



January 5, 2025



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January 5, 2025
Epiphany Sunday

Traditional Worship

8:30am Sanctuary
11:00am Sanctuary & Livestream

*Whether you've attended for years or this is your first visit, please sign the pew pad and pass it down so we can get better acquainted.
Please use the Notes section in the pew pad to register for meals and classes, or for prayer requests.*

WELCOME & PRAYER

Rev. Don Hanshew,
Rev. Rachel Collins

OFFERING IN MUSIC

"The Three Kings"

Wilbur Held

†HYMN

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

UMH 62

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that God has come to us; that God brought us into being, that this God gave us breath and purpose, that we have been blessed to be a blessing to others, that we have fallen short of this commandment, but that God has nevertheless loved us despite our brokenness.

We believe that God is coming to us; that God is not happy to leave us alone, that this God will come to us as a particular human being, that God will be made known to us in flesh and bone like ours, that Mary will soon give birth and Joseph will soon clap his hands in joy, that Jesus Christ will be born and our salvation made complete.

We believe that God will come to us; that God will have the final word and that Word will be good, that this God will give us the presence of the Spirit to continue our work, that we are called to be disciples to all the corners of the earth, that the day is coming when tears and pain will be no more, and all will gather at the Table to sing an endless and perfect "Alleluia!"

†GLORIA PATRI

UMH 70

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

arr. Mark Hayes

†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! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6

Brian Huskey, Jan Tarver

LEADER: The story of God's love, for the people God loves.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

8:30am SPECIAL MUSIC

"Coventry Carol/God Rest You Merry Gentlemen"
Doug Bible, *guitar*

11:00am ANTHEM

"Beautiful Savior"
Chancel Choir

Tom Fettke

SERMON SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 3:1-12

Rev. Collins

LEADER: The story of God's love, for the people God loves.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Arise and Shine: Seeking God's Guidance in Our Lives"

Rev. Collins

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

LEADER: Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

ALL: Merciful God, you have given light to the world in Jesus Christ, but we have preferred to live in darkness. Your justice protects the weak and the distressed, yet we seek the shelter of privilege and power. Your righteousness redeems the power and the needy, yet we seek the status of wealth and possessions. Your peace upholds the oppressed and defenseless, yet we seek the security of weapons and retribution. Forgive us our sins, and lead us to true repentance, that we may trust you in all things, through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

PASTOR: In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

ALL: In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH 13

SERVING THE BREAD AND CUP

If you would like to receive the communion elements where you are seated, please notify an usher.

Gluten-free communion elements are available at a separate station to prevent cross-contamination.

†HYMN

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

UMH 349

†BENEDICTION

Rev. Collins

†11:00am CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

"We Three Kings of Orient Are"

Raymond H. Haan

†*Please rise in body or in spirit.*



Sundays in 2025 are now available for selection for sponsoring altar flowers. Please contact the church office to select your Sunday. Altar flowers are a wonderful way to honor or remember a loved one!

PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Don Hanshew, *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Rachel Collins, *Pastor of Discipleship*

Leslie Hill, *Director of Music Ministries*

Kim Meade, *Pianist*

Stephanie Wayland, *Organist*

Doug Bible, *Guitar (8:30am)*

Brian Huskey & Jan Tarver, *Lay Readers*

Craig Holtzclaw, David Hueser, Stuart Mitchell,

Richard Bolus & Greg Smith, *Multimedia*

Welcome to Fountain City UMC! We are so glad you are here today. Whether you've been attending for years or this is your first visit, we would like to get better acquainted.

