present their daughter,
Graycen Kay, for Holy Baptism this morning.

Congregational Response

With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Graycen Kay, surrounded by our community of love and forgiveness, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Solo "Deep River" H. Burleigh
Naomi Varda

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** Please consider completing a "Joys and Concerns" card and placing it in the box at the back of the sanctuary. The Pastors and Prayer Team will use the cards to guide weekly

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" No. 451

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon "Mixed Blessings" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering / Offertory "Andante" W. Boyce

* Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94

* Prayer of Dedication

* Closing Hymn "Forward Through the Ages" No. 555

* Benediction

Postlude "March" G. F. Handel



A WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

We are delighted to have all of you sharing with us in worship! If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Table in the foyer to pick up a Visitor Packet and meet our Welcoming Ministries Coordinator, Joyce Bedell (joycebedell@sbcglobal.net), for more information about our church family. All are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, refreshments, and community sharing from 9:00-11:00 AM. We look forward to seeing you there!



The flowers in our sanctuary this morning are given in honor of Margaret Barnes. Happy Birthday to a special friend on last week's special birthday!

Many thanks to the following people for helping with our services this morning:

Sound Tech: Connor and Zach Clausen **Acolytes:** (9:30) Ushers

February Ushers: (8:15) Judy Awe, Larry Corrigan, Clem Vath
(9:30) Dan Joyce, Rob Kilmer, Bob Kowal, Chris Skinner,
Wes Swearingin, Karl Taylor, Jean Turner

Coffee Fellowship: (9:00—11:00) Please join us for coffee and refreshments served in Fellowship Hall.

Contemporary Service ~ 11:00 AM



Countdown

Welcome & Announcements

We welcome you to our service today and invite you to greet each other with words of grace and peace. May God's blessing be upon us all as we worship together in spirit and truth.

* Song "Blessed Be Your Name" Redman

* Song "I Will Follow" Tomlin

Children's Message Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

* Song "Jesus Messiah" Carson

Scripture Psalm 15

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

Scripture Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon "Mixed Blessings" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

* Closing Song "Happy Day" Hughes

* Benediction



Service Notes

Children are welcome in worship. We enjoy having kids with us in worship but there is also a special program for them called *Kids Own Worship* that takes place following the Children's Message. For those who wish, nursery care is available for infants and toddlers during the service in Room 100.

We welcome you to Holy Communion to experience the grace and love of God. We celebrate Communion on the first Sunday of the month. All who are seeking the grace of God through the presence of Jesus Christ are welcome to the table.

The Offering we give is both an act of thanks and faith – a way to offer back to God some of the blessings we have received and a response of trust that God will take care of us as we rely upon him. You are invited to place your gifts in the Offering Plate on the back table as you leave.

Please fill in the registration sheet that is passed around so you will be kept informed about what's happening at the church. Remember to include your email address.

Worship Team: Julie Bakus, Woody Bedell, Jeff Brown, Jeff Davis,
Jeanette Frisbey, Tim Tonon, Jamie Twedell

Multimedia Coordinators: Mark & Janet Mason

Refreshments: Jeanette Frisbey

UMCL News & Notes ~ February 16, 2014

THE BUILDING COMMITTEE invites you to "imagine"
the dreams of our church family coming to life:

- * Imagine... a more intimate worship experience
and an inspiring center of worship in the sanctuary.

Thank you: The Building Committee

BUILDING CONCEPTS OPEN MEETING—There is growing excitement within our congregation about the possibility of remodeling our sanctuary, creating a new entry area, and adding a second-floor restroom in the education wing. The Building Committee has been working closely with our architects, developing design concepts and preliminary plans related to these dreams. Recognizing that all members of the congregation need to be included in this process and may have excellent questions, ideas, thoughts or suggestions that could contribute to the overall design, the Building Committee and architects have scheduled an Open Meeting **this Wednesday evening, February 19 at 7:00 PM in the East Room**. Anyone who is interested is encouraged to attend this meeting. The architects and the Building Committee will be present to describe the design plans, answer any questions, and receive ideas or suggestions.

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS! Please stop to check out the new bulletin board in the main entrance area, between the windows! This board is filled with opportunities where you can sign up to serve: Worship Greeters, Coffee Hosts, Acolytes, Altar Flowers, Sound Board, Church Sign, and Memos/Mailings. Thank you for your support!

BOOKS AND BRUNCH will be held **this Saturday, February 22, 9:00 AM—Noon!** Don't miss "A Yada/Yada Morning with Neta and Pam!" At this UMW event, you will enjoy brunch and fellowship, a program by Neta Jackson and Pam Sullivan (from the Yada Yada Prayer Group series), a book exchange and the opportunity to purchase copies of books by Neta Jackson. (Donations will be accepted for "The Book Bridge" in Grayslake.) Cost is \$10. **Register today in the entry area, or online** at www.umcl.org/books-and-brunch. Contact: MaryAnn Burson (847-270-0633) or Terry Johnson (847-223-1944.)

