

Welcome!

Rise in body or in spirit where designated by * Please join in speaking the words in bold.

Sunday, January 19, 2025

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness extends above the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains; your judgments are as deep as the seas.

Your people take refuge in the shadow of your wings; they feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. Your unfailing love is given to all who honor you and salvation to the upright of heart!

from Psalm 36

*HYMN Jesus Calls Us UMH #398

*OPENING PRAYER

Spirit of God, come into our lives again, fill us with a sense of eagerness to hear more and learn more, to put greater trust in you and to trust less our instincts, our inclinations. Enable us to treasure things that last and to stop chasing after things that are shiny but unfulfilling. Give us grace to pursue loftier goals: freedom, justice, dignity and equality for all persons everywhere. We pray in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG Sweet, Sweet Spirit UMH #334

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LESSON Exodus 32:1-14

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE "Eight Seconds on the Golden Calf"

Pastor Rick Carlson

INVITATION TO GIVING

In the freedom and contentment that comes from abiding in Christ, let us return thanks to God for our many blessings as we gather today's offering.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise God ye creatures here below Alleluiah! Alleluiah! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit! Alleluiah! Alleluiah!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN Lift Every Voice and Sing UMH #519

*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

Please join us for a time of sharing in the Fireside Room.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Greeters Carol Buvel, Mark Lauber, and Sonja Hunter

Liturgist Steve Granholm

Media Dane Granholm, Laura Suskin

Pastor Pastor Rick Carlson

For pastoral care, please contact Pastor Rick at 630-564-0413

Adult Education Forum

Our Sunday Morning Adult Faith Forum returns this Sunday, January 5. This forum is a welcoming space for open dialogue, reflection, and a deeper understanding of how our faith shapes our lives. We'd love for you to be part of the conversation as we grow together in community. All adults are urged to attend.

Special Music

Do you or someone you know have a musical talent to share? We're coordinating music for our worship services and would love for you to be a part of it! Please reach out to Marcia or call/text 331-276-7979.

Game Day

Every other Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room In February, we will meet on February 5 and February 19

Come and relive the fun! Long-time members may remember the great times we had playing card games, board games, and dominoes. Let's bring those good memories back! Join us for Game Day on Wednesday afternoons in the Fireside Room. There will be snacks and plenty of fun—everyone is welcome!

Mission Collection: Help Wrap 1,000 Shoe Boxes!

We need your help to gather supplies for an exciting mission project. We are collecting Christmas wrapping paper (partial rolls or sheets), scotch tape, and hats for kids ages 6 to 13. Take this opportunity to clean out your wrapping paper stash and join in the effort to bring joy to children in need.

All are welcome to help with wrapping the boxes, and your contributions will make a big difference. The collection deadline is February 14. You can drop off items at church or contact Marcia Buchs at 331-276-7979 to arrange a pickup. Let's come together to make this project a success!



Our services are livestreamed on YouTube each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Visit **youtube.com/@fumcdundee** to view our past services. Scan the QR code to view our YouTube channel.



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