

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Jefferson United Methodist Church Weekly Newsletter

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Sunday, January 4, 2009



The Administrative Council will be meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 6 at 7 p.m. at church. All new members and officers as well as returning members of the council should plan to attend.

Our Stewardship of Time and Resources

General Offering:
\$1996.00

Christmas Eve Candlelight Offering
\$164.10

Christmas Eve Pageant Offering (for Board of Child Care):
\$649.00

A Note of Thanks

Peggy, Talbott and all concerned,

Dad and I want to thank you and the Untied Methodist Women for the visit with us this evening. We don't get out much as we really aren't able and that was nice to bring the Xmas spirit to us!

We like the glass manger scene and the cookies are great! My favorite Bible verse was al-

ways "Let your light shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your father that is in heaven." Thus you and the United Meth. Women and men lived up to my verse...

Tell the other members thanks for coming.

George and Lucille Hoffman



Blankets+ Program

Help people in our community and around the world by providing tools and blankets in times and places of need. Our United Methodist Women are once again coordinating our annual drive. Please give generously. See the flyers and envelopes located in the entry for more information.



Upcoming Worship Schedule

Sunday, January 4:
2nd Sunday after Christmas
Matthew 2:1-12
Like the wise men, we seek out the Messiah in our lives.
•Communion celebrated

Sunday, January 11:
Baptism of the Lord
Mark 1:4-11
Baptism/Reaffirmation of our Baptisms

Sunday, January 18:
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
John 1:43-51
Jesus calls his disciples—including us—to follow him, and to tell others about him.

This weekly newsletter is available via e-mail and online. To sign up to receive a notification when it is posted as well as other occasional prayer updates, visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/jeffersonumc>. You do not have to have a Yahoo ID to join the mailing list.

Out last mailed monthly newsletter will be sent this week. Please help us in the coming weeks to make sure people are receiving this online, by hard copy at church, or if neither of those methods work, by mail.

Please send all information for the weekly newsletter to Pastor Sarah by Thursdays.

Contacting Pastor Sarah Andrews Schlieckert:

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THE MAGI were also intellectuals, students of the stars and seekers after truth. It took the learned sages somewhat longer than the unlearned shepherds to find their way to Bethlehem, but they got there in the end.

JOHN POLKINGHORNE,
Living with Hope

Worship Helpers

Sunday, January 4
Acolyte: Connor Kelley
Greeters and Ushers: Randy Yearly & Eric Arnold
Lay Reader: Nikole Sheridan

Sunday, January 11
Greeters and Ushers: The Scarboroughs
Lay Reader: Carolyn Scarborough

Sunday, January 18
Greeters : David & Carol Waple
Ushers: Eric Arnold & Volunteer
Lay Reader: Eric Hoffmaster

Sunday, January 25
Greeters & Ushers : Jean & Bill Brown
Lay Reader: James Sheridan

Guest Preacher for 1/25 & 2/1: Pastor Michael Bynum

The United Methodist Church, 1-4



In an effort to help United Methodists better understand and be able to explain their beliefs and church to neighbors, family and friends, the Council of Bishop has come up with this 1-4 summary:

We are the people of the United Methodist Church.

1. We believe in—

- making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

2. We live by two kinds of holiness.

- Personal
- Social

3. We follow three simple rules.

- Do no harm.
- Do good.
- Stay in love with God.

4. We work in four areas of focus.

- Developing leaders
- Creating places for new people
- Eliminating poverty
- Improving health globally

Grow in Discipleship

Youth Group
Regular meeting on Sunday, Jan. 11 at 5:30 p.m. at church. Dinner provided by the Kelleys.

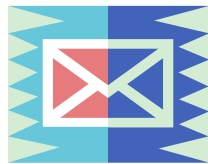
Children's Church
Is held each Sunday morning during the 9 a.m. worship service. Contact Jackie Rufty (301-473-9322) for more information.

Adult Bible Class
Meets in the fellowship hall immediately after worship. Led by Randy Yearly.

Faith Topics Class
Meets in the sanctuary after worship. In the new year, we are discussing issues around war and religion.

United Methodist Men
Will meet Sat. 1/10 at 8 a.m. for their prayer breakfast, and Monday, 1/26 at 7:30 p.m. for their business meeting.

United Methodist Women
Thanks to everyone who donated items and/or helped serve at the Ruritan this past Wednesday!



2009 Giving Envelopes

...are available in the sanctuary entry at church. Please pick up a complete box of envelopes AND be sure to record your name and box number on the sign up sheet next to the boxes.

Prayer List

Prayers for Healing:
Jason Barr
Richard Bartholomew
Jean Brown
Rev. LaMar Carlson
Mildred Campisi
Michael Carr
Cindy Coelho-Harner
Carolyn Gardiner
Thelma Grams
Janice Marshall
Emily Cassell Mass

Cora Munday
Tracey (Burgee) Painter
Laura Reed
Helen Rimes
Tyler Shuck
Beulah Shrewsbury
Julie Waple

Our Shut-Ins:
Betty Gibbons
George and Lucille Hoffman
Ginny Huffer

Joe Long
Don Plunkard
Helen Seek
Reba and John Wright

