

Charge Conference

The 2016 Charge Conference will be held here this evening at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Members of the Administrative Board are voting members and should seek to be present at this meeting.

NOW Team Meeting

The NOW team will be meeting Monday, November 7 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone and everyone is invited to participate in this meeting. If you would like to help with the ministries in the church that reach out to the community, please mark you calendar to attend this meeting.

Election Day is Tuesday, November 8



Veteran’s Day

The church office will be closed Friday, November 11, in observance of Veteran’s Day. Remember to take a moment to thank a veteran for their service.

Administrative Board Meeting

The Administrative Board will meet Sunday, November 13 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All members are asked to be in attendance for this meeting.

United Methodist Men Meeting

The United Methodist Men will meet Monday, November 14 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The Asbury Circle will be preparing the meal for this meeting. Please contact Bill Cole if you plan on attending.

Finance Committee Meeting

The Finance Committee will meet Tuesday, November 15 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All members are asked to be in attendance for this meeting.

Trailer Missions

The Trailer Missions Program will be doing special boxes this month for Thanksgiving. The cost to sponsor a box is \$5.00. The United Methodist Church District Office will be supplying all the hams to complete the boxes. If you are interested in helping with this program, please contact the church office. The Trailer Missions Group will be delivering the boxes on Friday, November 18. They will be meeting here at the church at 5:30 pm and leave from the church shortly thereafter.

Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, November 24



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Welcome to A Very Special
Worship Service

Today we celebrate All Saint’s Sunday, one of the major feasts of the Christian liturgical calendar. On this day, the liturgy is quite expansive. Everyone will need to closely follow since we will be going through Confirmation, and having persons profess their faith and join the church. Pastor Terry and our District Superintendent, Pastor Jeff, will concelebrate the communion liturgy using a special sung litany with a refrain repeated by the congregation.



For All the Saints

Help Raise Funds for the Youth Ministries by Shopping at Food City

Christy Smith will be taking orders next Sunday for Food City gift cards. You pay full face value and the church gets to keep 5% when we place the order. Cards should be available within two weeks of your order. Help support the Youth ministries with this simple fund raising project.



ASSISTED LISTENING
DEVICES AVAILABLE



We now have four assisted listening devices available for use on Sunday morning. Each device is about the size of a deck of cards and comes with a set of ear buds or a loop that works with your hearing aid. You may get a device from one of the sound technicians. If you use the

ear buds, they will be saved in a bag for you to reuse at the next worship service. You may sit anywhere in the congregation and you have an individual volume control on each device. If you are having difficulty hearing the service, then please feel free to try one of these devices.

You can sponsor a bulletin. For \$15, we can put color on one side and for \$25 we can put color on both sides. Contact the office to see if the Sunday you want is available.

This Bulletin is
sponsored
by...

Bill and Judy Cole
In Honor of Andrew Holyfield

An Order of Worship for All Saint’s Sunday

Sunday November 6, 2016

Welcome and Announcements Diane Botts

*The Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Today is a day that is held in tension.
People: We are surrounded by the past yet looking toward the future.

Leader: A past that reminds us of the blessings and presence of God with us in joys as well as in sorrow.
People: And a future filled with promises.

Leader: A future when death and mourning and crying and pain will be no more.
People: And God proclaims, “See, I am making all things new.”

Leader: Today we worship the one who was, is and is to come.
People: Let us worship in word, song and service.
—Based on Revelation 21:1-6a.

* Opening Hymn: “For All the Saint’s” No. 711

A Time for Prayer

(You will be given an opportunity to lift up joys and concerns. Please raise your hand and an usher will come by with a microphone so that everyone can hear you. As each person completes their joy or concern we shall all say: Lord. In your mercy. Hear our prayers.)

* The Gloria Patri No. 70

The Children’s Message: Diane Botts

A Time to Worship God Through the Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Ushers: Christy Smith, Kathleen Gillespie, Nancy Allman, Jackie Mainous

The Offertory Prayer

Offertory Music

* The Doxology No. 95

*The Choral Anthem: “Back to the Church in the Wildwood”

The Reading of God’s Word Bennie Turner

Scripture: Hebrews 12

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord, for the People of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon: “A Cloud of Witnesses”

Pastor Terry:
Renew our Communion, with all your saints;
Especially now, those whose names we read
Dead or living matters not, all belong to you...

