

The Sunday Bulletin
First United Methodist Church of Mount Clemens

Seventh Sunday After The Epiphany

February 19th, 2012

Welcome to Worship!



◆ Ministers ~ The Congregation

- ◆ Pastors ~ The Reverends Carman & Donna Minarik
- ◆ Pastor Emeritus ~ The Reverend William Rickard
- ◆ Director of Music & Worship Ministries ~ Michael Emshwiller
- ◆ Director of Children's & Youth Ministries ~ Kim Evans
- ◆ Oasis Praise Coordinators ~ Rick Eldridge & Sue Rosso
- ◆ Pianist ~ Bonnie Robbins-McCormick (Second Service)
- ◆ Nursery Director ~ Tasheena Lewis
- ◆ Custodian ~ Tony Lucido
- ◆ Head Usher ~ Keith Rosso
- ◆ Administrative Assistant ~ Steve Loveland

I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'
~ Psalm 122:1

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First United Methodist Church is a welcoming, accepting, caring, and diverse Christian community committed to teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people through faith-based worship, exciting programs and outreach ministry. We offer two opportunities for worship on Sunday mornings. The 9:15am service is a less formal, contemporary service of praise music. The 11:00am service is more traditional in its music and liturgy. Both services are designed to connect worshippers with God in a meaningful and relevant way, and the scripture and message are the same at each.

Your participation in worship today is truly a blessing. We welcome an opportunity to talk with you about the ministries of this congregation, the Christian faith or United Methodist beliefs. If you are interested in baptism or making this community of faith your church home, please contact Reverend Carman Minarik or Reverend Donna Minarik at the Church Office.

❁ A calendar for dedicating flowers is located on the door of the Sacristy in the Sanctuary's East Parlor.

◆ A staffed nursery for infants and children to three years of age is outside the doors at the right of the front of the Sanctuary.

◆ A "cry room" is located at the rear of the Sanctuary.

It is equipped with rocking chairs and quiet toys where you may comfort a child while hearing the service.

◆ Please join us for Fellowship Time with snacks, beverages, and, of course, fellowship!

(It's in the Multipurpose Room between services on Two Service Sundays, or after service on Single Service Sundays.)

<i>Serving as Greeters Today are:</i>	At the 9:15am Service	At the 11:00am Service	<i>Entrance</i>
	Jim & Linda Willneff	Jan & Tony Hudock	<i>East</i>
	Esther Patane	Jessica & Kim Evans	<i>West</i>
	Julie Strayer	Richard & Shirley French	<i>Cass</i>

If you'd like to greet before a service, please mark your *Activity & Ministry Opportunity Sheet* or speak with Joyce Wells.

First United Methodist Church

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Worship Notes

~ 9:15am Service ~

Praise Singing Led by Oasis Praise in Today's Service Includes:

<i>As Long As I Have You</i>	Roach
<i>Here We Are</i>	Cloninger/Moen
<i>All Your Promises are True</i>	Wexelberg
<i>You, You Are God</i>	Beach

Scripture Lesson

2Corinthians 1:18-22

Pew Bible, NT Pg. 179

Sermon

Yes and No

Rev. Carman Minarik

Also in Today's Service

Other Music

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands
The Junior Choirs

Traditional

Especially for Children

This worship service includes a message especially for the children. Near the start of the service, the children are invited to come to the Chancel Steps for the *Children's Message*. Following it, children from three years of age to fifth grade are welcome to attend Sunday School Classes and a teacher will lead the children to their classroom downstairs. Children are also very much welcome in worship and may return to sit with their families if they prefer. A staffed nursery for infants through three years of age is located through the doors at the right side of the front of the Sanctuary. At the rear of the Sanctuary there is a "Cry Room" where you may comfort a child. It is furnished with a picture window and speakers so you can still see and hear and share in worship, as well as rocking chairs and other comfortable seating, and quiet toys.

"Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving! Make melody to our God!"~ Psalm 147:7

The musicians invite and encourage you to sing along, clap along, or participate in the music however the Spirit moves you when the words to the songs are projected on the screen.

