

THANKS

to those who assisted in today's worship service:

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| Ministers | Acolytes |
| All the Members | Matt McKean |
| Interim Pastor | Travis Veenhuis |
| Rev. Dr. M. Jacob Kaufman | Prayers |
| Organist | Lee Hockstad |
| Lavonne Bomeli | Ushers |
| Director of Music | Michael Simon, captain |
| Brandon Sanders | Valet |
| Public Address System | George & Jeanette Adams |
| Bob Throop | Tally Team |
| Host | Bob Tressedder |
| Karen Palevich | Coffee Hour Hosts |
| Greeter | Joan Duff & Carol Roche |
| George & Jeanette Adams | Open & Close Church |
| Lay Liturgist | Bob Tressedder |
| Tom McLaren | |

HEARING ASSISTANCE

If you need hearing assistance, ask an usher about our Williams Sound System.

CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor

Rev. Dr. M. Jacob Kaufman

Director of Youth & Educational Ministries

Tracy Loomis

Church Office Manager

Karen J. Palevich

Chief Financial Officer

Carla Meier

Director of Music

Brandon Sanders

Organist

Lavonne Bomeli

Learning House Director

Susan Arnould

Parish Visitor

Barb Benson

Christian Life Center Director

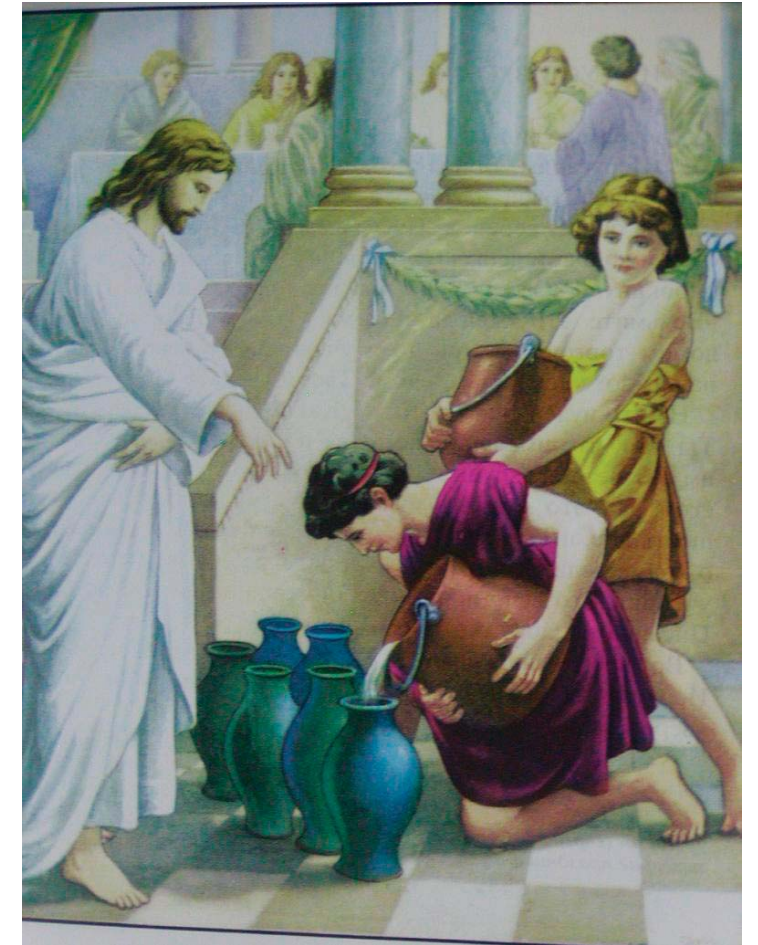
Karen J. Palevich

OPPORTUNITIES

for this week

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| SUNDAY, JANUARY 17 | 9:15 | Pastor Bible Study |
| | 10:30 | Worship/Sunday School |
| | 10:30 | The Net Girl's Book Club |
| | 10:30 | Venti Jesus - The Ring |
| | 11:30 | Fellowship |
| | 2:00 | Joseph Practice |
| | 4:00 | Davidson Basketball |
| | 6:00 | The Net |
| | 8:00 | Men's Basketball |
| MONDAY, JANUARY 18 | 5:30 | Upward Basketball Practice |
| | 6:00 | Upward Cheerleading Practice |
| | 7:00 | Scout Parent Mtg. |
| | 7:00 | Boy Scout Troop 368 Meeting |
| | 7:00 | Venture Crew Meeting |
| TUESDAY, JANUARY 19 | 10:00 | Pastor Bible Study |
| | 5:30 | Upward Basketball Practice |
| | 6:30 | Upward Cheerleading Pract. |
| | 6:30 | Autism Support Group |
| | 6:30 | Alcoholics Anonymous |
| | 6:30 | Zone Teachers Meeting |
| WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20 | 5:30 | Upward Basketball Practice |
| | 5:45 | Fellowship Team Meeting |
| | 6:00 | Courtesy Driving School |
| | 7:00 | CLC Meeting |
| | 7:00 | Seventh-day Adventists |
| THURSDAY, JANUARY 21 | 10:00 | Toddlercise |
| | 4:30 | Confirmation Class |
| | 5:30 | Upward Basketball Practice |
| | 6:00 | Youth Choir Practice |
| | 6:45 | Bell Choir Practice |
| | 7:00 | Unemployment Transition Mtg. |
| | 7:30 | Chancel Choir |
| FRIDAY, JANUARY 22 | 4:00 | Music & Movement |
| | 4:30 | Dance Class |
| | 5:30 | Upward Basketball Practice |
| SATURDAY, JANUARY 23 | 8:00 | Upward Basketball |
| Upward Games Begin | 9:00 | Seventh-day Adventists |
| | 12:00 | Seventh-day Adventists |
| | 7:00 | Alcoholics Anonymous |
| SUNDAY, JANUARY 24 | 9:15 | Pastor Bible Study |
| | 10:30 | Worship/Sunday School |
| | 10:30 | Venti Jesus - The Ring |
| | 11:30 | Blood Pressure Screening |
| | 11:30 | Fellowship |
| | 2:00 | Joseph Practice |
| | 4:00 | Davidson Basketball |
| | 6:00 | The Net |
| | 8:00 | Men's Basketball |

