

News & Notes

ALPHA Join us for the series at 4.00 on Sunday afternoons in the back of our beautiful sanctuary, beginning today. ALPHA is a small group study that gives everyone the opportunity to explore their Christian faith in a relaxed, friendly setting. Contact either Kathy Locke or Jim Stewart alpha@umcl.org with questions or to register. All are welcome!

OUR NURSERY HAS EXPANDED! Through Easter we are offering two nurseries—the “infant nursery” (room 100) for little ones 0-2 years and the new “toddler nursery” (room 102) for 2.5-4 year olds. (4+ will attend church programming) Contact Amanda Seibert with questions.

TEACHERS NEEDED! B.I.G. Time (Sunday School) and Kids Own Worship classes are in need of teachers for January, February & March. If you are able to teach or assist a teacher please contact Amanda Seibert at Amanda.Seibert@umcl.org

NEW SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES & NEEDS—We are delighted to have a beautiful new Community Room where we can serve coffee and treats on Sunday morning, but we need your help. Because of our expanding opportunities for hospitality in the Community Room, we need additional volunteers in 2016 to help us organize and carry out these coffees. Would you be willing to help? Please email Pastor Jamie if you feel like you can contribute in some way. Thank You!!

PADS NEEDS LINENS!—PADS needs single sheets and pillowcases so if you have some old ones laying around please bring them in and put in the PADS tub in Fellowship Hall. They DON'T NEED to match. Just fitted bottom, flat, and pillow cases. Volunteers are needed for overnight shifts and clean-up shifts. The PADS signup book is in Fellowship Hall after Sunday services or call Cathy O'Brien 847-367-8062.

PADS MONEY MAKER —Please support Pizzeria Deville in their Chef Series Dinners as they will be donating proceeds to our PADS program (and other local charities including the all the food pantries in the area.) These are great dinners with great chefs so it makes a wonderful evening. Please see the flyers posted around the building with all the information.

SECOND MILE GIVING FOR JANUARY will help support—1) Lake County United-This broad-based non-profit citizen organization, comprised of churches, synagogues, mosques, civic, and labor groups has been addressing common goals since April 2003. The mission of their members is to work as agents for change on issues that most impact the people of Lake County. For additional information regarding recent initiatives, please go to www.lakecountyunited.org or call 630-743-9649. 2.) Panama Mission Trip-Our church helps sponsor this medical mission trip to Panama every year and this month, from January 23 – 30, an all-time high number of 30 volunteers are going. The volunteer team, which includes physicians, dentists, ophthalmologists, pharmacists, and nurses, sees from 900-1800 people in the 4 days they run the clinic in remote locations. Please watch the church bulletins and MEMOs for updates and supplies that are needed.

RUTH CIRCLE will be meeting at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall on Wednesday January 20th to do a “crafty service project”. Bring your own sack dinner. For more information call Julie Garren, 847-816-7340 or Teri Dreher, 847-687-9942. No special talent needed for this craft so ALL are welcome!

SOUPER SATURDAY is a fun and flavorful multi-generational afternoon on Saturday, January 30, 12:00—3:00 PM. Bring your family, your favorite game and a crock pot of soup. We will have games from scrabble to Nintendo Wii and everything in between. Top 3 favorite soups will be awarded prizes! Cost of admission is a non-perishable item per person - maybe a can of soup!? Please sign up online at <http://www.umcl.org/souper-game-night>.

STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE—Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous. If you would like to talk with a Stephen Minister, please contact Kevin Garren (847-816-7340), Mary Spooner (847-548-3703) or the Pastors.

HELPING HANDS—A request....our Helping Hands Ministry has a request to find some hearing aids that you might not be using anymore and may just be lying in a drawer. If you would like to clean out that drawer, please drop the unused aids off at the church office.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will begin an 8-week study of 2 Timothy on Wednesday, January 13 at 1:00 PM in room 103 at church. If you'd like to participate, please contact Terry Johnson at JGTAJohnson@aol.com today! Books cost \$7, and will be available for pick up in the office in early January. Everyone is welcome to join the study.

FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS Join us at O'Tooles of Libertyville February 5th for dinner and drinks. I currently have a reservation for our group and we need a minimum of 8 people to hold the area. Please RSVP by 1/29 so I can confirm our reservation with an accurate head count. Thanks! Looking forward to seeing everyone!

PRIME TIME LUNCH Monday February 1st at 12:00 PM for lunch. The cost is \$5.00. Please sign-up by 1/28/16.