Names of church members that have died in the last year shall be read first.

Names of all others that were submitted for this service will then be read.

Names of persons living and dead may then be said from the congregation.

Pastor Jeff:
Surrounded by these witnesses;
help us run with faith our race.
Holy, living gratitude. Ourselves we give.
We embrace His mystery — how he died and was set free —
How He rose; He’ll come again. In Him we live.

Refrain: People needing, Spirit leading, Jesus feeding all who come to Him.
Bread for tending, cup for mending, Spirit sending us to serve the world.

Pastor Terry:
Pour your Spirit, gift divine, on these gifts of bread and wine.
And on all who gather here to give you thanks.
May thee gifts become for us blood and body of our Lord
So that we in turn may be life for the world.

Refrain: People needing, Spirit leading, Jesus feeding all who come to Him.
Bread for tending, cup for mending, Spirit sending us to serve the world.

Both Pastors Shall Sing:
By your Spirit make us one with each other and with Christ,
And in service to the world, till Jesus comes.
Now to you, the Three-in-One, Maker, Spirit, Christ, the Son
Be all glory, thanks, and praise forever more.

Refrain: People needing, Spirit leading, Jesus feeding all who come to Him.
Bread for tending, cup for mending, Spirit sending us to serve the world.

Pastor Terry: Now may we all join together in praying the prayer that Christ has taught us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed by 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.

The elements will be distributed via Intinction. You will come forward to one of the serving stations and will be given a piece of bread. You will then dip the bread into the juice and eat the bread.

The Pastoral Benediction

*Choral Benediction: “God Be With You Till We Meet Again”

The Postlude

* Indicates that you may stand, as you are able.

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Jason Holbrook	Lucy Bisanar
Dorothy Gwaldis	Irene Bowden
Helen Ringley	Hope Meade

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Leader to people:

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People to leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Leader and people: Glory to God. Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

The Great Thanksgiving for All Saint’s Sunday

(We will use a sung communion liturgy today. The text is set to the tune of “Here I Am Lord”.
The refrain will be sung by all members of the congregation.)

Pastor Jeff:

God be with you in all love. Lift your hearts to God above.
It is right and good to give our thanks and praise.
Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power, and might, and love,
Earth and heav’n, in one accord sing out their praise.

Refrain: People needing, Spirit leading, Jesus feeding all who come to Him.
Bread for tending, cup for mending, Spirit sending us to serve the world.

Pastor Terry:

Sing Hosanna to the Lord, to the Christ, the One who comes
In the holy name of God, to heal and save.
Preached the good news to the poor, fed the hungry, and proclaimed
Freedom, life to all oppressed, a brand new pledge.

Refrain: People needing, Spirit leading, Jesus feeding all who come to Him.
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Pastor Jeff:

On the night His life was giv’n, Jesus took the bread of heav’n.
Thanking God, He broke it all. Remember me.
Then He took the common cup, new forgiveness lifting up.
Thanking God, He gave to all. Remember me.

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THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT I

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

1 The pastor makes the following statement to the congregation:

Brothers and sisters in Christ:
Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church.
We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit.
All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

2 If there are confirmations or reaffirmations, the pastor continues:

Through confirmation, and through the reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism,
acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy Church.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

3 The mentor of each confirmand shall present the candidates with the appropriate statements:

Mary Beth Allen: I present Daniel Goodman for his Profession of Faith and his Confirmation.

Kenny Spurlock: I present Andrew Holyfield for his Confirmation.

Martha Spurlock: I present Addison Toney for her Profession of Faith and her Confirmation.

Bill Cole: I present Jamie Turner for his Confirmation.

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

4 Pastor Jeff Says: Since the earliest times, the vows of Christian baptism have consisted first of the renunciation of all that is evil and then the profession of faith and loyalty to Christ. Parents or other sponsors reaffirmed these vows for themselves while taking the responsibilities of sponsorship of their children when they were baptized as infants. Candidates for confirmation now profess, for themselves, the solemn vows that were made at their baptism.

