

News & Notes

Spiritual Growth Opportunities for Lent

Sign-up in the Community Room at the table near the office window.

A Small Group Study - For The Life Of the World (FLOW) Are you young or young at heart and have an appetite to figure out just how on earth we are to live as Christians in today's world? What is our salvation actually for? Come explore God's original and restorative plan for all things and the deeper mystery of our faith. Three time offerings: Ben Hallett on Sunday evenings 4:00-5:30, with Woody Bedell on Sunday mornings 8:15-9:30, or with Scott Allen Sunday mornings 9:30-10:45.

A Small Group or Independent Study - Pilgrim Road by Albert Holtz In the view of St. Benedict of Nursia, the Lenten journey is an inner pilgrimage with Christ into the deepest parts of ourselves, to be marked not so much by external observances such as fasting and self-denial as by a deepening of our relationship with God. With Sara Aumuller Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 PM

A Small Group Study - The God We Can Know by Rob Fuquay The God We Can Know is a 7-week study designed for the entire congregation to explore the "I Am" sayings of Jesus found in the Gospel of John. Perfect for Lent or any time of year, this series will help you find and form an answer to the most essential question in the Christian faith, "Who do you say I am?" Wednesday mornings 10:00-11:00AM An Independent Activity - "One Word for Lent" toolkit What one word does God want to give you to focus on this Lent? Grab a "toolkit" in the Community Room on Sundays during Lent and embark on a one-word personal journey for the next 6 weeks. Inside there will be guidelines for choosing a word and some reflection questions to help you focus and reflect on the work God is doing in you through this one, simple word.

ALPHA Join us for the series at 4.00 on Sunday afternoons in the back of our beautiful sanctuary.

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!

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE FELLOWSHIP We hope you will join us in the Community Room or the Fellowship Hall anytime from 9:00 to 11:00 am for Coffee and Refreshments. If you would like to help with the Coffee times in either location, please contact Jan Grigsby at grigsjan@sbcglobal.com or Peg Berryman. We are working to simplify the preparation and clean-up for coffee time to make it easy and efficient for volunteers. Instructions are being developed now. Thank You!

FEEDBACK FOR THE BUILDING COMMITTEE We are very proud of the recent building improvements and of course we would like to hear if you have any suggestions or feedback. There are multiple ways to provide feedback. You can contact a building committee member directly; submit online at www.umcl.org/feedback or use the suggestion box in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for your support, Mike Foley.

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

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP ASP (Appalachian Service Project) 2016 is June 11-18. Anyone (youth and adults) that will be an incoming high school freshman fall 2016 or older are eligible. If you have not yet signed up and are interested, we need to know by February 21 to guarantee your spot. We will have an informational table at church February 7th and an information meeting February 14th at 5:30 after the confirmation class. To reserve your spot or find out more about the trip, contact Steve Neil (sbneil@comcast.net or 224-475-8701).

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

ENDOWMENT EDGE Anyone can give an endowment gift. Any size gift may be made and you can do this now or as part of your estate plan. You can feel the joy of giving.

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 available during fellowship time 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.

PRIME TIME LUNCH Monday February 1st at 12:00 PM for lunch. The cost is \$5.00. Please sign-up by Thursday 1/28/16. There will be a social time to share our life experiences.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday February 16 at 9:30 in Fellowship Hall. We will enjoy some refreshments and Pastor Jamie Williams will lead us on some thoughts on prayer. All are welcome. Any questions, call Shirley Mason at 847-362-0523.

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 30 volunteers just returned. 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 bulletins and MEMOs for updates and supplies that are needed SOUPER SATURDAY Big thanks to all that came out to our Souper Saturday event yesterday. It was a fun afternoon of playing games, socializing and eating A LOT of soup! Congratulations to our "Souper Bowl" Winners – they are the people wearing the ribbons! STEPHEN MINISTRY Stephen Ministers are individuals who care about others. They receive extensive training to provide confidential one-to-one Christian care to hurting people. Stephen Ministry is our congregation's care giving ministry. If you would like to become a Stephen Minister please contact one of our Leaders: Kevin Garren (847-816-7340) or Mary

Sunday, January 31, 2016

Family Sunday
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
9:30 AM—B.I.G. Time
9:30 AM—Youth & Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service
11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (room 201)
4:00 PM—ALPHA
4:00PM—Confirmation
4:30 PM—Joyful Noise & Choristers
6:30PM—SrHi Tide

Monday, February 1, 2016

9:00 AM—College Boxes
12:00 PM—Prime Time Lunch
5:45 PM—Daisies Girl Scouts
7:00 PM—Inquirers' Study
7:00 PM—Troop #72

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

12:00 & 7:30 PM – Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—Pack 273 Committee

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

8:45 AM—Memos
9:30 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study
7:00 PM—BSA District Committee
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:00 PM— Jr. High Tide
7:00 PM— Spiritual Growth

