

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS As announced in November, Amanda Seibert, Director of Children and Family Ministries, is stepping down from her position in 2017 to focus on her family. We are very grateful for her presence on our staff and her good ministry these past three and a half years. We are happy to announce that Jaime Zumwalt will be joining us as Interim Director. Jaime has a BA in Special Education. She and her family have been involved in our church for the past few years and she is very excited about this opportunity. We will celebrate Amanda's ministry and officially welcome Jaime in worship and with a special Fellowship Coffee on January 22.

B.I.G. TIME (Sunday School) We are in need of teachers for January, February & March. If you are able to teach, or assist a teacher, please sign up for a week (or more) at <http://signup.com/go/Z6kvJz>.

SOUPER SATURDAY is a fun and flavorful multi-generational afternoon planned for Saturday, January 28, 12:00—3:00 PM. Bring your favorite game to play and a crock pot of your favorite soup. We will try all the soups and award the top 3 favorite soups with prizes! Cost of admission is a non-perishable item per person for the Food Pantry - maybe a can of soup!?

Please sign up online at http://www.umcl.org/souper_sat_registration

SUNDAY FUNDAY is on January 29th! Children from preschool to 5th grade are invited upstairs after the Children's Sermon for movies, games and extra fun activities

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Dancing through the Decades (our annual Valentine's Dance) is on Friday, February 10th from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

All ages are invited to this sock-hop complete with ice cream sundaes.

PRIME TIME will meet on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 12:00 pm. Join us for a lunch at Noon followed by a fun afternoon of playing games to celebrate the New Year. Please bring your favorite game. Lunch is a \$5.00 charge.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS AND NOTE FROM OUR YOUTH PASTOR

Dear Friends, I am really excited to be part of this journey working with the youth of our church. I believe it's crucial to invest in our young people because they will be the future of our churches and the leaders in our society. I want to invite you to be part of this journey!

Our Youth Program currently consists of:

Confirmation Class, Every Sunday at 4:00 pm

Junior High Tide, for kids from 6th to 8th grade, Every Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Senior High Tide, for kids from 9th to 12th grade, Every Sunday from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30 am

We are looking for people willing to be a part of this journey in youth ministry. If you would like to volunteer in the youth program or just want to know more about opportunities, don't hesitate to contact me! Thank You!

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BIBLE STUDY The Wednesday afternoon Women's Bible Study started meeting on Wednesday, January 4th at 1:00 PM in Room 103 at the church. We are studying the book of 'Isaiah.' The study lasts 18 weeks. If you would like to join the study, please contact Joyce Jeffries:

john.joyce@yahoo.com. Books are \$10 Everyone is welcome to join the study.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE meets Tuesday, January 17 at 9:30. We start with refreshments, followed by a program featuring Chaplain Linda Beard from Winchester House. Chaplain Beard will speak about her work with patients and her ministry with them. All women are invited to attend the meeting. Please contact Shirley Mason at 847-362-0523 with any questions.

RUTH CIRCLE Wednesday evening, January 18th in Fellowship Hall. We invite any "crafters" for a fun evening. Crafting starts at 7:00pm, but some folks bring a sack lunch and come at 6:00 to socialize.

Call Julie Garren or Sue Hamilton for more information.

STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow. If you, or someone you know, could benefit from a Stephen Minister, please contact Kevin Garren (847-816-7340), Kathy Locke (847-816-6841), Mary Spooner (847-548-3703) or the Pastors.

CELEBRATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING WITH LAKE COUNTY UNITED On Sunday, January 15 from 2:00PM-3:30PM there will be a Lake County United assembly to both celebrate the completion of an affordable housing unit in Mundelein and update all regarding other LCU activities. It will be held at Santa Maria del Popolo Parish Center, 151 N Lincoln Ave, Mundelein. Many elected officials will be there! You should too!!!

SECOND MILE GIVING FOR JANUARY WILL SUPPORT

Lake County United-The mission of their members is to work as agents for change on issues that most impact the people of Lake County, including affordable housing, senior care, mental health, education, gun violence, and leadership development. For more information regarding recent initiatives, please go to www.lakecountyunited.org or 630-743-9649.

Breakfast Club - UMCL's own Jim Stewart functions as the coordinator of volunteers for this ministry that serves juice, fruit, granola bars and yogurt to underprivileged children at two local schools before school each day. This ministry was started in 2011 by former Pastor Jim Bell, and serves between 100-150 students per day. Volunteers staff this ministry, so all funds donated go toward the purchase of food for the children, who have shown improvement in school after participating in this program.

ASP YOUTH MISSION TRIP 2017 Youth and adult volunteers, join us for our Appalachia Service Project (ASP) youth mission trip - June 10-17, 2017! This trip is open to all currently in 8th grade and older. You will be making a difference by repairing homes in an impoverished pocket of the U.S.

(no experience necessary)

- experience the unique Appalachian culture.

- connect in Christian fellowship with homeowners and other volunteers.

- learn some new skills and have lots of fun!

