FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH January 21, 2024

Welcome to First UMC Commerce!

We Gather

Prelude"Voluntary in G Major"W. BoyceWelcome & AnnouncementsPastor Cheryl[You are invited to sign our attendance register. Fill outyour contact information to receive emails about activitiesgoing on in the church.]Enter with AcolytesWyatt Bourcy

We Praise

Call to Worship "Surely the Presence of the Lord" * Hymn "Come, Thou Faunt of Every Blessing" UMH 400

* Words of Worship Genesis 1:1-5 Leader: The voice of God calls to us! Are you

listening?

People: Speak, Lord, your servants are listening. Leader: The hands of God beckon us! Are you paying attention?

People: Show us, Lord, your servants are paying attention.

Leader: The love of God asks us – are you ready to follow?

People: Guide us, Lord, as we, your servants, will follow.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God whose tenacious love never stops calling and beckoning and asking us to follow.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

* Hymn *"Open My Eyes, That I May See"* UMH 454 Passing the Peace Peace be with you. And also with you.

We Proclaim

Children's Moment Amy Stark * Anthem *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"* E. Thiman Scripture 1 Samuel 3:1-10 Message **Speak, Lord, Your** Pastor Cheryl Servant is Listening

We Respond

Prayers

Call to Prayer "*Listen to Your Children Praying*" Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer

Giving

Invitation to Generosity Offertory *"Lord God, We Praise Thee All"*

J. C. Oley

* Doxology

UMH 95

Pastor Cheryl

We Go Forth

- * Hymn "Blessed Assurance" UMH 369
- * Sending Forth to Serve

* Choral Benediction "Go Now and Live" Postlude "Canzone Francese" in F Major B. Pasquini *You are invited to stand.

Worship Leaders

Cheryl Murray Pastor Gene Lockhart, Choir Director John Burkett, Organist John Mark Dempsey, Sound Tech Claire Floyd, Video Tech Our January Mission of the Month is the Pastor's Benevolence Fund. Every dollar bill dropped in the collection plate (or check with "Pastor's Fund" in the memo line) will benefit this mission. Scan the QR code to give online and select Mission of the Month.



Children's Sunday School meets in the Family Ministry Center right after the Children's Moment during worship. The Friendship Class meets in the Friendship Classroom after worship. Everyone is invited.



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The Serve team is collecting hats, gloves and socks for our blessing table neighbors. Look for a collection box in the gathering





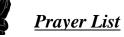
Because of your generosity last month, \$1000 has been donated to Operacion Abrigo to help support their mission of building homes in Juarez, Mexico.

Go to <u>https://www.operacionabrigo.org/</u> to learn more.

Upcoming Activities

January 23-Men's Breakfast Group meets at 8am January 23-Women's Study Group meets at 5:15pm January 24-Little Ark Chapel at 11am January 24-Country Home Estates worship at 2pm January 24-Choir rehearsal at 7pm January 25-Prayer Shawl crafting at 9:30am January 25-M&M meets from 3:45-5:30pm January 25-Foundation meets at 6:30pm

Ministers	All Members of the Congregation
Pastor	Rev. Cheryl Murray
Office & Communication	ns Sharon Duncan
Financial Secretary	Mariann Andrews
Children/Youth Director	Ashlyn Woods
Children's Music Director	r Meagan Jones
Little Ark Director	Jennifer Knight
Choir Director	Gene Lockhart
Organist	Dr. John Burkett
Custodians	Sandra & Fernanda Medrano



- All who are affected by the war in Israel
- Nell Brown
- Shealee Morgan
- Luanne Huffman and family
- Betty Martin
- Carlos Rickman
- Jack McDaniel
- Mike Smith
- Sgt. Kyle Ray Capps
- Don Daffron
- Bob Clark
- Kerry Clark
- Clarence Jensen
- Jack Kelly, Jill Grove's father
- Vance Underhill
- Glenda Helton
- Joe Milligan
- Rob Lee
- Rita Thompson
- Suzanne Kizer Carter
- Priscilla McFarland
- Michael Vickers, Ginny Haight's father
- Jack Gray
- Richard Stapleton, Al Stapleton's brother
- Tom Bailey
- Pete and Ann Chamberlain
- Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
- Bill Heitholt
- Janet & Jim Payne, family of Becky Coker
- Manuel Harrison
- Georgia Gholston
- Melanie Corteal
- Judy Corteal
- Harold & Becky Coker
- Mabel & Carl Little
- Brenda Mosley Longhoffer
- Robert Seay
- Dudley Shaw



Third Sunday after Epiphany



Contact Pastor Cheryl Murray at 940-613-5375 or at CherylMurray2020@outlook.com

January 21, 2024 10:00am Sanctuary