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January 9, 2019

EPWORTH'S JANUARY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 13 - Baptism of the Lord
Worship services at 8:30, 9:00 and 11:00.
Come and renew your baptism!

Sunday, January 20 – Human Relations Day
Dr. Zoila Airall will bring our message at all 3 services.

Sunday, January 27
New church leaders for 2019 will be dedicated.
Backpacking events after the 9 and 11 o'clock services.
The Journeying toward Justice speaker at 3:00 will be Helen Ryde.



WORSHIP

8:30 and 11:00

Sermon: Rev. Karen H. Whitaker

Scripture: Psalm 29, Acts 8: 14-17, Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

Hymns: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* *When Jesus Came to Jordan*
How Firm a Foundation

Response Hymn at 8:30 *Child of Blessing*

Response at 11:00 *With This Water* Chancel Choir

WORSHIP

9:00

Sermon: "Covenant" Rev. Dr. Sangwoo Kim

Scripture: Isaiah 43: 1-7, Luke 3: 21-22

Songs: *Holy Spirit* *Isaiah 43* *Jesus, Name above All Names*
Blessed Be Your Name

GREETERS Marcia Carpenter, Susan Sinclair

USHERS Carl and Luisa Nordman, Tim and Bobbie Dahlgren

ACOLYTE Ben Engel **CRUCIFER** Caleb Engel

YOUTH READER Katherine Lantzy **BUS DRIVER** Tim Dahlgren

SOUND TECHNICIAN 9:00 Lewis Bass IV 11:00 Greg Bolt

JANUARY ALTAR GUILD Sharon Walker, Gail Rankin

COUNTERS Mary Catherine McSpadden, Steve Smith

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in memory of James W. Hamill by Carl and Sue Hamill.

BACKPACK EVENT

On Sunday, January 27 after the 9:00 and 11:00 worship services, we will be packing backpacks again. We provide 60 backpacks per week to Hope Valley Elementary School and two to our preschool. We will be packing 600 backpacks. This program is totally supported by the people of Epworth. With your monetary and in-kind contributions, we are able to continue this vital program for children. If you wish to give in-kind, we ask that you donate cans of vegetables (14-15 oz). Monetary contributions are always needed. Cans of vegetables may be left in the Farthex by Friday, January 25 and monetary contributions may be submitted to the church office. Your kind and generous contributions are greatly appreciated. Thanks from the Backpack Committee.

BOOK GROUP will meet on Monday, January 14, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. We will be discussing two books, **ELEANOR OLIPHANT IS OKAY** by Gail Honeyman and **KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON** by David Graham which outlines the massacre of the Osage Indians and the true development of the FBI. Everyone is welcome.

YOUTH Youth Group starts back this Sunday, Jan. 13, 5:30 – 7:15 p.m.

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY, Feb. 3. Once again our youth will be offering homemade soups following 11:00 worship. Come enjoy delicious soup, make a donation, and support our youth!



EPWORTH IS A WELCOMING CHURCH!

Are you familiar with Epworth's Reconciling Statement?

"Epworth United Methodist Church declares itself a Reconciling Congregation, seeking to welcome all persons, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, disability, gender or sexual orientation, into the discipleship of Christian living and proclaim our commitment to seek the reconciliation of all persons to God and to each other through Jesus Christ."

Our Reconciling Statement is intentionally broad in focus. We invite ALL to join us in learning about the love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ. How do we honor this commitment to radical welcome? One way is by educating ourselves about issues affecting those whom we might consider "the other." What stories do we need to hear to understand those whose experiences are different from ours? Plan to attend the next JTJ Speaker event, Jan 27 at 3PM – Helen Ryde, Southeastern Regional Organizer for the RMN: "LGBTQ United Methodists Tell Their Stories of Hope for an Inclusive UMC." All are welcome!

CLASS FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT EPWORTH AND FOR THOSE CONSIDERING BECOMING A MEMBER

This class will meet this Sunday, Jan. 13 and continue on Sunday, Jan. 27 during the Sunday School hour – 9:45 til 10:45 in the church office conference room. Contact Pastor Karen if you plan to attend or if you have questions.

WELCOME TO ACS REALM—Our New Church Software!

Thank you for filling out the Google Forms. With the updated information you entered, we have created your accounts on ACS Realm, our new church software. You will receive an invitation soon (some of you may have already received one) to join the Epworth community on Realm. Please take a few moments to respond to the invitation—be assured that it is safe and not spam!

You will receive a separate email about the privacy settings of our online directory. The only personal information that will be shared within our community is your name, your address, your phone number, and your email address. You can also set/reset your own privacy settings at any time on your profile page.

Each adult will have their own profile page. Your record of gifts will be accessible through your profile page as well as your total amount pledged. There is a free Realm application available for both Apple and Android phones—download from the App Store on your phone and try it!

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JANUARY 2019

<p>13 7:30 Praise Team Rehearsal Worship Services: 8:30, 9:00, 11:00 9:50 Sunday School 9:50 New Member class 10:15 Chancel Choir 5:30 UMYF</p>	<p>14 1:00 Book Group 3:15 Tutoring 7:30 Epworth Orchestra</p>	<p>15 6:45 a.m. Men's Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>16 3:00 Prayer Group 3:15 Tutoring 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>17 11:00 Bible Study 7:00 AA 7:00 Eve Circle</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 9:00 - 12:00 Cantata Rehearsal</p>
<p>20 7:30 Praise Team Rehearsal Worship Services: 8:30, 9:00, 11:00 9:50 Sunday School 10:15 Chancel Choir 12:30 JTJ committee 5:30 UMYF</p>	<p>21 MLK Holiday - Church office closed NO TUTORING 1:30 Ruth Circle 7:00 Trustees 7:30 Epworth Orchestra</p>	<p>22 6:45 a.m. Men's Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>23 3:00 Prayer Group 3:15 Tutoring 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>24 11:00 Bible Study 7:00 AA</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 7:30 Praise Team Rehearsal Worship Services: 8:30, 9:00, 11:00 9:50 Sunday School 9:50 New Member class 10:15 Chancel Choir (Backpacking after 9 And 11 services) 3:00 JTJ Speaker 5:30 UMYF</p>	<p>28 12:30 Susanna Circle 3:15 Tutoring 7:30 Epworth Orchestra</p>	<p>29 6:45 a.m. Men's Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>30 3:00 Prayer Group 3:15 Tutoring 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>31 11:00 Bible Study 7:00 AA</p>		