

Covenant Renewal Service

January 14, 2018

8:30 am

Gathering

Welcoming First Time Guests

Introit “Shine, Jesus, Shine”
Kim Cherry Martin

*Call to Worship **O God, Searcher of all our hearts,
You have formed us as a people and claimed us for your own.
As we come to acknowledge your sovereignty and grace,
and to enter anew into covenant with you,
reveal any reluctance or falsehood within us.
Let your Spirit impress your truth on our inmost being,
and receive us in mercy, for the sake of our Mediator, Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Hymn UMH #92 “For the Beauty of the Earth”

Announcements and Connection Cards

Blessing of the Church Leaders

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Call to Prayer “Be Near Me, Lord Jesus”
Kim Cherry Martin

*The Children’s Hymn #585 “This Little Light of Mine”

The Children’s Message Pastor Andrew

The Gospel Reading Matthew 2:1-12 Pew Bible NT Page 2

Communion Homily “Search Diligently” Pastor Crystal

Holy Communion

Passing of the Peace

Giving our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory “Worship the King”
Kim Cherry Martin

*Doxology UMH # 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts;
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts;
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**

*Prayer of Dedication

*The Great Thanksgiving UMH #13
Breaking of the Bread
Giving of the Bread and Cup

Communion Music Kim Cherry Martin

(Offerings left at the altar rail go to the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund used primarily to assist the needy.)

*Prayer after the Meal

Eternal God, renew our communion with Your Church throughout the world, and strengthen it in every nation and among every people to witness faithfully in Your name. We give You thanks for this holy mystery in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn#383 “This is a Day of New Beginnings”

*Benediction

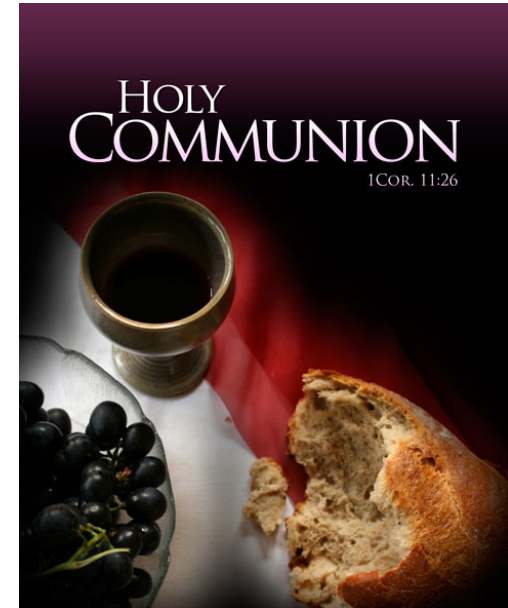
Postlude “Come, Sing Unto the Lord” Henry Purcell

***Indicates Congregation Standing as Able** Hearing Aids, Large Print Bibles, and Hymnals are available. If you need any of these, please see an usher or greeter. **Please silence your cell phones.**

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Nursery available: See any of the Greeters to direct or accompany you. If your child attended Children’s Church, they may be picked up in Room 125 in the lower level of Building 3.

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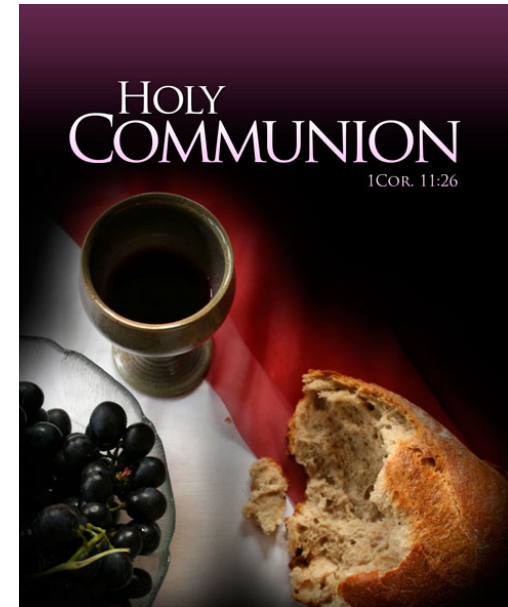


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Contemporary Worship
January 14, 2018