WELCOME!



The Second Sunday after Epiphany



FIRST
CONGREGATIONAL
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Morning Worship CELEBRATION

January 17, 2010

176 Years of Reaching Up in Faith - Reaching Out in Love

CALLS US TO WORSHIP

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Welcome

Greeting One Another in the Love of Christ

Prelude "All Creatures of Our God and King" arr. Dan Hustad

*Hymn of Praise** "Arise, Your Light Has Come!" no. 167
(receive prayer request)

*Call to Celebration**

One: How precious is your steadfast love, O Lord!
All: **Your Faithfulness is a rock for your children.**
One: Continue your steadfast love to those who know you.
All: **Show your salvation to the upright in heart.**

*Morning Prayer Together**

God of the mundane, God of the miraculous: We come to you after a week of facing the ordinary realities of life. We are gathered in expectation. Give us a hint of your holiness in this hour together. Let us hear your voice in scripture; give us a glimpse of your glory; make us sensitive to feel your closeness to each of us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

GOD INVITES US TO LISTEN

Moment With the Youth Tracy Loomis

*Hymn** "Love Came Down at Christmas" no. 159
(verses 1-3)

Biblical Witness of Our Faith Isaiah 62:1-5, pg. 641
John 2:1-11, pg. 923

Anthem "What a Beautiful Name" by Tanya Riches
Chancel Choir

Sermon "Six Jars (+Jesus!)"
(Jesus') mother said to the servants,
"Do whatever he tells you." John 2:5

Some Time for Meditation and Prayer

GOD INVITES US TO SHARE AND TO SERVE

Opportunities for Ministry

Our Offering Is One Way We Honor God and Demonstrate Our Love for Neighbor
(Please complete the attendance card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate)

Offertory "Softly and Tenderly" arr. Don Hustad

*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Lord, you gift us with blessing upon blessing. In gratitude and humility, we bring our gifts to you. Go with our gifts, to bring both your love and ours to people who need you so much, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

*Empowering Hymn** "Once in David's Royal City" no. 155

*Benediction**

*Postlude** "Allegro Vivace" arr. by Carl McKinley
Suite from Water Music

Thank you to Dale Wells for standing in as Interim Choir Director and Bell Choir Director for the past several months.



Please join us after worship for refreshments in the fellowship hall

PASTOR JAKE CONTACT NUMBERS:

Munith 517-596-2275
Grand Blanc 695-2507
Emergency call Karen in the office 695-0550.

PRAYERS & CONCERNS:

Please pray for Jack Anderson, Allen Gottschalk Dorothy Feeser, Helen Jewett, Bryan Merkel, Wilma Palmer and Claude Shinn.

Also, please remember to pray for all the families affected by war, oppression and senseless killing.

Ministries & Special EVENTS

WORSHIP FLOWERS

The new flower calendar will be up outside the Welcome Center soon. Please be sure to sign up as often as you like. Cost is \$10 per date and there are four spaces for each date. Flowers remain in the Sanctuary all week long.

WELCOME BRANDON SANDERS

Please welcome our new Music Director, Brandon Sanders. Brandon was born and raised in Sterling, Oklahoma, a small town in the state's southwestern corner. He moved to Lansing three years ago. Brandon has been directing church choirs for the past seven years and is the Assistant Director of a Men's Chorus group in Lansing.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting will be the last Sunday of January which is the 31st. The meeting will follow worship in the Fellowship Hall. A light luncheon and child care will be provided. The Annual Report will be available for preview beginning next Sunday, January 24th.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD NOMINATIONS

Mary Powers is still accepting nominations for the next Administrative Board. All nominations will be presented to the Congregation at the Annual Meeting and will be voted on.

VG'S RECEIPTS

Please save the bottom of your VG's receipts. They turn into money for the church. The church has received approximately \$800.00 from the points collected on the bottom of these receipts. Please save the bottom of your receipts and turn them into Dottie Fletcher, every point adds up.

NORTH END SOUP KITCHEN

The Outreach Team is looking for 10 to 15 volunteers to work at the Soup Kitchen on Sunday, February 14th. If you can lend a hand to this worthwhile cause, please contact Dennis Setera at 810-636-7713.

SUNDAY'S OFFERING

Offering total for last Sunday, January 10 is \$11,189.87.

OUR STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:

God's universal principle about giving is this:
Give willingly from the heart.

"...from all whose hearts prompt them to give you shall receive the offering for me." (Exodus 25:2)