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January 19, 2014
Second Sunday after Epiphany

GATHERING & WELCOME

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Please pass the Peace of Christ to your neighbor.

MOMENTS OF INFORMALITY

**THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
THE WORK OF THE CHURCH**

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

MUSIC OF PREPARATION “Love Lifted Me”

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Listen, O coastlands. Pay attention, you people of God.

P: God has called each of us to be a light to the nations.

L: The Lord has put a new song in our lives, a song of praise to our God.

P: We will sing of God's salvation. We will shout of God's faithfulness.

L: Listen, O coastlands. Pay attention, you people of God.

P: God has called each of us to be a light to the nations.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Holy One, may our lives be like polished arrows in the quiver of your searching love; may our intentions be pure, and may our words be true, as we proclaim your saving ways. Call us once again, O God, as you called Isaiah and Paul before us. Call us to deliver news of your goodness and mercy into a world of brokenness and pain, that your salvation might reach the ends of the earth, and your mercy might extend to the farthest shores. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 557** “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”
Children come forward during the last verse.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

ANTHEM 10:45 “K-K-Kazoo” - SonShiners

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 49:1-7

RESPONSIVE READING No. 774 Psalm 40:1-11

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Renew My Soul, O Lord”

***DOXOLOGY No. 87, v.4**

“These gifts we now bring, these presents, these tokens,
These words can convey it, the joy of this day!
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
This song we now offer in honor and praise!”

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

Great God and Architect of the Universe, you who have chosen us and called us to be a light to the nations, so that salvation might reach the farthest corners of the world. Bless the gifts we give today, take them and consecrate them to touch lives, make disciples, and transform the world. Not these gifts alone, but through the light we can shine in the lives we live in every ordinary day, that others might be drawn to you. We pray in the precious name of Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN No. 140 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Altar is open during the hymn.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. AMEN

SERMON SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

SERMON

***HYMN OF PARTING No. 156 “I Love to Tell the Story”**

BENEDICTION

***MUSIC OF PARTING “Make a Joyful Noise”**

***Those who are able, please stand.**

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Today, Sunday, January 19

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 8:15 Worship
- 9:30 Sunday School
- 10:45 Worship
- 12:00 Soup Luncheon
- 2:00 FISH & CHIPS
- 4:00 Temple Bells
- 4:45 SonShiners

Monday, January 20

Martin Luther King's Birthday

Office Closed

- 7:00 Dartball -A

Tuesday, January 21

Office closes at 1:00 PM

- 5:30 Gym in use
- 6:15 TOPS
- 7:00 Church Council
- 7:30 NA

Wednesday, January 22

Office closes at 1:00 PM

- 7:00 Yoga
- 7:00 Women's Book Study

Thursday, January 23

Office closes at 1:00 PM

- 5:30 Gym in use
- 6:15 C Bells
- 7:00 Disciple 3
- 7:15 Choir

Friday, January 24

Office closes at Noon

Gym in use

Saturday, January 25

Gym in use

Next Sunday, January 26

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 8:15 Worship
- 9:30 Sunday School
- 10:45 Worship
- 2:00 FISH & CHIPS
- 4:00 Temple Bells
- 4:45 SonShiners

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S COLLECTIONS: This week our children's collection will be for Human Relations Day, which is one of the Special Sundays of The United Methodist Church. It encourages social justice and work with at-risk youth. It supports Community Developers, United Methodist Voluntary Service and Youth Offender Rehabilitation Programs..

Bethany House – 1/5/14 - \$265.14 1/12/14 - \$128.82

OUTREACH WINTER SOUP LUNCHEON: The luncheon will be held today following the second service. Bring your hearty appetite and join us for some really good soup and fellowship.



'SOUPER BOWL' SUNDAY: Sunday, February 2nd we will celebrate Souper Bowl Sunday at our church. If you would like to donate soup, other non-perishable items (such as cake mix, icing, easy to prepare desserts & side dishes), toiletries, or baby items (especially diapers) the Foodbank shopping cart will be in the Narthex during both services next Sunday. Thank you in advance for you support.



MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION SERVICE: The Greensburg and Pittsburgh Districts together will be hosting the Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Service today, beginning at 4 p.m. at the Monroeville United Methodist Church, 219 Center Road, Monroeville PA 15146. Bishop Warner H. Brown Jr. of the San Francisco Area in the California-Nevada Conference will be the guest speaker for the event.

THE MARCH ON WASHINGTON EVENT scheduled for February 3, 2014 at 7 pm at Garden City UMC has been cancelled and will be rescheduled at a later date.