TRAFFIC ALERT—UMCL is a busy place, with three events meeting **this Saturday, February 22, at 9:00 AM**. Please plan accordingly and leave enough time for parking and safe navigation to the church building. Please watch for pedestrians! Carpooling would be helpful. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

WOMEN'S RETREAT ~ "Nature, Prayer, and the Grace of God" ~ Please stop by the registration table in the entry area **today** to register for the Women's Retreat which will be held from **Friday evening, February 28, through Saturday afternoon, March 1, 2014** at St. Mary of the Lake Conference Center in Mundelein. This will be a wonderful, fun, inspiring time to make new friends and deepen your relationship with God. Don't miss it! Contact any member of the retreat planning committee for more information: MaryAnn Burson, DeeAnn Clausen, Marni Corrigan, Joannie Foley, Linda Lehman, Bonnie Lill, Sharon McNally, and Pastor Jamie Williams.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE will meet **Tuesday, February 18, at 9:30 AM** in Fellowship Hall. June McCoy will present the program on Lake County United. Hope to see you there!

UNITED METHODIST MEN will meet **Saturday, February 22nd at 9:00 AM** in room 101. Our guest speaker is from "Center For Changing Lives," affiliated with the United Methodist Church of Humboldt Park. We'll be learning how our contributions to this group are being put to use in the Humboldt Park area. The meeting is open to all members of our congregation! Coffee and pastries will be served.

LIBERTYVILLE TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY—Jesus calls us to feed the hungry. The Outreach Committee is asking for your help to replenish the shelves at our local food pantry by donating the following items: **canned salmon or sardines, canned fruit, canned condensed milk or powdered milk, pasta, shampoo or hair conditioner, and toilet paper**. Please return donated items to the Food Pantry Boxes (in the Foyer, Christian Education wing, or Fellowship Hall) **by noon next Sunday, February 23rd**. Questions? Contact Carol Sim-Campbell (simcampbell@comcast.net or 847-362-3971).

UMCL News & Notes Continued

LAKE COUNTY UNITED HOUSE MEETING—Sunday, February 23, 10:30-11:45 AM, Fellowship Hall Room C. Come to learn “What’s been done?” and “What’s next?”

FAMILY MISSION NIGHT FOR PADS—All members of the church are invited to volunteer on **Saturday, March 1st, 4:00—6:00 PM.** In support of our church’s PADS mission, we will be making lunches, setting up Fellowship Hall, and cooking dinner. Our Sunday School kids will be collecting items for lunches on Sunday mornings. Please email Amanda at AmandaSeibertUMCL@gmail.com if you can help or have questions.

RUTH CIRCLE will meet at **7:00 PM on Wednesday, February 26th,** at the home of Karen Kuhlman (840 Hawthorne Lane, Libertyville, 847.680.5845). Kate Berryman and Hanna Brockman will speak to us about their October Plumblin Tour trip to the Church Center at the United Nations in NYC. Come join us!

2014 U.S. ADULT MISSION TRIP—Heavy rains on August 6, 2013 flooded Waynesville, Missouri. The flooded downtown and low-lying areas were extensively damaged. Volunteers of every skill level are needed in this vital ministry to rebuild homes and restore hope. This year’s trip will take place **April 27th to May 3rd,** and we hope you would consider being a part of this life-changing ministry. The volunteer participant fee is \$250, which covers transportation, lodging, food, and supplies. We also have three scholarships available to cover this cost if you have desire but not the financial means. We need your commitment as soon as possible and the fee by April 6. Questions? Email or call Jeff Welch (jpwelch5@gmail.com or 847-372-6835).

PRIME TIME—It’s Game Day!! Join Prime Timers for lunch (\$5) at **Noon on Monday, March 3rd.** Bring your cards, dominoes and board games for after-lunch entertainment. RSVP by Friday, February 28 to the church office (libertyvilleumc@sbcglobal.net or 847-362-2112). We look forward to seeing you! Contact: Mary Montgomery, Priscilla Mortland

SAVE THE DATE for an “Almost Spring” Concert on **Sunday, March 16, 3:00 PM** at UMCL. This concert will feature the Heritage Bell Choir as well as piano-organ duets presented by guest organist Mary Schecher, Cynthia Nash-Frye, and Jim Grace.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Vacation Bible School this summer from **July 14—18.** This year’s VBS theme will feature some wild and WEIRD animals...

GREEN LIVING FAIR—MARCH 15. Lake County Green Congregations will again sponsor a Green Living Fair at the Libertyville Civic Center on **Saturday, March 15, 10:00 AM—2:00 PM.** This is an educational event and also a great recycling opportunity! Recycling opportunities include: electronics, batteries, CDs, cameras, white packing foam, ink cartridges, wine corks, tennis shoes, and more. We are also in need of a few folks to help with some of these activities (like transferring items into the recycling bins.) Please put the event on your calendar. Contact Cathy O’Brien (847-367-8062 or cobrien1021@hotmail.com,) if you have questions or can help!