Pastor Terry addresses parents or other sponsors and those candidates who can answer for themselves:

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

Confirmands will answer: I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

Confirmands will answer: I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

Confirmands will answer: I do.

6 Pastor Terry addresses candidates who can answer for themselves:

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?

Confirmands will answer: I will.

7 If those who have answered for themselves have sponsors, Pastor Terry addresses the sponsors:

Will you who sponsor these candidates support and encourage them in their Christian life?

Mentors will answer: I will.

8 *Pastor Terry addresses the congregation, and the congregation responds:*

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

Congregation responds: We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include *these persons* now before you in your care?

Congregation responds by saying:

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround *these persons* with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in *their* trust of God, and be found faithful in *their* service to others. We will pray for *them*, that *they* may be *true disciples* who *walk* in the way that leads to life.

9 **Pastor Jeff shall say:** The Apostles' Creed in threefold question-and-answer form appeared at least as early as the third century as a statement of faith used in baptisms and has been widely used in baptisms ever since. I now ask the candidates, the mentors, and local congregation to join with the universal Church across the ages in this historic affirmation of the Christian faith.

Pastor Jeff addresses all, and the congregation joins the candidates and their parents and sponsors in responding:

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
[who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.]**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
[the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.]**

CONFIRMATION OR REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

12 *Here water may be used symbolically in ways that cannot be interpreted as baptism, as the pastor says:*

The Pastor Jeff shall say: We are about to confirm each of these young persons. This will be done one at a time. I invite members of their families, mentors, and friends from the congregation to come forward and lay hands upon their heads and shoulders as the following prayer is offered....

Pastor Terry will touch the water and mark each confirmand on the forehead with the sign of the cross while saying...

Name, the Holy Spirit work within you, that having been born through water and the Spirit, you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

CONFIRMANDS RECEIVE THEIR STOLES

Pastor Jeff shall say: As a part of the confirmation process, the confirmands created a stole with the help of Susan Herndon and Christy Smith. In scriptural terms the stole is a physical representation of the yolk of servitude that each Christian has with Jesus Christ. We are bound together—yoked together—with him as we live out our faith journeys.

We now present these stoles to each of the confirmands to help remind them of their commitments, vows, and servitude to Christ.

Pastor Terry and Pastor Jeff shall go individually to each confirmand. Pastor Jeff shall take the stole from the mentor who is holding it. Pastor Jeff shall place the stole upon the confirmand. Both pastors and those gathered around shall place their hands on the confirmands and Pastor Terry shall say:

May God bless you in your Christian journey and your unfolding ministry as a part of the priesthood of all believers. I love you. Your mentor loves you. Your parents love you. The members of the church love you. Most importantly, though, God loves you and we will all be with you each step of this journey that you are beginning today. Amen.

RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

14 *Pastor Jeff addresses all those who have been confirmed and or professed their own faith:*

Previously Andrew and Jamie have made their Profession of Faith and taken the vows of membership and united with this church. So, I am now addressing Daniel and Addison...

As *members* of Christ's universal Church, will you be loyal to The United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

Confirmands will respond: I will.

RECEPTION INTO THE LOCAL CONGREGATION

15 *Pastor Terry addresses all those wishing to become members of this church by saying...*

As *members* of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness?

Confirmands and others joining will respond: I will.

I am also happy to report that Sandy Wright has requested that her membership be moved to Trinity UMC and we welcome her to our congregation this morning as well.

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

16 *Pastor Jeff addresses the congregation:*

Members of the household of God, I commend *these persons* to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase *their* faith, confirm *their* hope, and perfect *them* in love.

The congregation responds:

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love.

**As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church
by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness
that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

Pastor Terry addresses those baptized, confirmed, or received:

The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,
establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace.

Pastor Terry then says:

We will now continue our service with the Sacrament of Holy Communion. I will be inviting the confirmands to first receive the elements and to then, as their first act of service as new members of the church, to serve them to the members of the congregation....

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.