ATTENTION FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS...Our next meeting will not be until Tuesday, February 4th at 7 PM in the church office. We are trying to work around the best times for Pastor David, Nellie and Debbie to be present as we review our 2013 end of year report. There are (6) new members joining our committee which I am very excited about...thank you!

LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION! MURDER? Tickets for the mystery dinner on sale today! The mystery dinner will be Saturday, February 8 at 6pm. Tickets will be sold after both services for the next two weeks. There will be no tickets sold at the door. Invite your friends, neighbors and coworkers. Only 80 tickets available. The price of the tickets are \$12 per person. Put on your thinking caps for an evening of puzzle-solving fun.

CAMP BROCHURES ARE IN! Please stop by the table in the narthex and take one home if you are considering camping at one of our three United Methodist Camps. There's a camp for everyone! Funding is available if needed and Camp Gift Certificates can be purchased as a gift for a camper. Camping is a great experience for anyone at any age! Mark your calendar to get away this summer!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are always in need of volunteers to help with our worship services. Below is a list of the areas where help is needed. If you are interested in helping in any of the areas, please speak to the contact person or place a note in the offering plate and we will have them contact you.

Worship Hosts – assist the pastor on Sunday mornings by opening the service, leading the congregation in announcements, prayers, scripture passages, and the collection of the morning offering. Worship Hosts normally serve for a month at a time, however, there is also a need for people who can fill in for a week occasionally when the monthly Worship Host is unable to attend. To help the Worship Host prepare for the service, a copy of the bulletin is emailed to them on the Friday prior to the service.

Greeters – welcome worshipers to our church each Sunday. Their warm welcome to visitors and weekly worshipers helps to make the services an inviting and friendly place to be. Some of our Greeters serve once a month, others once or twice a year.

Ushers – assist with seating worshipers and collecting the offering. Ushers work in teams and each team is on duty for a month at a time. However, if you can only serve for a week now and then, your help is needed too.

Choir – Each Sunday one of our Choirs perform an inspiring musical selection. Various choirs are available for all age groups and they practice once a week. Soloists are also encouraged to share their voices with our congregation.

Acolytes – Bringing God’s light into our Sanctuary and lighting the altar candles to begin the worship service and extinguishing the candles after the service to carry God’s light into the world is a very important job. We encourage all of our youth to take a turn at being an Acolyte.

Nursery Attendants – Each week we open our nursery during the 10:45 AM worship service to families with

can enjoy the worship service. Nursery attendants are asked to serve once or twice a year. According to our Safe Sanctuary rules, adult attendants must have clearances on file in the church office. Applications are in the office and the church will pay the fees

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY (FPU) is coming to Monroeville United Methodist Church, 219 Center Road, Monroeville, PA 15146. This is a 9-week course written by Dave Ramsey on personal finance education. We will hold a FREE preview on January 22 at 7 p.m. The full-course sessions will begin on February 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m. The preview session will include more information about the course, materials and cost.

Financial Peace University provides biblically based, common-sense education and empowerment which gives HOPE to everyone from the financially secure to the financially distressed. We all need a plan for our money. Dave's class will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more! Dave Ramsey is a nationally known author of several books about managing money and getting out of debt, including *The Total Money Makeover*, *Complete Guide to Money*, *Financial Peace* and more. He also has a nationally syndicated radio talk show which airs locally on 104.7 FM. To register for the preview or the entire series, please call the church office at 412-372-7474. Betty Henderson, Coordinator of Communication Ministries, Monroeville United Methodist Church. Communications@MonroevilleUMC.org

INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE: Free Income Tax Service will again be offered for taxpayers in this area who have low and moderate incomes. This assistance will come from IRS trained volunteer tax councilors who will help in the preparation of Federal and State income tax returns, and for those who qualify, PA Property Tax/Rent Rebate Forms. Tax payers are asked to bring a copy of 2012's Federal and State returns along with all of their 2013 tax records and property tax receipts. You must also bring a photo ID and proof of Social Security numbers. This service will be offered from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM at:

North Huntingdon Townhouse

Tuesday & Thursday, February 4 – April 5

St. Regis RC Church, Trafford

Alternating Mondays, beginning February 3

Jeannette Senior Center (by appointment 724-527-3200)

Wednesdays, February 5 – April 9

Penn Township Library (by appointment 724-744-4414 ext 0)

Every Friday, February 7 – April 11 (excluding March 7)