TWO NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES will begin **March 23rd at 9:30 AM:**
1) Chip Ingram’s House or Home Parenting Edition: God’s Blueprint for Biblical Parenting. Details: Julie Holdeman at julieballing@gmail.com or 847-986-6081
2) John Ortberg’s When the Game is Over it All Goes Back in the Box: Living Life in Light of Eternity. Details: Ron Campbell at campbell.ronald@comcast.net or 847-362-2913
More information on these classes will be available in MEMOS.

PADS HELP NEEDED—We are called by Jesus to feed the hungry and shelter the homeless. Please consider serving with PADS! Volunteers are ALWAYS needed for **overnight shifts** (11 PM—3 AM or 3-6:30 AM) or **clean-up** (5:30-7:15 AM). The PADS sign-up book is in Fellowship Hall during coffee time and in the foyer for our third service, or call Cathy O’Brien at 847-367-8062.

SECOND MILE GIVING FOR FEBRUARY will support— 1) **Waukegan to College.** Founded by Lake County United, Waukegan to College (W2C) now functions on its own, working with families and students in Waukegan to help students get on and stay on the path to college by offering support programs like tutoring and coaching. Information: www.waukegantocollege.org. 2) **Prisoner Release Ministry, Inc.** This organization, founded by United Methodist men and women from the Northern Illinois Conference, seeks to find jobs for men and women upon their release. For additional information, please go to www.prisonerreleaseministry.com.

Church Calendar

Sunday, February 16, 2014

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
8:15 AM—First Light Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-5 years)
9:00 AM—Coffee Time
9:00 AM—Cherub Choir
9:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-2 years)
9:30 AM—Sunday School for all ages
(Children begin in service and leave
after Children's Message)
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
10:40 AM—Children's Choir for grades 1-6
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-2 years)
11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (Children begin in
service and leave after Children's Message)
4:00 PM—Confirmation

Monday, February 17, 2014

7:00 PM—Spiritual Disciplines Class
7:00 PM—World's Religions Class
7:00 PM—Boy Scout Troop #72

Tuesday, February 18, 2014

9:30 AM—Women's Spiritual Growth
9:30 AM—Priscilla Circle
12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA
1:00 PM—Endowment Committee
1:45 PM—Disciple 4 Bible Study
7:00 PM—TNT (Senior High Group) @ Ben's
7:00 PM—Staff Parish Relations Committee
7:00 PM—Troop #72 Committee

Wednesday, February 19, 2014

9:00 AM—MEMOS
9:00 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
9:45 AM—Faith Study
1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study
7:00 PM—Building Concepts Open Meeting
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:00 PM—Jr. High SYNERGY

Thursday, February 20, 2014

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—20-Somethings @ Ben's
7:30 PM—Disciple 2 Bible Study
7:30 PM—Adult Choir

Friday, February 21, 2014

12:00 PM—Books & Brunch Set-up
4:00 PM—Youth Faith & Sexuality Seminar
6:00 PM—Intimate Evenings

Saturday, February 22, 2014

8:00 AM—Men's Study
8:30 AM—Praise Band
9:00 AM—United Methodist Men
9:00 AM—Books and Brunch
9:00 AM—Youth Faith and Sexuality Seminar
4:30 PM—PADS Set up
6:30 PM—PADS

Sunday, February 23, 2014

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
8:15 AM—First Light Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-5 years)
9:00 AM—Coffee Time
9:00 AM—Cherub Choir
9:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-2 years)
9:30 AM—Sunday School for all ages
(Children begin in service and leave
after Children's Message)
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
10:40 AM—Children's Choir for grades 1-6
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-2 years)
11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (Children begin in
service and leave after Children's Message)
4:00 PM—Confirmation

Monday, February 24, 2014

7:00 PM—Spiritual Disciplines Class
7:00 PM—World's Religions Class
7:00 PM—UMW Leadership Team
7:00 PM—Boy Scout Troop #72

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

9:30 AM—Women's Spiritual Growth
11:00 AM—Toddler Play Group
12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA
1:45 PM—Disciple 4 Bible Study
7:00 PM—Worship Committee
7:00 PM—Faithful Threads
7:00 PM—TNT (Senior High Group) @ Ben's
7:00 PM—Lake County Green Congregations

Wednesday, February 26, 2014

9:00 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
9:45 AM—Faith Study
1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study
5:30 PM—All Stars
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:00 PM—Jr. High SYNERGY
7:00 PM—Spiritual Growth Committee
7:00 PM—Ruth Circle (off site)

Thursday, February 27, 2014

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—20-Somethings @ Ben's
7:30 PM—Disciple 2 Bible Study
7:30 PM—Adult Choir

Friday, February 28, 2014

6:00 PM—Women's Retreat
6:00 PM—Young Life Capernaum

Saturday, March 1, 2014

8:00 AM—Women's Retreat
8:00 AM—Men's Study
8:00 AM—Young Ringers Workshop
8:30 AM—Praise Band
4:30 PM—PADS Family Night Set up
6:30 PM—PADS

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