

January 18, 2015



The Gift of the Present: *Setting Priorities*

**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.

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## Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 18, 2015

10:00 a.m.

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### GATHERING

*Please turn off your cell phones.*

#### Gathering Music

#### Welcome

\*Processional Hymn      *This Is a Day of New Beginnings*      UMH 383

\*Opening Praise      *Day by Day*

#### \*Call to Confession of Sins

Let us pray.

**Lord Jesus Christ,**

**We confess that the distractions and busyness of our lives**

**Make it difficult to listen deeply to your voice.**

**Transform our priorities**

**So that we make space in our lives to be quiet and listen to you.**

**Jesus, seeker of the lost,**

**We confess to becoming so shaped by the values of this age**

**That your call on our lives is increasingly hard to hear.**

**Transform our values**

**So that they are shaped by your concern for the unloved and unlovely,**

**And for the weak and powerless in our society.**

**Forgive us, cleanse us, make us whole,**

**And help us remain connected to you at all times and in all places.**

*[We will observe a moment for the silent confession of our sins.]*

#### \*Words of Assurance

The God who has made us will never desert us.

The God of creation is creating still, making us new.

The God whose love gave us the gift of Jesus Christ

Is the same God whose love forgives and sustains us.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## **\*Renewing our Covenant and Sharing God's Peace**

### **Children's Time**

**Anthem**

*One Step He Leads*  
Pepper Choplin

EUMC Choir

**Joys and Concerns**

**The Lord's Prayer**

### **PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**Hymn of Illumination**

*Take Time to Be Holy, v. 1,2,4*

UMH 395

**\*Reading from Holy Scriptures** Luke 10:38-42

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Witness to the Word** *"The Gift of the Present – Setting Priorities"* Pastor Michelle

*[We will observe a moment of silence to reflect on the Word and its call and claim in our lives]*

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, HOLY COMMUNION with OFFERTORY**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

TFWS 2257a-d

**Communion Hymns**

*One Bread, One Body*

*Agnus Dei*

UMH 620

**Holy Communion** *by the ancient method of intinction, dipping the bread in the cup.*

**Sharing of Gifts** *The Unified Budget & Heaven Cent Basket for Parish Fund*

**\*Doxology**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

### **\*SENDING FORTH**

**\*Closing Song**

*I Will Follow Him*  
from "Sister Act"

**\*Blessing**

**Music to Send Us Forth**

\*Please stand as you are able.

Participation last Sunday: 89

## OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

### Thanksgiving

OUR CARING CHURCH FAMILY

### State, Country & World

PEACE, UNITY, UNDERSTANDING

### Our Homebound Members

Lois Bliss, Edna Catterton, Katherine Leitch, Esther Gannaway,  
Becky Dobrick, Neill Kinnamon, Norman Jones, Betty Owen  
Betty Storton, Nadine Clark, Ernie Mutschler



### January Prayer List\*\*

\*\*A new list will start on February 1<sup>st</sup>. Please use the yellow prayer cards in the pews for your prayer requests, or call/email the church office.



**Betty Tillack** (member)

**Rodecha Carter** (neighbor of Betty Moreland)

**Becky Owens** (friend of Amanda Owen)

**Phyllis Mosesworth** (friend of Jackie C.)

**Bill Malamphy** (member)

**Ethan Wudyka** (friend of the Conleys)

**Virva Eskold** (friend of Charlotte Kerns)

**Evelyn Dobbs** (Marty's sister-in-law)

**Lisa Robinson** (friend of Dave Owen)

**Chris Barrett** (Sally Hight's brother)

**Pat Aldersley** (member)

**The U.S. Military** (Berlyn Wheeler)

### Birthdays this Week

Jan 18 – Bob Emory, Mike Wurst, Wendy Edstrom

Jan 21 – Ed Owen

Jan 23 – Steve Duckett

### Anniversaries this Week

20 – Jean & Richard Strucko



**Altar flowers are given today  
in honor of Bob Emory's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday  
by Carol**

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon, Jan 19 Holiday – Office closed; **No** Heavenly Bells 7pm  
Tue, Jan 20 Homework and Reading 4pm  
Trustees 6:15pm; Administrative Council 7:30pm  
Wed, Jan 21 Food Pantry 1:00 -3:00pm; Kids Art Program 4pm  
Thu, Jan 22 Homework and Reading 4pm; Choir rehearsal 7pm



**Fellowship Hour** continues to be a favorite time on Sunday mornings. **Please** look at the sign-up sheet in the hall and pick a date to host. We encourage you to team up with one or two others, and to keep it as simple as you like. We're all just happy to gather round the table.

**A New Members Class** begins today, following our worship service. If you would like more information, are interested in this class, and/or becoming a member of Eastport UMC, please see Pastor Michelle.

**Out to Lunch Bunch** will start the new year off right on Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>.



We will meet at Sammy's at 12:15 and have food and fellowship, which we have come to value and enjoy. All are WELCOME! (A slice of great pizza and a soft drink are a very good deal. 😊)

**Visit our Facebook page** and "like" us so you can receive our occasional posts with pictures and other good information. Share the page with your friends.



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*  
 JoAnn Kulesza & Jill Peddicord, *Worship Team Leaders*  
 Sally & Kevin Hight, Eric Smaridge, Brady Duckett, *PowerPoint Presenters*  
 Shirley Owen, *Ushers Coordinator*    Audrey Howard, *Greeters Coordinator*  
 Jeff Conley, *Bell Ringer*    Kevin, Eric S, Brady, *The Treats Dudes*

**THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK**

**January 18, 2015**

Greeters: Jerry & Tammy Lesley  
 Prayer Leader: Sherrie Little  
 Liturgist: Mary Jane Finkle  
 Reader: Charlotte Kerns  
 Ushers: Art & Annabelle King  
 Children's Time: Michelle Anderson  
 Nursery: Kathy & Steve Duckett  
 Counters: Art & Annabelle King

**Fellowship Hosts**

Barbara Schwarz & Pud Schultz

**THOSE SERVING NEXT WEEK**

**January 25, 2015**

Greeters: Christina & Mike Valentine  
 Prayer Leader: Sherrie Little  
 Reader: Barbara Krebs  
 Ushers: Sally & Bill Malamphy  
 Children's Time: Mike Keller  
 Nursery: Lisa & Mike Stevens  
 Counters: Jackie Cunningham  
                   Ruth Gibbons, Audrey Howard

**Fellowship Time  
Volunteers??**

You may contact Worship Ministry Team Leaders and Pastor Michelle  
 through the church office, 410.263.5490.

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**Readings for Next Week**

I Thessalonians 5: 17; Phillipians 4: 4-9

Consider using **John Wesley's Three Simple Rules**  
 in your daily meditation:

***Do No Harm, Do Good, Stay in Love with God.***