Sunday Morning Schedule

- 8:30am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
- 9:45am Sunday Morning Discipleship church-wide
- 11:00am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary & YouTube
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship, Gym & YouTube

FountainKids (K-5th) & FountainLittles (Birth-PreK)

- Miss Donna, donna.lewis@fountaincityumc.org
- KidCheck check-in kiosk at Welcome Center
- FountainKids 8:30 & 9:45am Sunday
- Kids Bible Experience 11:00am Sunday
- Kids Club Wednesdays 6:30pm *returns January 15, 2025*

FCUMC Youth (MS 6th-8th/HS 9th-12th)

- youth@fountaincityumc.org
- 9:45am Sunday Morning Discipleship, Room B17
- Wednesday Night Youth, 6:30pm OFH *returns Jan. 15, 2025*
- Sunday Night Youth, 6:30pm *returns January 2025*
- Resurrection Meeting, January 15, 6:30pm

Celebrate Recovery

- Seth Charles, seth.charles@fountaincityumc.org
- Tuesdays 6:00pm Meal, Wesley Hall
- 6:30pm Worship, Gym
- 7:30pm Open Share Groups
- 6:30pm CR Crosswalk Children & Youth

Dates for Your Calendar

- January 5 Bicentennial Team, 12:00pm, Wesley Hall
- January 8 GriefShare Begins, 10:00am, Room 137
- January 15 Fountain City Fellowship Resumes, 5:30pm
Youth/Parent Resurrection Meeting, 6:30pm
FCF Classes Resume, 6:30pm
- January 20 Church Office Closed-MLK Day
- January 24-26 Resurrection
- February 8 Father-Daughter Dance

Church Office Closures

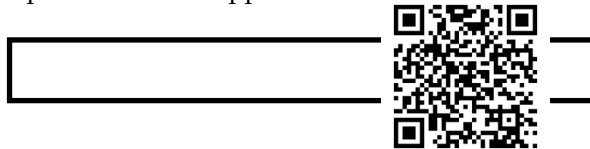
The church office will be closed January 20, 2025, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

2025 Altar Flowers

Sundays in 2025 are now available for selection to sponsor altar flowers in our Sanctuary. Please contact the church office to select your Sunday. Altar flowers are a great way to honor or remember a loved one!

2025 Scroggie Mission Endowment Fund

The Scroggie Mission Endowment Fund is given each year to support missions that impact our community, nation, and world. Thanks to the generosity of Lucy Scroggie, FCUMC is able to support missions and ministries that make a difference and change the lives of hurting people through the Scroggie Mission Endowment Fund. The call for applications to the 2025 Scroggie Mission Endowment Fund is now open, and all applications must be submitted no later than January 31, 2025. Scan the QR below to complete the online application.

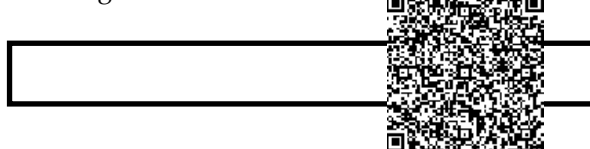


Fountain City Fellowship Resumes January 15

Fountain City Fellowship, our Wednesday night meal and programming, resumes January 15. See the purple info sheets around the church for more on our programming, and watch this space and January edition of The Spirit to register for the meal! We hope to see you at 5:30pm in the Gym for Fountain City Fellowship!

Resurrection is January 24-26

Resurrection, the annual weekend retreat of worship and spiritual growth for our youth group, is January 24-26 in Pigeon Forge. Registration is now open-scan the QR code below to register!



Our Sympathy...

...to Rob & Deb White and their family, on the death of Rob's mother, Helen White, on December 26, 2024.
...to Sandy Cannon, on the death of her husband, Gary, on December 29, 2024.

GriefShare Begins January 8

The spring session of GriefShare begins this Wednesday, January 8 at 10:00am in Room 137. Grief can be a painful, confusing process. GriefShare groups are a welcoming, safe place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. You don't have to do this alone. Please see our website to register or contact our facilitator, Dixie Bopp, at boppdixie@gmail.com with questions.

GIVE NOW!



Scan QR Code to Support our General Ministry Fund or any of our Specific Ministry Areas

Your Giving Matters!

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Pastor On Call After Hours & Weekends

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Regular Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm
Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

Save The Date!

Father Daughter Dance

February 8, 2025

In the FCUMC Gym