

December 31, 2023



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December 31, 2023

11:00am Sanctuary & Livestream

First Sunday after Christmas

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 of the Pew Pad to register for meals, special classes, or to share prayer concerns.

WELCOME & PRAYER

Rev. Chase Crickenberger

8:30am Sanctuary

OFFERING IN MUSIC

"What Shall We Sing for the Child?" Kim Meade & Leslie Hill, piano duet arr. Helvey

†HYMN

"The First Noel"

UMH 245

11:00am CHILDREN DISMISS TO FOUNTAINKIDS BIBLE EXPERIENCE

Children (K-5th) may exit to Rm 212. If this is your first visit, please accompany your child for check-in.

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

†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.

PRAYER TIME

Rev. Crickenberger

PASTOR/LEADER:

Lord, in your mercy,

ALL:

Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

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.

OFFERTORY

"The Three Kings"

Raymond Haan

†DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†HYMN (8:30am)	"Away in a Manger"	UMH 217
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†SONG (11:00am) "Angels We Have Heard On High" See Insert
The Journey Worship Team

SCRIPTURE LESSON Galatians 4:4-7 Nancy Nolen, Jan Tarver

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

ALL: Thanks be to God!

8:30am SPECIAL MUSIC "Ding! Dong! Merrily on High" arr. Helvey

Kim Meade & Leslie Hill, piano duet

11:00am ANTHEM "Beautiful Star of Bethlehem" arr. Christopher

Chancel Choir

†SERMON SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 2:22-40 Rev. Crickenberger

PASTOR: The Gospel of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, for us, the people of Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Prophets Rejoice!" Rev. Crickenberger

†HYMN (8:30am) "We Three Kings" UMH 254

†SONG (11:00am) "Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)" See Insert

The Journey Worship Team

†BENEDICTION Rev. Crickenberger

†11:00am CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE "How Brightly Shines the Morning Star" Pachelbel

†Please rise in body or in spirit

PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Don Hanshew, Lead Pastor
Rev. Chase Crickenberger, Associate Pastor
Leslie Hill, Director of Music Ministries
Kim Meade, Pianist
Stephanie Wayland, Organist
FCUMC's The Journey Worship Team
Nancy Nolen & Jan Tarver, Lay Readers
Craig Holtzclaw, David Hueser, Stuart Mitchell,
Richard Bolus, & Greg Smith, Multimedia

The flowers adorning the chancel this morning are given in loving memory of Carol Chamberlain on the occasion of her birthday, January 1, by her family.





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 Journey Worship (Gym & YouTube) 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary & YouTube)

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

Miss Donna, donna.lewis@fountaincityumc.org KidCheck check-in kiosk at Welcome Center 8:30 & 9:45 Fountain Kids Wednesdays 6:15-6:45pm Children's Choir Room 208 Father Daughter Dance, February 3, 2024

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

Austin Weaver, austin.weaver@fountaincityumc.org 9:45am Sunday Morning Discipleship, Room B17 Resurrection 2024, January 19-21

Celebrate Recovery

Seth Charles, seth.charles@fountaincityumc.org

Tuesdays 6:00pm Meal (Wesley Hall)

6:30pm Worship (Gym & Facebook Live)

7:30pm Open Share Groups

Children's Programs for 6mo-5th grade 6:15pm-8:30pm Crosswalk Students 6th-12th Grade, 6:15-8:30pm Tue/Wed Wednesdays 6:30pm Step Study, Room 201

Dates for Your Calendar

January 1 Happy New Year! Office closed

January 10 Fountain City Fellowship meals & classes resume, 5:30pm

January 19-21 Resurrection 2024 February 3 Father Daughter Dance February 14 Ash Wednesday Service Fountain City Fellowship Meal News!

Our Fountain City Fellowship Wednesday Night meals and programs resume January 10 at 5:30pm. For the month of January, these meals will be FREE of charge! Please register as normal: on Realm, on the pew pads in the Notes field, or by calling the church office. Registration helps our kitchen staff to be good stewards of resources, both food and financial.

FC Fellowship Discipleship Classes Return

Wednesday Night Discipleship classes will also return. Starting January 10 at 6:30pm, you can learn: what makes us Methodist in Foundations: Methodist History; how to apply Christian values to your financial life in Saving Grace; how to begin your walk with Jesus in Starting Point; and find a community as you mourn the loss of a loved one in GriefShare. More classes will start as the spring progresses, including Finding Jesus in the Psalms, Women in Christian History, and Revelating Revelation. Watch our Friday News Flash and this space-registration for these classes will open soon!

Resurrection 2024 Update

Resurrection 2024 is January 19-21. Registration is now open on Realm, or scan this QR code!



Father Daughter Dance Update

Our annual Father Daughter Dance is February 3, 2024! This is always a popular event-it will sell out FAST! Don't miss out, register on Realm or scan this QR code!



Don Hanshew, Senior Pastor pastor.don@fountaincityumc.org

Chase Crickenberger, Associate Pastor pastor.chase@fountaincityumc.org

Pastor On Call After Hours & Weekends Text or Call 865-888-0192

Regular Church Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9:00am-3:00pm



Your Giving Matters!

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Offering Envelopes are available, Ask an Usher for assistance!