

## 8:15 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 12, 2020

### The Gathering

Please sign the attendance pad located in each pew.

### Welcome & Announcements

Becky Wells

### \*Worship through Praise

#### Opening Prayer

**God, no one is a stranger to you. No one is ever far from your loving care. In your kindness, strengthen and guide those who seek a place of refuge. We ask for your mercy to envelop those who are separated from loved ones. Guide those who are lost. Strengthen those who have been exiled from their homeland. Help us to show kindness to the stranger in our midst. Help us to offer assistance to those in need. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who too was a refugee in a distant land. Amen.**

#### Chat with the Children

Julie Burenga

AWE children dismissed. Preschool - 5th grade.

#### Worship with Offering

Demond Johnson

#### Scripture Lesson

Exodus 22:21; 23:9

James 1:27-2:1-4, 8-9

Becky Wells

#### The Message

**Series: What About....**

Pastor Chris

*What About Immigration?*

#### Prayer Chorus

#### Corporate Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

#### \*Closing Song

#### \*Benediction

Pastor Chris

Praise Team Leader: Wayne Wells

Nursery: Ann Adam & Kayla Krites Welcome Table: Barb East & Karen Shively



**FUMC PRAYER CONCERNS** Steve Tobias - hip surgery (Angie Hanicq's dad), Aaron Gardner - knee surgery, Millie Profit - RSV, Cassie Priest - heart/hospital, Harrison Oeschle - eye injury, Rebecca Stricker - health, Carol Wilken - health, Sandra Anderson - Parkinson's, Jim Davis - cancer, Aiden Ellerbrock - rehab.

Please see the long term prayer list in the Friendly Visitor for other prayer needs or check the website under the drop down menu "newsletters" @www.vanwertfirst.net.

**Military:** Caleb Kreischer, Evan Wells, Bryan Zinsmaster, Conner Gordon, Noah Sease, Nick Gutierrez, Ben Scheidt, Gerald Christo-Baker, Ethan Glass, Michael Hellman, Greg Henry

**Missionaries & Ministries:** Stephen Ministry, Stand for Truth Ministry, Jeanne & Gaston Ntambo, Mission of Hope - Haiti.

## 10:45 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### Welcome & Announcements

**Voluntary** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* M. Burkhardt

We invite you to take this time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship.

### Lighting of Altar Candles

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Rejoice, people of God! Celebrate the life within you, and Christ's presence in our midst.

**People: We are here because we have heard the call of Christ. We are here to challenge and support one another to rise up and follow Christ. We are here for our eyes, ears, and hearts to be opened! We come, seeking to be moved, unshackled, released, and changed, and made whole by the Holy Spirit.**

### WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE

**\*Hymn** *Rise Up, O Men of God* #576

Vs. 1,2 - All, Vs. 3 Men's Quartet, Vs. 4 - All

#### \*Opening Prayer

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### WORSHIP WITH GENEROSITY

Giving and Receiving of our Tithes and Offerings  
AWE children dismissed. Kindergarten and up

**Offertory** *I Would Be True* H. M. Braun

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* #94

**\*Prayer of Dedication** Demond Johnson

### WORSHIP WITH THE WORD

**Scripture** Exodus 22:21; 23:9  
James 1:27-2:1-4, 8-9

**Message** **Series: What About....** Pastor Chris  
*What About Immigration?*

### WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER

**Chancel Choir** *This Is My Song* Sibelius/Stone/Harkness

## Concerns and Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer with choral amen.

### WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONSE

**\*Hymn** *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* #402

**His Light into the World**

**\*Benediction** Pastor Chris

**Postlude** *When the Church of Jesus Shuts its Outer Doors*  
R. Powell

\*Indicates an Invitation to Stand

### Participants in 10:45 worship

Lead Pastor:	Chris Farmer
Dir of Student & Adult Ministry:	Demond Johnson
Liturgist:	Demond Johnson
Organist:	Gloria Wendel
Choir Director:	Paul Hoverman
Acolyte:	Ashlynn Shaffer
Sound Engineer:	Ron Allison
Welcome Table:	Deb Nedderman
Nursery:	Melody McCracken
2-3 year olds:	Darla Dunlap & Janet Kreischer



Walk to  
**Emmaus**  
THE UPPER ROOM

I would love to talk to you about Emmaus! Contact Demond for more information!

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The Emmaus weekend is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The program approach seriously considers the model of Christ's servanthood and encourages Christ's disciples to act in ways appropriate to being "a servant of all."

### Briefing on Issues Facing the United Methodist Church

You may be wondering about all the various news releases about a split in the United Methodist Church. Pastor Chris and a few others will be offering an informational gathering on **Sunday, January 19th at 6:30 PM** in the Scheidt room about what the United Methodist Church is facing and what that means for us as a local United Methodist Church.

Series: What About...

Title: "What About Immigration?"

Text: Exodus 22:21; 23:9 & James 1:27-2:1-4, 8-9

Big Idea: The Scriptures teach us some key lessons regarding immigration.

LESSONS:

God calls us to offer His \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to strangers.

God invites us to \_\_\_\_\_ His Son in the \_\_\_\_\_.

Remember we're \_\_\_\_\_.

Faith comes \_\_\_\_\_ when we put it into \_\_\_\_\_.

Action	Kindness	Immigrants	Alive
	Goodness	See	Stranger

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ON OUR 2020  
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*Trip Details*

WHERE: Indianapolis, IN	SIGNUP DEADLINE: February 10, 2020
WHEN: June 7, 2020 - June 12, 2020	CONTACT: Teresa (419)238-0631 ext. 307
COST: See Demond or Teresa	Demond (419)238-0631 ext. 306

What's Happening THIS WEEK		
Come Join Us!		
Sunday, 01/12	8:15am 9:30am 9:15-10:30am 10:45am 5:00 - 7:00pm	Worship Sunday School for all ages Coffee & Donuts - Krout Worship HS & MS Youth
Monday, 01/13	1-3:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	Food Pantry Cub Scouts Boy Scouts
Tuesday, 01/14	8:30am 10:30am Noon 5:45pm	Staff Meeting Prayer Group Lydia Preschool Board
Wednesday, 01/15	8:00am 1-3:00pm 4:00pm 5:00pm  5:30pm 6:30pm 7:30pm	Men's Bible Study Food Pantry Women In the Word FEAST Beef & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Dogs, Rolls, Salad & Desserts Seekers Group Handbells Chancel Choir
Thursday, 01/16	8:00am 6:30pm 7:00pm  7:00pm	Clay Pots Praise Band Practice Finding God Faithful Bible Study Finance Committee
Friday, 01/17	10 - Noon 6:00pm	Food Pantry Bread N Bowl

# DON'T FORGET

- ⇒ **Sign up for Picture Directory Portraits!** We have had a terrific response! Thank you! Jana will be in Krout before and after services to help you. Or you can go on line to sign up. Go to <http://www.vanwertfirst.net/> and follow the link on the right hand side. We have added an extra day - **Thursday, April 16**. If you couldn't get in for the January dates, please sign up for the April date!
- ⇒ **Wednesday Night Dinners begin January 15.** As always, we are in need of helpers. Desserts! Clean up! Cooks! Please contact the office or Sherri Arn if you can help.

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Pastor Chris Farmer

**Our Vision Statement:**  
*Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus.*

**Our Mission Statement:**  
**Embracing, equipping and empowering persons to evangelize through Jesus.**

**Thanks for joining us today!** If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances and no matter where you've been, you matter to God and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, **we welcome you and look forward to seeing you again!**

Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.