Opening Song

Welcome and Announcements

Baptism

Blessing of the Church Leaders

Praise & Worship

Congregation Prayer

Tithes & Offerings

Matthew 2:1-12
The Reading of God's Word

Sermon
"Now What"

Holy Communion

The Invitation to the Lord's Table
(In the United Methodist Church, we believe in an Open
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* Song of Commitment/Sending Forth
(Please Stand)

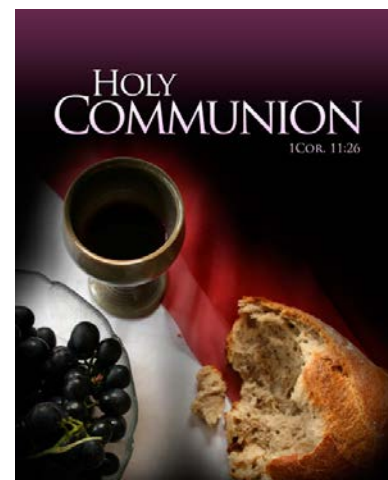
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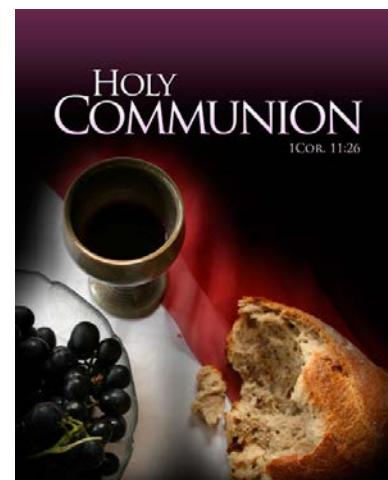
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This Week at SUMC

Sunday January 14

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am Beacon Worship Service (Ministry Center)
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 9:45 am Genius of American Religion class (Bldg 2, Rm LL35)
- 11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 11:15 am Beacon Worship Service (Ministry Center)
- 4:00 pm Celebration (Bldg 1, Choir Rm)
- 4:30 pm Small Group: Acts in Action (Bldg 1, Rm LL33)
- 4:30 pm UMKids (Bldg 1, Choir Rm, Rms 10&14)
- 4:30 pm UMYF&Confirmation(AsmbyHall,Bldg 3Rms208,214,217,223)

Monday January 15 Office is closed in observance of MLK Day

- 7:00 am Emmaus Reunion Group (Men) (Bldg 2, Rm LL31)
- 8:15 am Emmaus Reunion Group (Women) (Bldg 1, Rm 29)
- 10:00 am Mission Monday (Bldg 1, Library)

Tuesday January 16

- 10:00 am Hand Maden's (Bldg 1, Library)

Wednesday January 17

- 9:30 am Pastors Worship Planning Meeting (Bldg 1, Library)
- 10:30 am Church Staff Planning Meeting (Bldg 1, Library)
- 12:00 pm Fellowship Luncheon-Congregation Care (AssemHall)
- 6:30 pm Beacon Band Rehearsal (Assembly Hall)
- 6:30 pm UMM Fellowship Meeting (Bldg 1, Rm LL13)

Thursday January 18

- 7:30 am SUMM Bible Study (Bldg 1, LL13)
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir (Bldg 1, Choir Room)

Friday January 19

Saturday January 20

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We're sharing the worship experience! Our worship services are recorded and available online. Our 9:45 and 11:15 Beacon services are also streamed live online!

Please remember to update your online giving donations to your 2018 pledged amounts. Do not set up a new user name and password. Simply login with your current info & edit your amounts and frequency as necessary.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Additional **SECURITY TEAM** members are needed, particularly for the 8:30, 11:00, and 11:15 services. Sign up forms are in the narthex of Bldg 2 & on the snack table in Bldg 3. For info, contact Terry Proper at [910-340-4155](tel:910-340-4155).

Announcing "Acts in Action"...a Spring 2018 Bible Study focusing on the Book of Acts. Bring your favorite Bible & join in studying Acts and applying it to our daily lives. The class will be held on Sundays from 4:30-6:30pm in Bldg 2, Rm LL33 from January 14-March 20. Taught by Cheryl Epperson.