Order of Worship

~ 11:00am Service ~

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Spirit of the Living God
The Chancel Choir

Iverson

* Call to Worship

Leader: The steadfast love of God never ceases.

People: **Your mercies never come to an end.**

Leader: They are new every morning.

People: **Great is your faithfulness.**

* Opening Hymn

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Hymnal #152

Sacrament & Celebration of Baptism for Wesley Lewis Lutz

Sung Response

God Claims You

From TFWS #2249

Wesley, Wesley, God claims you, God helps you, protects you, and loves you, too.

We, your family, love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow.

Wesley, Wesley, God claims you, God helps you, protects you, and loves you, too.

Spoken Response

With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that this child, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal. We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. Amen.

Sharing of Celebrations & Concerns

Silent Prayer

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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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.

Anthem

Beautiful Savior
The Chancel Choir, with Danielle Fowler, flute

arr. Hobby

Offertory

There Were Daffodils
Danielle Fowler & Jill Schlegel, flutes, and Michael Emshwiller, piano

Schocker

* Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal #94

* Prayer of Dedication

Abiding God, we entrust these gifts to you. We offer them as symbols of our trust in you and of our commitment to be worthy of your trust in us as bearers of the good news of Jesus Christ. Amen.

* Hymn of Preparation

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Hymnal #140

Scripture Lesson

2Corinthians 1:18-22

Pew Bible, NT Pg. 179

Sermon

Yes and No

Rev. Carman Minarik

* Closing Hymn

My Hope Is Built

Hymnal #368

* Blessing & Sending Forth

Postlude

Spring Sonata
Emily Hudock, violin & Michael Emshwiller, piano

Beethoven

* Those able are invited to stand.

Parish News

Wesley Lewis Lutz Baptized Today

Today we celebrate Wesley Lewis Lutz' baptism with his parents Dennis & Maddy and big brother Mitchell. His baptism will be during Second Service. With God's help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that this child, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Pastors' Lenten Bible Study: *Fish Eyes*

Revs. Carman and Donna will lead a Lenten Bible study using the video series *Fish Eyes*. This study shows us Peter and Andrew, fishermen by trade, as they drop their nets and follow Jesus. Crackling with surprises, warmth, and humor, *Fish Eyes* tells stories you probably already know as you've never seen them before. In modern settings, the Gospels unfold with timeless meaning ~ and healthy doses of humor. Don't miss the fun. We'll use our new Multipurpose Room video equipment... and what's a movie without popcorn? This will be fun and informal discussion for everyone who wants to travel the Lenten journey together. Classes will be from 6:00pm to 7:30pm on Sunday evenings, beginning *this evening* February 19th and continuing through Sunday, March 25th. See you there!

Church Office Closed Tomorrow

In observance of President's Day, the Church Office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, February 20th, and will then re-open the following day, Tuesday, February 21st.

Ash Wednesday Service *This Wednesday*

Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday, February 22nd. This is the first day of the season of Lent, and is a traditional time of introspection, confession, and forgiveness. Plan now to attend our Ash Wednesday worship service, with imposition of ashes for those who wish it, at 7:30pm on the 22nd.

Wednesday J.A.M.

We will be starting a new journey this week for Wednesday J.A.M. a "Fiesta with Jesus". We are gonna' have a red hot, fun-in-the-sun time at Fiesta. So please plan on joining us. Any questions, please contact Kim Evans at church.

Nursery Helpers Needed

Our Nursery is looking for fifty-three people who love and care for our babies of our church. Did you know that we have twelve kids under the age of three who would love to see you on a Sunday morning to play, color or have you read them a story. Sign up for one or two Sundays to assist our new Nursery Director, Tasheena Lewis. We need to have two persons at all times be with our kids, so we are looking for that second person (YOU). If you give praise for the ministry, please help us by signing up. See the Sign-Up Sheet on the Bulletin Board in the Multipurpose Room.