Thursday, February 4, 2016

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

Friday, February 5, 2016

5:00 PM—Cub Scout Blue and Gold Dinner
7:00 PM—First Friday Friends
Saturday, February 6, 2016
8:00 AM—Men's Study
5:00 PM—PADS

Sunday, February 7, 2016

Communion Sunday
8:00 AM & 8:15 AM Adult Sunday School Class
9:00 AM—Cherub Choir
9:30 AM—Traditional Worship Service
9:30 AM—B.I.G. Time
9:30 AM—Youth & Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM—Coffee Time
11:00 AM—Contemporary Worship Service
11:00 AM—Kids' Own Worship (room 201)
2:00 PM—Boy Scouts
4:00 PM—ALPHA
4:00PM—Confirmation
4:30 PM—Joyful Noise & Choristers
6:30PM—SrHi Tide

Monday, February 8, 2016

1:00 PM— Book Talkers
7:00 PM—Inquirers' Study
7:00 PM—Troop #72
7:00 PM—Outreach

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

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

Wednesday, February 10, 2016

Ash Wednesday
9:30 AM—Staff Meeting
9:45 AM—Lectio Divina
1:00 PM—Women's Bible Study
5:30 PM— All Stars
7:00 PM— Ash Wednesday Service
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:00 PM— Jr. High Tide
7:30 PM— Troop 72 Committee

Thursday, February 4, 2016

9:00 AM— Faith Circle
12:00 PM—Living Free/AA
7:00 PM—Disciple 4
7:30 PM—Adult Choir

Friday, February 5, 2016

6:00 PM—Young Life
7:00 PM—Valentine's Dance
Saturday, February 6, 2016
8:00 AM—Men's Study
5:00 PM—PADS



The United Methodist Church
of Libertyville
January 31, 2016
9:30 & 11:00 AM

Family Sunday

The Season of Epiphany

Today's Scripture Passage

1 Corinthians 13:1-8, 13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.

And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.



PASTORS

Stephen C. Williams • Jamie Hanna Williams



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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 "Amazing Grace" R. Hobby

*** Call to Worship** Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Leader I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Living God.

People This is the day when we rejoice in the beauty of God's creation and the wonder of God's great love for us in Jesus Christ.

Leader With thanksgiving, we come to renew our love and to deepen our faith.

People We come as children, youth, and adults; as individuals, families, and friends, to learn how to love one another as Jesus loved us.

Leader Rejoice, children of God. God's Spirit is here to help us.

People With awe and wonder, we lift our voices in praise. Thanks be to God!
Amen.

*** Congregational Hymn** "For the Beauty of the Earth" No. 92 omit verse 3

* Unison Prayer

Parent God, we thank you for the homes in which we were nurtured, and for the love that our mothers and fathers had for us. We thank you for the new birth that Christ offers us through your love and for the larger family we find in the church and among all the people of the world. Through your Spirit, make us alive to love and serve you in our families, our church and our world; make us your holy children in Jesus Christ. Amen.

*** Children's Special Music** "How Many Fishes Were in the Net?" Cherub Choir
"Come, Bless the Lord" Duet by Abby & Megan McFarland

Children's Message Amanda Seibert, Director of Children and Family Ministries

First Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 6:4-9 Brittney Stephan, Youth Director

Anthem "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" L. Shackley

****Sharing Our Joys and Concerns** Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

* 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

Contemporary Service ~ 11:00 am



Gathering Into Worship

***Opening Song** "Holy Is The Lord" L. Giglio and C. Tomlin

Prayer (please be seated) Ben Hallett

Worship Together "One Thing Remains" C. Black, B. Johnson & J. Riddle

Special Children's Music "Come, Bless the Lord" Duet by Abby & Megan McFarland

Children's Message Amanda Seibert, Director of Children and Family Ministries

Community Sharing Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

Announcements and Greeting Each Other

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading I Corinthians 13:1-8,13

Message "Building Family Island" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering

Prayer

***Worship Together** "Good Good Father" A. Brown and P. Barrett

Scattering into the World



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

Multimedia Coordinators: Connor Clausen, Mark and Janet Mason

Director of Contemporary Worship and Praise Band: Mr. Ben Hallett

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.

*** Congregational Hymn** "Jesus Loves Me" No. 191

Second Scripture Reading I Corinthians 13:1-8, 13

Sermon "Building Family Island" Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

Offering / Offertory "Beautiful Savior" R. Hobby

* Doxology No. 94

* Prayer of Dedication

*** Closing Hymn** "Now Thank We All Our God" No. 102

* Pastoral Benediction

Postlude "Rise, O Children of Salvation" D. Cherwien



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 Desk at the entrance to our new Community Room 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 Aten, Jay Hazlett, Bill Vanni

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

DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES VALENTINE'S DANCE



FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 12

FROM
7:00-9:00 PM



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Tear this section off and give to Amanda, the church office or drop in the offering basket.

Name _____

How many will be attending? _____

Favorite Song(s) _____

Favorite Decade: (Please circle)

- '20s '30s '40s '50s '60s '70s '80s '90s TODAYS HITS