Did you or your youth miss the confirmation class typically held for 6th graders? Pastor Scott & his wife Amy will lead a six week confirmation class for anyone who has not been confirmed. The class will begin February 4th. We will meet 4:30 pm-6:30 pm (including dinner). The participants in this class will be confirmed on Sunday March 25th. If you, or your youth is interested in this class, please contact Pastor Scott at sdodson@nccumc.org or call [910-326-4822](tel:910-326-4822).

Two sessions (Sundays & Thursdays) of **The Genius of American Religion** will begin the week of January 14th. Sunday classes, Jan 14-Feb. 18 are at 9:45 a.m. in Bldg 2, Rm LL35. An identical session will be on Thursdays, Jan. 18-Feb. 22 at 4:00 p.m., same room. Information, jamesbrew@juno.com, or 910-431-0382

Yard Sale Drop-Off Opportunities! Our container (upper parking lot by the shed) for yard sale items will be open from 4:30-6:30 on the following Sundays: **Jan 7, 14, 21 Feb 11, 18, 25 March 4, 11, 18 25**. If you have items, please place them in the container on those Sundays. Need to know what you can donate? Check out the Yard Sale flyer in the Welcome Centers. Dates will be posted soon for Saturday pickups of furniture and appliances. Contact Nancy Harris at missions@swansboroumc.org with any questions.

Registration is now open for the **Junaluska Peace Conference** to be held March 1-4. For further information, please contact Jim Brewster, chair of SUMC Church & Society at jamesbrew@juno.com.

A Fellowship Luncheon will be served Wednesday January 17 at Noon in the Assembly Hall. Our own Brandon Armstrong, the Contemporary Worship Leader will present the program. Please see the insert!

Stephen Ministry is coming back to SUMC! During the coming weeks, we invite you to pray about our congregation's Stephen Ministry. Please pray for those God is calling to serve as caregivers in this ministry. For more info, contact Linda Carlsen at 910-617-0857 or kidsinshape1@gmail.com.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members: Margaret Lloyd, Angie Cooper, Holly Bostic, Mel & Sue Guss, Dick McLeish, Olivia Ehler, Tim & Sharon Barefoot, Jan Yarborough, Eldene Truax, Nita Aman, Ginger Garner Jablonski, Britney Wood, Frances Harrison, Roberta Maness, Mary Bergazzi, Rebecca Hamm, Kathy Henriksen, Barbara Brown, Melanie Holstein, Sheryle Kinney, Sara Wilson, Sara Bergazzi, Sylvia Sylvester*, Joyce Bayley*, Ruth Hokum*, Shirley Warren, Bob Bone, Christy Williams, Peg Fredeen*, Mildred Gallion*, Becky Miller (*shut in)

Friends & Family: Frank Bartol, David Pinsky, Barbara Friedman, Dr. Henry R. Schindelar, Tucker Talley, Libby Garner, Brandon Bachik, Richard Juhl, Lee Orwat, Karen Saunders, Helen Frasier, Pat Salair, Christopher Pate, Linda Guss, Lamont & Lauryn Cox, Walt Kapke, Phyllis Hodgkins, Mike Bergazzi, Red Redfearn, Sharon Kanavel, Anne Shaw, Lindsey Bell, Dana Shroust, Eric Hart, Sandie Journigan, Nancy Burnette

Deployed Military: Donny Henriksen*, A.J. Short, John Reed, Gonzalo Snowe, Brandon Hackworth*, Buck Bradley, Jon Eriksen, Craig Sampsel, Lewis Collins, James Pidgeon III, Martha Stolzenberg, Michael P. Smith, Lance Young, Cooper Redfearn, Matt Bagley, Scott Harper Jr., Erik Werhner (*Church Member)

The Prayer Focus for this week is for our Board of Trustees. They do an amazing job maintaining our beautiful facilities. They are currently working on several large issues related to our facilities. Please thank them for their work and please pray for wisdom and strength moving forward.