Wesleyans Outing

On Sunday, March 11th, at 2:00pm., the Wesleyans will be seeing the musical *Clue* at the Fraser Performing Arts Center located at Fraser High School on Garfield south of 15 Mile Road. If you are interested in attending, the cost is \$8.00 per person. Tickets will be distributed between services on Sunday, March 4th. See or call Kay Sommers for information.

Red Bird Mission Up-Date

The week before last we mailed one-thousand & twenty-nine Bar Codes (Campbell's Soup Labels, etc.) and one-hundred & sixty-three Box Tops for Education to Red Bird Mission. Many new products have been added to support this ministry, so be aware of this when shopping please. Our collection is periodically sent to Campbell's and if they expire in the interim they will be "banked" and Red Bird will have credit on their account until enough are accumulated for a purchase. Such a small effort on our part can reap such rewards to those who need it most. Thank you! Thank you!

Make a Splash!

Our Renaissance District Youth have challenged our congregation to fill a drinking water jug with change, to help change the by helping to provide clean drinking water to countries in need of this basic necessity. The jug is on the table in the East Parlor. Stop by before or after worship and put your extra change in the jug. Our filled jug will be combined with those of other churches and will be offered at Bishop's Day later this Spring.

Other Opportunities

Sunday School Classes

All kids three years of age through Fifth Grade are welcome to attend Sunday School. Classes take place during 9:15am Service, immediately following the *Children's Message*. If today will be your child's first time attending, we ask that a parent or guardian accompany them to the Sunday School Room to register.

On-Going Studies & Activities

For information on things like the Men's and Women's Bible Studies, Prayer Quilting, Tai Chi, Yoga, Knit-Chat-and-Quilt, the Men's Koffee Klatch and other fun and enriching activities to be part of at First Church, check the *Parish Week* calendar for dates and/or contact the Church Office during office hours.

The Parish Week

Sunday, February 19th	9:15am ~ Worship After the 9:15am Service's Children's Message ~ Children's Sunday School, Sunday School Rooms Between Services ~ Bread Ministry Wrapping Session, Fellowship Hall Between Services ~ Fellowship Time, Multipurpose Room 11:00am ~ Worship 6:00pm ~ Pastors' Bible Study, Multipurpose Room
Monday, February 20th	<i>Presidents' Day</i> Church Office Closed & Programs on Break, except: 7:00pm ~ Men's Bible Study, Multipurpose Room
Tuesday, February 21st	8:30am ~ Bread Ministry Wrapping Session, Fellowship Hall 10:30am ~ Prayer Quilting Session, Multipurpose Room (Until 3:30pm) 11:00am ~ Article Submissions & Flower Dedications for Next <i>Sunday Bulletin</i> Due 6:00pm ~ Carillon Bells Rehearsal, Music Room 7:30pm ~ Narcotics Anonymous, Multipurpose Room
Wednesday, February 22nd	<i>Ash Wednesday & Washington's Birthday</i> 9:00am ~ Tai Chi Class, Multipurpose Room 5:00pm ~ Wednesday J.A.M., Throughout The Church (Beginning in the Fellowship Hall) 7:30pm ~ Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary
Thursday, February 23rd	8:30am ~ Bread Ministry Wrapping Session, Fellowship Hall 9:30am ~ Knit, Crochet, & Chat Group Meeting, Church Library 9:45am ~ Men's Koffee Klatch, Multipurpose Room 12:00pm ~ Open Yoga Class (Free to All Adults Attending First UMC), Fellowship Hall 6:00pm ~ Chapel Bells Rehearsal, Music Room 7:30pm ~ Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Room
Sunday, February 26th	<i>First Sunday of Lent</i> 9:15am ~ Worship After the 9:15am Service's <i>Children's Message</i> ~ Children's Sunday School, Sunday School Rooms Between Services ~ Bread Ministry Wrapping Session, Fellowship Hall Between Services ~ Fellowship Time, Multipurpose Room 11:00am ~ Worship 1:00pm ~ Cantata Orchestra Rehearsal, Music Room 6:00pm ~ Pastors' Bible Study, Multipurpose Room
Monday, February 27th	9:30am ~ Women's Bible Study, Multipurpose Room

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