

December 30, 2018



Is Born

*Eastport United Methodist Church
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Welcome to Eastport United Methodist Church

where we share our experiences of God's Kingdom with all,
through our faith, love, fellowship, and service.

Our vision is to have everyone actively involved in worship that enriches, ministries
that empower, and evangelism that embraces all.

First Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Welcome

Opening Songs

Angels We Have Heard on High, v.1,3 – UMH 238

Children, Go Where I Send Thee

Prayer

Passing of the Peace

Children's Time

Hymn of Illumination

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice, v.1,2 – UMH 224

***Scripture Reading**

Revelation 21:1-6

Witness to the Word

"Is Born"

Pastor Michelle

Sharing of Gifts & Prayer

The Unified Budget & Heaven Cent Basket for Seeds 4 Success

What Child is This? – UMH 219

***Closing Praise**

Go, Tell It on the Mountain – UMH 251

***Blessing**

***Praise Song to Send Us Forth**

*Please stand as you are able.

Participation last Sunday: 98

Adults: 92

Children: 6

Please take your poinsettia with you today. Thank you.



It is with sadness that we share the
news that
Ethel Ankeny went to be with her Lord
on Christmas Day at about 7:00 a.m.
Ethel was the wife of Rev. Edwin Ankeny,
and the mother of Cherie and Jerry.
They were our Pastoral Family from 1974 – 1983.
Please keep Ethel's family in your prayers.



OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

Thanksgiving

A SEASON OF PEACE, JOY, LOVE, HOPE



State, Country & World

THOSE AFFECTED BY THE
CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES



Our Homebound Members

Leona Bergsman, Norman Jones, Betty Storton,
Nadine Clark, Ernie Mutschler

December Prayer List

Please use the yellow prayer cards in the pews for your prayer requests, or call or email the church office. Please be aware: we will print concerns in the bulletin only if that box is checked on prayer card, or if you have notified us. We want to respect the privacy of individuals. **A new list will start on January 1st. Please let the office know if there is someone that you want kept on the prayer list.**

Robert (Bobby) Williams (Carole Williams' brother-in-law)

Bruce Shields (brother-in-law of Vicki & Curtis Clary)

Sam Cullota (Emory's extended family)

Mr. Magnus (father of Joanne Christofe's friend)

Iona Dorn (friend of Mike and Anne Owen)

Henry Moreland (former EUMC member; cousin to the Williams family)

Jason Wilcox (member)

Henry Hadaway (Jean & Dick Strucko's brother-in-law)

Abby Fitzsimmons (friend of Jack & Sherrie Little)

John Walsh (Erin Conor's uncle)

Libby Goodwin (Jennifer Smith's student)

Mike Smith (Deb Chambers' brother)

Christine Macey (Earl & Harriet's grandchild)

Barbara Miller (Barb Pearson's friend)

Lou Krebs (Mitch's Dad)

Tony Dalton (Friend of Carol & Bob Emory)

Art King (member)

Ray & Jeannette Gutkowski (The Emory's extended family)

Kate Wiltz (JoAnn's niece)

Jack Bussard's family (JoAnn Kulesza's friends)

JoAnn Kulesza (member)

Margaret & Dave Mason (JoAnn Kulesza's friends)

Jennifer Russell (friend of Michelle)

Judy Peifer (Mitch Krebs' Mom)



Happy Birthday!

Happy Anniversary!

Dec 31 – Richard Strucko

Jack Little

Jan 4 – Dennis Bergsman

Jan 1 – Barbara & Mitch Krebs

Jan 3 – Joanne & Jerry Christofel

Jan 5 – Sherrie & Jack Little

This Week at EUMC

Mon, Dec 31 **New Year's Eve Interfaith Service** (see below for details)

Tues, Jan 1 Happy New Year! Office Closed

Thurs, Jan Homework & Reading 4pm; Choir 7pm

UMW – In January, the United Methodist Women will meet on Wednesday, January 9th at our regular meeting time of 5:30. Bring a brown bag meal, and start your new year off right with the UMW! All women are welcome and encouraged to join us.

New Year's Eve Interfaith Service – Many varieties of faith groups gather to celebrate peace, unity and hope. The Rev. Dr. Carletta Allen, Asbury United Methodist Church, Annapolis, will give the message this year. Pre-service music begins at 6:30 p.m. The service starts at 7:00 p.m. and ends by 8:15. All are welcome – We hope you will spread the word about this special event. Flyers are available in Fellowship Hall.



A January Sermon Series...Four Essential Questions

Do you ever feel scattered? Overworked? Overwhelmed? Like your energy is going in too many different directions or like you are not making as much progress as you hope to on any one thing, even your spiritual life? When Martha was feeling this way and complained about it, Jesus told her: “One thing only is essential.” Come, join us as we practice discernment and as we learn to separate the essential (the one thing needful) from the many. We’ll be asking ourselves: What do I feel deeply inspired by? What am I particularly talented at? What meets a significant need in the world?”

Another Bible Study! Coming in January/February. This time, we’ll study *The Gospel According to John* in order to get our attention and our focus on Jesus for the Lenten season. Just as we did in the fall study, we’ll have a Wednesday night group and a Thursday morning group. Before Lent begins, we will study the first 12 chapters of John’s Gospel. We’ve chosen John because it seems less like a historical account of Jesus’ ministry and more of a reflection on who Jesus was and what his coming means for us. “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God.” That line alone is SO significant! But, how does that impact our faith? We’ll talk about that beginning Jan. 23rd (for Wednesday evening group) and Jan 24th (for Thursday morning group), and we’ll meet weekly until Lent begins March 6th. Get it on your calendars!

The Reverend Michelle Mejia, *Pastor*
 Nicole Hughes, *Junior Choir Director* Margie Hughes, *Heavenly Bells Director*
 JoAnn Kulesza, *Music Director & Organist*
 Bill Riggs, Sherrie Little, Sally Hight, Mike Keller, *Lay Speakers*
 Audrey Howard, Jean Strucko, *Worship Team Leaders*
 Sally & Kevin Hight, *PowerPoint Presenters*
 Shirley Owen, *Ushers Coordinator* Audrey Howard, *Greeters Coordinator*

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK
December 30, 2018

Greeters: Marty & Myrna Dobbs
Welcomer: Sherrie Little
Ushers: Jean Strucko, Kathy Volz
Prayer Leader: Sherrie Little
Reader: Eunice Corse
Children's Time: JoAnn Kulesza
Sunday School: Jacqueline Ploof
Nursery: Krista Stone, M. Wurst

Counters: Jean Wilcox, Erin Connor

THOSE SERVING NEXT WEEK
January 6, 2019

Greeters: Audrey Howard, Jerry Lesley
Welcomer: Pud Schultz
Ushers: Richard & Margie Hughes
Prayer Leader: Susan Schneider
Reader: Neil Bergsman
Children's Time: Jill Peddicord
Sunday School: Jacqueline Ploof
Nursery: Krista Stone, Jean Strucko

Counters: Paulette & Tom Schwallenberg
 Valerie Devaris & Neil Bergsman

You may contact Worship Ministry Team Leaders and Pastor Michelle
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Want to join EUMC?

The membership vows of the Methodist Church invite us to join a community of Christians and live out our commitment to follow Jesus with one another through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. Some of you have recently joined us and are already living this out but have not made the formal covenant with our congregation. We will be having some new members join soon, and if you are interested in membership or joining on a day when others will be joining also, please reach out to Pastor Michelle at eastportumcpastor@gmail.com or call the church office to speak with her.