Following my fall on Dec 8 and subsequent back surgery on Dec 14, I am most grateful for the many prayers, cards, notes & calls from many of you and for Pastor Ron's visit. It is a blessing to be a member of the SUMC congregation.
Kitty Haven

OUR PRESENCE

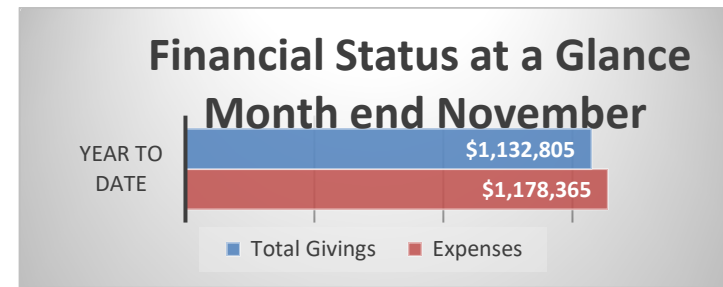
Sunday, December 31, 2017

8:30 – 146 9:45 – 160 11:00 164 11:15- 81

OUR GIFTS

In memory of Christine Hoffacker given by Harold & Louise Fulp
and JOY Sunday School class
and in memory of Delores Licko

The Chancel flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Christine Hoffacker given by her family



FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>Financial Month End –</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Contributions	\$107,944	\$1,132,806
Less Actual Expenses	<u>\$105,502</u>	<u>\$1,178,365</u>
Net	\$ 2,442	(\$ 45,559)

OUR SERVICE

Nursery

Jan 14 8:30 Adele Brewster 11:00 Aiden Cobb
Jan 21 8:30 Karen Tate 11:00 Cindy Rogers

Children's Church

Jan 14 8:30 Millie Morris 11:00 Susan Stuart
Jan 21 8:30 Chris Wilson 11:00 Stephanie Whitehead

Acolytes

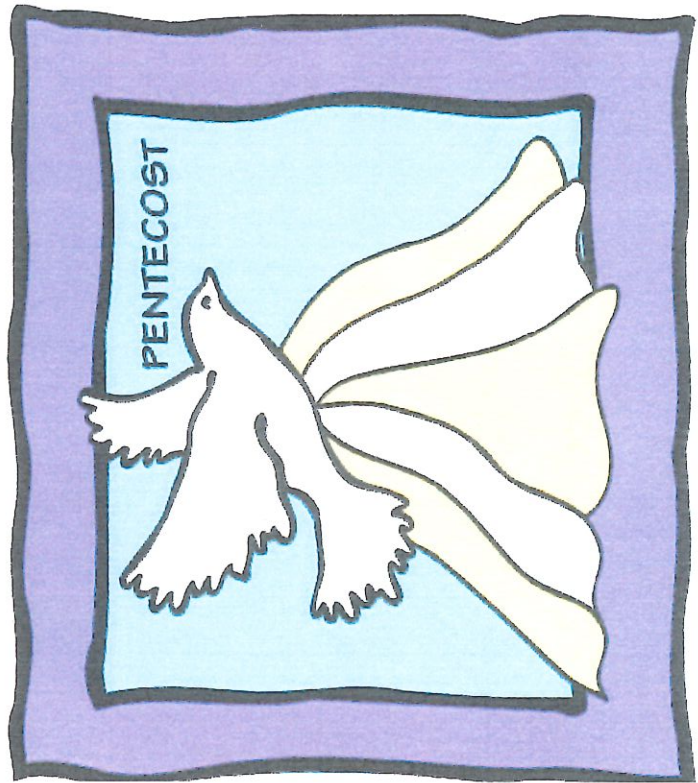
Jan 14 8:30 Evan Wilson, Kaitlyn Allen Caleb Allen
11:00 Emma Holt, Caitie Lenthall, Brayton Lenthall
Jan 21 8:30 Courtney Guthrie, Hannah Guthrie, Jack McCabe
11:00 Grace Egerton, Aly Young, Charlie Young

Prayer Room

8:30 9:45 11:00 ~ Janice Bean

OH! PRAISE THE LORD

- Happy New Year! Praising God for 2018! "You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths drip with abundance." Psalm 65:11
- 1250 people during Christmas Eve Services
- Stephen Ministry is returning to SUMC!



ANNOUNCING ACTS IN ACTION

A NEW BIBLE STUDY

Featuring Acts 1-12 and video segments
from A.D. THE ADVENTURE CONTINUES.

SUNDAYS 4:30-6:30pm
January 14-March 18
Building 2 Room33
Cheryl Epperson, Teacher

INTERESTED? Contact Merle Epperson at SUMC 910 326 4822 ext. 320
Or Sign up and place in offering Plate:

Name _____ Phone _____