Finance & Attendance Update:

Amount needed each Sunday to meet budget (2017):

2,669.25

Amount received last Sunday:

5,195.00

Total received to date this year:

130,352.00

Amount received last week for Capital Fund:

100.00

Total received year to date for Capital Fund:

22,621.00

Attendance last Sunday (morning and Christmas Eve 5 pm)

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 7

10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Music & Worship Mtg.
3:00 p.m. Grace Korean UMC Worship

5:00 p.m. Pag
6:30 p.m. Che

Monday, January 8

6:00 p.m. Confirmation

Tuesday, January 9

9:30 a.m. Parents and Pals Playtime

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

4:30 p.m. Missions & Outreach Meeting

Wednesday, January 10

8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast @ Mt. Royal 9:30 a.m. Parents and Pals Playtime

10:00 a.m. Page Turners

Wednesday, January 10 – continued

5:00 p.m. Prayer Group 6:00 p.m. Page Flippers 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Alanon **Thursday, January 11**

9:00 a.m. Painters 12:00 p.m. Yoga 6:30 p.m. Qigong

Sunday, January 14

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Trustees Meeting 11:15 a.m. Finance Meeting

3:00 p.m. Grace Korean UMC Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We want to **thank Dick Scheibe** for all the goodies that he has provided for us over the last couple of years. Unfortunately, Dick can no longer get the baked goods from his source. We need volunteers to bake for Sunday Fellowship time. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex. Please talk to Bev Merritt if you are able to bake once in awhile.

*Parents and Pals Playtime resumes this week. Simple tasks of hosting and presence makes this OUR ministry rather than just a "program" housed here. Sign up, give it a try as a way of being a minister on Hope's behalf to young families in our community!

*Page Turners meets on Wednesday to discuss "Jesus Cow" by Michael Perry. New members always welcome. Contact Anna Allison at 724-5715.

*Men's Retreat, "The Life You've Always Wanted," February 9-10 with Twin Ports United Methodist Ministries, at Camp Amnicon. See poster on bulletin board or contact Rev. Joel for more information or to register (715-394-9608; pastor@superiorfaithumc.org).

*Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins January 18. Watch for materials in the narthex and online, and plan to participate with Christians around the world.

STAFF

Administrative Assistant: Cynthia Coffin-Langdon
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Music Director: Liz Raihala
Custodian: Matt Johnson

Kid's Quest Director: Anita Rixe



January 7, 2018

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With God's grace, we care for the soul for a lifetime and beyond.

Order of Worship Celebration of Epiphany January 7, 2018

PRELUDE "Air Tendre" Dennis Eliot

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Arise, shine, for your light has come.

The glory of the Lord has risen upon you!

The glory of God shines in the darkness.

Lift up your eyes and look around. Follow the star, wherever it leads!

Take the journey that leads to the child.

Let your hearts rejoice. Be overwhelmed with joy!

We worship the Christ child, the hope of the world.

*HYMN "We Three Kings" #254

GREETINGS

EPIPHANY PRAYER

God of mystery, in the darkness of our world your light shines with grace and truth. Open the eyes of our hearts to the glory of your love. Speak your word of truth and joy. May the mystery revealed in Jesus draw us closer to you. May the wonder of your love fill us with wisdom and peace. As we rejoice in your presence, teach us to seek justice and righteousness. Fill our hearts to overflowing with your joy, your glory, your hope. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14, p. 504 Donna Manns

ANTHEM "Three Wise Men Traveling" Gordon Young

CHILDREN'S TIME sing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children come up #191

TIME OF SHARING - JOYS AND CONCERNS

(We ask you to pass the registration pads at this time.)

SILENT PRAYERS PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.

*HYMN "This Is a Day of New Beginnings" #383

GOSPEL READING Matthew 2:1-12, p. 1 Donna Manns

MESSAGE "By a Different Road"

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES
OFFERTORY "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

*DOXOLOGY #95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SONG OF PREPARATION "Sanctuary"

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Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION "Let Us Break Bread Together"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN "Shine, Jesus, Shine" #2173

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Celebration of Praise" James Denton

*You are invited to stand as you are able

LARGE PRINT hymnals, bulletins, and Bibles, as well as hearing devices are available from the usher. Nursery Care provided.

Word and Table Service of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our Lord thanks and praise.

Almighty God, we bless you for creation and all that you have made, for your gracious covenant with your holy people, and for your steadfast love in sending the prophets to call us to repent and to walk in your ways.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

With thanksgiving we remember your love for the world in sending your Son to live and die as one of us. You put your Spirit upon him. He proclaimed release to the captives, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

Before his death on the cross he took bread and said,
"Eat this bread — it is my body — and remember me."

After supper he took the cup and said,
"Drink this wine — it is my blood — and remember me."

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your church and made all things new.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

By your Holy Spirit make this bread and wine to be for us the body and blood of Christ.

So fill us with your love

that being one with Christ we may daily welcome your new creation with acts of compassion and justice.

With all your people, join us to the heart, mind, and work of Christ, until he rules in love's final victory.

Through Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The table is set and all of faith in Christ Jesus are welcome at God's banquet.