

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY, January 16

- 9:30 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship Hour
- 10:30 a.m. - Worship and Communion
- 5:00 p.m. - Faith & Hope Women's AA

MONDAY, January 17

- 6:30 p.m. - Scouts
- 7:00 p.m. - HA Meeting in Lounge

TUESDAY, January 18

- 6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts

WEDNESDAY, January 19

- 9:00 a.m. - Quilters
- 7:00 p.m. - Altar Guild

SUNDAY, January 23

- 9:30 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship Hour
- 10:30 a.m. - Worship and Communion
- 10:30 a.m. - Sunday School
- 5:00 p.m. - Faith & Hope Women's AA

Attendance on January 9, 2022: 45 + 18 Online

Received Week of 1-2: \$2844.00

Received Week of 1-9: \$1806.00

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Human Relations Sunday



Firestone Park United Methodist Church
Worship Celebration & Communion
2nd Sunday after the Epiphany
Human Relations Sunday

January 16, 2022

10:30 a.m.

INVITATION

Opening Declaration

Pastor: Christ our Lord is risen today!
 People: He is risen indeed!

Prelude

Amy Beery

(Please take this time to prepare yourself for worship.)

***Call to Worship**

Leader: The Lord has declared victory.
 People: And has revealed his vindication in the sight
 of the nations.

***Gloria Patri**

On Screen

***Unison Prayer**

On Screen

**Almighty God, your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, is
 the light of the world. Grant that your people,
 illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine
 with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be
 known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the
 earth, now and for ever. Amen.**

Litany for Human Relations Day

Louise Forsch

Leader: Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us. As we
 gather in this place, allow your Spirit to fill our
 very being.

**People: As we worship today, we remember our
 brothers and sisters who are worshipping
 elsewhere throughout the world. Inspire**

**each of us to work more faithfully for justice and
 dignity of life everywhere.**

Leader: Raise our vision above the barriers of color,
 culture, and creed that separate us. Give us
 wisdom as we deal with one another. Help us
 to recognize and to respect different ways,
 rather than to judge.

People: **In the Spirit of Jesus who came not to be
 served, but to serve, we now must walk in the
 world. We must reach out our hands with
 help and open our hearts in love. Awake in us
 the desire to seek your way of serving you in
 the world. Amen.**

***Opening Hymn** "Lift Every Voice and Sing" UMH pg. 519

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 62: 1-5 Louise Forsch

Responsive Reading Psalm 36: 5-10 Louise Forsch/UMH pg.771

Sharing Joys and Concerns Pastor Sam

Morning Prayer/LORD'S Prayer Pastor Sam

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 Louise Forsch

***Gospel Reading** John 2: 1-11 Pastor Sam

Sermon "Light" Pastor Sam

Holy Communion On Screen
(Communion cups are available in the back of the sanctuary.)

***Closing Hymn** "Fill My Cup, Lord" UMH pg. 641

***Benediction** Pastor Sam

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a

Luke 4: 14-21



Your 2021 Giving Statements are on the table in the back of the sanctuary. The next newsletter will be available by the end of January. There is no January issue. It will be February/March. Also, if you have not yet turned in your 2022 commitment card, please do so ASAP. If you did not receive a card, you can either call Nancy in the office or send an email with your pledge.

2022 LITURGIST LIST AND ALTAR FLOWER CHART

We are still in need of liturgists for the year. The sign up sheet is on the table in the back of the sanctuary. The Altar Flower Chart is now hanging in the outer office. ***There are still several dates available for both lists.***

ATTENTION MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: If you, a family member, or friend have a health concern or any other concerns, please, contact either Pastor Sam, call the office, or send us an email. We cannot offer any prayers or help if we do not know. Pastor Sam's phone 330-607-4006. Pastor Sam's email: sc71martin@gmail.com
Church email: church@firestoneparkumc.com.

USE OF FELLOWSHIP HALL and ENTERING THE BUILDING

As a reminder, please contact Nancy Thomas in the church office if you would like to use the fellowship hall for any reason. If you are planning an event for the church or any groups in the church, please let the office know at least one month before your event date. Also, if you are entering the building during office hours and you do not use the main entrance off of the parking lot, please let the office know you are in the building.

God-Given Vision and Mission

The Kingdom of God Here on Earth.
Love Unconditionally! Serve Unselfishly! Rejoice Unceasingly!

Altar flowers provided to the glory of God by:

Louise Forsch
In Loving Honor of Elaine's Birthday

Prayers, Concerns, and Joy Requests for this week:

Prayers & Concerns: Continued healing for our members and friends: Laura Munroe and family, John and Betty Oprian, Jim Moore, Jennifer Meyer, Marge and Bob Lloyd, Patty Moyer, Claire Russell and all families dealing with COVID, for First Responders and all persons who work in the medical field; unspoken concerns for healing.

Joys: Evelyn Bachtel is happy to see everyone and back in worship; Vance for a sobriety anniversary.

Sympathy: For Gene Lauro and family on the passing of his brother, Tony; and for the family and friends of Donna Wallace who has passed away. May they rest in the arms of the Lord.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to the current surge of COVID, we are asking that you wear a mask regardless of vaccination status. Please observe social distancing and only sit in pews that have a bow on them. Thank you!

If you or a loved one are hospitalized, please call Pastor Sam 330-607-4006 or the church office 330-773-7636. Hospitals no longer notify us.

Please be sure to fill out your attendance card each week. This helps us to have an accurate attendance count and your name is tagged as in attendance. If you have any prayer requests, joys, or concerns, please give your card to an usher.