

January 16, 2022

(**Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude Handbell Choir
"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" Atkinson/McChesney
Greeting/Life of the Church Pastor Andy Wagner

**Call to Worship

L: With steadfast love, God calls our names. Come to find refuge in the shelter of God's ways.

P: We long to be recognized and affirmed. We are eager for a place of shelter and security.

L: Feast on the abundance of God's house. Come to drink deeply from the fountain of life.

P: We are ready to hear the Word of God. We want to be guided by eternal truth.

L: Reach out to claim the gifts God pours out on us. The Spirit is eager to inspire and empower each one.

P: When God calls us, we cannot remain silent. When Christ is real to us, we accept our discipleship.

**Opening Hymn "How Firm a Foundation" UMH#529

Opening Prayer (unison)

How awesome it is that you care for us, God of all life! Your delight in us brings out our best. When you rejoice in us, we come to believe in our capacity for goodness. When your light and salvation dawn in our lives, we want to share the joy. Remind us now of the gifts you so freely bestow. Help us to recognize them in ourselves and in one another, that we may use them to serve people in need and give glory to your name. Amen.

Prayer Hymn "Be Still, My Soul" UMH#534

Prayers of the Faithful & 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.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings Carol Stewart
Offertory "Come, All Christians, Be Committed" Traditional Melody

**Doxology UMH #95

**Prayer of Dedication Pastor Andy Wagner

Gracious God, whose miracles surround us day by day and whose revelation in Jesus Christ awakens our wonder, let this be an hour of powerful encounter with you in which our gifts are called forth for the sake of your church and for the transformation of your world. Work within us, among us, and through us, we pray, that believing minds may blossom into trusting hearts and helping hands, fully committed to your service. Amen.

Ministry of Music Handbell Choir
"There Is a Balm in Gilead" arr. by Linker and McFadden

Scripture Lesson Daniel 1:1-8

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Sermon "Know Who You Are" Pastor Andy Wagner

**Closing Hymn "I Know Whom I Have Believed" UMH#714

**Sending Forth

**Postlude Carol Stewart
"There Is Joy in Serving Jesus" Bentley D. Ackley



*Altar Flowers are given by Harry and Alice Osman
in honor of all January Birthdays.*



Monday 17	MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY FEBRUARY FAITH	OFFICE LINKS	CLOSED DEADLINE
	Men of Faith	6:00 pm	Rm 16 A-B
	Cub Scouts	6:00 pm	FH 15 A-B
	Boy Scouts	7:00 pm	FH 15 C
Tuesday 18	Xenia Winter Guard	3:30 pm	FCC
	Girl Scouts	6:00 pm	FH 15 A,B,C & 16A
	Disciple Bible Study	6:30 pm	Rm 6
Wednesday 19	Cancer Support	12:00 pm	Parlor
	Handbell Practice	6:15 pm	Music Room
	Praise Band Practice	7:00 pm	FCC
	Choir Practice	7:30 pm	Sanctuary
Thursday 20	Prayer Shawl	11:00 am	Parlor
	Stephen Ministry Class	6:30 pm	Library
	Ad Board Council	6:30 pm	FH Rm 15C
Friday 21	Xenia Winter Guard	3:30 pm	FCC
Saturday 22	Double I	5:00 pm	FH 15 A, Kitchen
Sunday 23	Traditional Worship	9:00 am	Sanctuary
	Sunday School	10:00 am	Rm 11, 15 C, 16A, Parlor, Library
	Contemporary Worship	11:00 am	FCC

Sunday School Studies

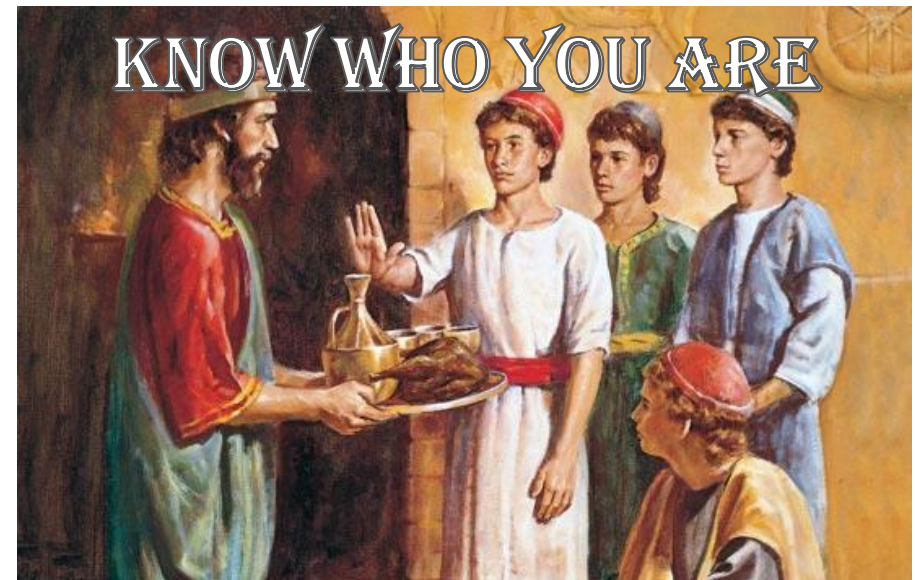
Double I meet in 15C, Leader Wayne Cook, study of "The Triumph of Christianity - Paul."

Open Doors meet in Parlor, Leader Sandy Pramer study of "You Were Made For This Moment" by Max Lucado.

Friends & Followers meet in the Library, Leader Chad Mossing.

Grades 6-12 will meet in Rm 16 A-B, Leader Joyce Smith.

Preschool – Grade 5 Join the children in Rm 11 under the leadership of Kiley Fleming and Karen Mossing for Bible Stories and activities to reinforce the Bible Story of the day.



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We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

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Worship Team

Ushers	Mike Tittle, Bill Turner, Chad Mossing, Rick Smith
Liturgist	Julie Wickline
Acolytes	Micah Fleming, Morgan Fleming
Organist	Carol Stewart
Bell Director	Jim McPeck
Choir Director	Glen Shaw

Scripture Lesson – Daniel 1:1-8

Daniel's Training in Babylon

1 In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. **2** And the Lord delivered Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, along with some of the articles from the temple of God. These he carried off to the temple of his god in Babylonia and put in the treasure house of his god.

3 Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, chief of his court officials, to bring into the king's service some of the Israelites from the royal family and the nobility — **4** young men without any physical defect, handsome, showing aptitude for every kind of learning, well informed, quick to understand, and qualified to serve in the king's palace. He was to teach them the language and literature of the Babylonians. **5** The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be trained for three years, and after that they were to enter the king's service.

6 Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. **7** The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego.

8 But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way.

Next Sermon – Sunday, January 23

"Know What You Need"
Gospel Lesson

Pastor Andy Wagner
Daniel 2:1-6, 16-19

Announcements

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