Interested in signing up or have questions, contact Gonzalo Santillan (Youth Pastor) at gonzalo.santillan@umcl.org or by phone 612-735-9015 or Steve Neil (Adult Leader) at sbneil@comcast.net or by phone at 224-475-8701. For more info—ASP Informational Meeting Sunday February 12th, 5:30-6:15 PM



The United Methodist Church of Libertyville

January 8, 2017

9:30 & 11:00 AM

The Season of Epiphany

Today's Scripture Passages

Psalm 46:10

"Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth."

Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:

"But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for out of you will come a ruler
who will shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.



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 We have come to praise God who has done wonderful things among us.

People In Jesus the Christ, God has shown us love, giving light for our darkness and strength for all our days.

Leader Sing praise to God's name, bow before God in prayer, open your hearts to God's saving presence and word.

People Arise, shine, for your light has come!

*** Congregational Hymn** "We Three Kings" No. 254

Unison Prayer

Radiant God, all nations are drawn to your light; all people proclaim your praise. You befriend the forsaken and the lost; you are the help of the oppressed; for you have come to us in Jesus Christ. We rejoice in your great love for the world and we rise to praise you, together with people of all nations, races and cultures. Glory to you, O God! Amen.

Children's Message Gonzalo Santillan, Youth Pastor

First Scripture Reading Psalm 46

Anthem Adult Choir

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



* 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

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*** Congregational Hymn** "Be Still My Soul" No. 534

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon "Drop Your Weapons!" Gonzalo Santillan

Offering / Offertory
*Doxology No. 94
*Prayer of Dedication

*** Closing Hymn** "Go Tell It On The Mountain" No. 251

***Pastoral Benediction**

Postlude

We welcome our Youth Pastor, Gonzalo Santillan, to the pulpit this Sunday. Gonzo and his wife Annie joined us in October. We are delighted to have him preach today!



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: Daniel Fouts, Janet & Mark Mason
Ushers: Jane & John Aten, Jay Hazlett, Bill Vanni

Choir Director: Dr. Jeff Brown

Music Director & Organist: Mr. James Grace

Contemporary Service ~ 11:00 am



Gathering Into Worship Ben Hallett

Sing Together "He is Exalted" H. Seeley
With Praise Band

Prayer Psalm 46

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Community Share & Prayer Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams
Greeting Each Other
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Congregational Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-12 Annalise Santillan

Message "Drop Your Weapons!" Gonzalo Santillan

Offering "Go Tell It On The Mountain" Seabird

Blessing

Scattering into the World



Worship Team Dave Beddell, Gina Furner, Jacqueline & Ben Hallett, Dan Joyce, Tom Seibert, Tim Tonon,

Multimedia Coordinators Laurie & Kevin Kaya

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.

UMCL Calendar

Sunday, January 8, 2017

Pajama Sunday
8:00 AM—Cornerstone
8:15 AM—Explorers Class
9:30 AM—Journey of Faith
9:30 AM— Traditional Service
9:30 AM— B.I.G. Time
11:00 AM—Children’s Ministry Mtg
11:00 AM— Contemporary Service
11:00 AM—Kids Own Worship

Monday, January 9, 2017

10:00 AM—Lectio
12:00 PM—Prime Time
5:45 PM—Brownie Troop 43072
7:00 PM—Outreach

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

9:30 AM—Women’s Spiritual Growth
12:00 PM— AA/Living Free
7:00 PM—Stephen Ministry
7:00 PM—SPRC
7:30 PM— AA/Living Free

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

8:45 AM—Mini Memos
9:30 AM—Staff Meeting
1:00 PM—Women’s Bible Study
5:45 PM—All Stars
7:00 PM—Spiritual Growth
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:00 PM—Jr. High Tide

Thursday, January 12, 2017

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

Friday, January 13, 2017

6:00 PM—Young Life
7:00 PM—Pack 72

Saturday, January 14, 2017

8:00 AM—Pack 72-Pinewood Derby
4:30 PM—PADS

Sunday, January 15, 2017

8:00 AM—Cornerstone
8:15 AM—Explorers Class
9:00 AM—Confirmation meets-go Offsite
9:30 AM—Journey of Faith
9:30 AM— Traditional Service
9:30 AM— B.I.G. Time
11:00 AM— Contemporary Service
11:00 AM—Kids Own Worship
6:30 PM—Senior High Youth

Monday, January 16, 2017

10:00 AM—Lectio

Tuesday, January 17, 2017

9:30 AM—Women’s Spiritual Growth
12:00 PM— AA/Living Free
7:00 PM—Resource Meeting
7:30 PM— AA/Living Free

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

9:30 AM—Staff Meeting
1:00 PM—Women’s Bible Study
6:00 PM—Ruth Circle
7:00 PM—Heritage Bells
7:00 PM—Jr. High Tide
7:30 PM—Scout Master Meeting

Thursday, January 19, 2017

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

Friday, January 20, 2017

No Scheduled Activities

Saturday, January 21, 2017

4:30 PM—PADS

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