UMCL Calendar

Sunday, January 17, 2016

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
8:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
9:00 AM—Cherub Choir
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
9:30 AM—B.I.G. Time
Children's Sunday School; room 206)
9:30 AM—Youth & Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (room 201)

2:00 PM—Panama Orientation
4:00 PM—ALPHA
4:30 PM—Joyful Noise & Choristers
6:30 PM—SrHi Tide

Monday, January 18, 2016

Rev. Martin Luther Kings Birthday
5:45 PM—Daisy Girl Scouts
7:00 PM—Inquirers' Study
7:00 PM—Young & Board (off site)
7:00 PM—Troop #72

Tuesday, January 19, 2016

9:30 AM—Priscilla Circle
9:30 AM—Women's Spiritual Growth
12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA
1:00 PM—Endowment Committee
7:00 PM—New UMW Circle
7:00 PM—Resource Committee

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

9:15 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study
6:00 PM—Ruth Circle
7:00 PM—JrHI TIDE
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:30 PM—Ecumenical Service First Presbyterian

Thursday, January 21, 2016

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—Disciple 4
7:30 PM—Adult Choir
7:30 PM—Praise Band

Friday, January 22, 2016

Teri Dreher—Salvation Army
6:00 PM—Young Life Capernaum

Saturday, January 23, 2016

8:00 AM—Men's Study
10:00 AM—UMW Leadership Retreat
5:00 PM—PADS

Sunday, January 24, 2016

8:00 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
8:15 AM—Adult Sunday School Class
9:00 AM—Cherub Choir
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)
9:30 AM—B.I.G. Time
Children's Sunday School; room 206)

9:30 AM—Youth & Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service
(Nursery care available for ages 0-3.5 years)

11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (room 201)
4:00 PM—ALPHA
4:00 PM—Confirmation

4:30 PM—Joyful Noise & Choristers
6:30 PM—SrHi Tide

Monday, January 25, 2016

7:00 PM—Inquirers' Study
7:00 PM—Troop #72

Tuesday, January 26, 2016

12:00 & 7:30 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—Faithful Threads

Wednesday, January 27, 2016

9:15 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina 1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study
5:30 PM—All Stars
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:00 PM—JrHI TIDE
7:00 PM—Building Committee

Thursday, January 28, 2016

12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—Disciple 4
7:30 PM—Adult Choir
7:30 PM—Praise Band

Friday, January 29, 2016

No Scheduled Activities

Saturday, January 30, 2016

8:00 AM—Men's Study
12:00 PM—Souper Saturday



The United Methodist Church
of Libertyville
January 17, 2016
9:30 & 11:00 AM

The Season of Epiphany

Today's Scripture Passage

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ² asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising and have come to pay him homage.” ³ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵ They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

⁶ ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸ Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” ⁹ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹ On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

PASTORS

Stephen C. Williams • Jamie Hanna Williams



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

United Methodist Church of Libertyville
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Traditional Service ~ 9:30 am



Gathering Music

Greeting & 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. Thank you for passing the attendance pads at this time.

Prelude Partita On "He Leadeth Me" J. Spong

* Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Leader Your love, O God, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.

People Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the great deep.

Leader Earth's children, high and low, take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

People We feast on the abundance of your house; you give us drink from your river of delights.

All For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. Glory be to you, O God, our life and our light!

* Congregational Hymn "We've a Story to tell to the Nations" No. 569

Unison Prayer

Radiant God, all nations are drawn to your light; all people proclaim your praise. You have made of one blood all the tribes and races and people of the earth and, by a star in the East, revealed to the world Jesus the Christ. We rejoice in your great love and bow to praise you, together with all the nations. Glory be to you, O God! Amen.

Musical Response "Gloria Patri" No. 71

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

First Scripture Reading Isaiah 60:1-6 Sue Hamilton

Anthem "Be Thou My Vision" J. Ferguson

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

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

* *Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

* Hymn "What Child is This" No. 219

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon "'Look!" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering / Offertory From "Partita"

* Doxology "In the Bleak Midwinter" No. 221 verse 4

What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part; yet what can I give him; give my heart.

* Prayer of Dedication

* Closing Hymn "Take My Life and Let It Be" No. 399

*Pastoral Benediction

Postlude From "Partita"



A Warm Welcome to All!

We are so glad you have chosen to share with us in worship this morning! If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Table at the entrance to Fellowship Hall to pick up a Visitor Packet and meet our Welcoming Ministries Coordinator, Joyce Bedell (Joyce.Bedell@umcl.org), for more information about our church family. All are invited to stay after the service for coffee, refreshments, and community sharing. We look forward to meeting you!



Many thanks to the following people for helping with our service this morning!

Sound Tech: Jesse Nixon

Ushers: John Aten, Jane Aton, Jay Hazlett, Bill Vanni

Coffee Time: Please join us for coffee and refreshments between services in the new Community Room.

Contemporary Service ~ 11:00 am



Gathering Into Worship

*Opening Song "Here Is Our King" D. Crowder
Praise Band

Prayer (please be seated) Ben Hallett

Worship Together "Awakening" R. Morgan & C. Tomlin

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

Community Sharing

Announcements and Greeting Each Other

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-12

Message "Look!" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering

Prayer

*Song "SMS Shine" D. Crowder

Scattering into the World



Worship Team: David Bedell, Woody Bedell, Ben Hallett, Jacqueline Hallett
Heidi Nelson, Tom Seibert, Tim Tonon, Jennifer Whittington

Multimedia Coordinators: Connor Clausen, Mark and Janet Mason

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 meets in room 201 during the service. Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers in Room 100.

Thank you for completing the registration sheet that is passed around (including email) so we can keep you informed on news of the church.

* Those who are able are invited to stand.