

The Focus

First United Presbyterian Church
695 East Calvin Street, Fayetteville, Arkansas

Sunday Worship

First Service:
8:30 a.m.
Announcements:
10:55 a.m.
Second Service:
11:00 a.m.

Spiritual Growth
9:30-10:30 a.m.

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Office Hours
Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

For more information about upcoming events, please contact us, visit our website, or find us on Facebook.

Mission Statement
Called to be a light on the hill, we boldly proclaim and serve Christ, the Hope of our changing world.

Vision Statement
Reaching out as a visible expression of God's grace, we will meet people where they are, inviting all into Christ's family through engaging worship, fellowship, learning, and service.

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ADVENT SERMON SERIES

Advent this year begins with the Hanging of the Greens on Sunday, December 1, when we prepare the sanctuary and our hearts for the coming of God in Christ into the world. Our Advent worship theme is **“Longing for Shalom.”** Shalom is a rich Hebrew word that can mean peace, wholeness, or harmony: God’s creation reflecting the Creator’s good order and purposes. The angels appeared to the shepherds on the night of Jesus’ birth proclaiming “peace on earth, and God’s favor to all” (Luke 2:14). In a world and a nation divided and in conflict, we will be seeking God’s peace in our own life, and embracing God’s call to be agents of God’s peace in the world.

December 1 Trusting God for Shalom (Isaiah 26:1-12; Numbers 6:22-27) / Hanging of the Greens
December 8 Waiting and Hoping for Shalom (Isaiah 55:6-13; 57:14-21) / Alternative Market
December 15 Christmas Canticles (A Musical Celebration of Advent and Christmas)
December 22 Claiming Shalom (Isaiah 9:2-7) / Communion / Christmas Brunch
December 24 Shalom in a Manger (Luke 2:1-20) / Candlelight Worship - 5:30 p.m.
December 29 The Light and Glory of Shalom (Luke 2:21-28 / one service only at 11:00 a.m.)

Spiritual Growth Sundays, 9:30 a.m.

Adult Spiritual Growth opportunities include:

The Present Word Bible Study on Honoring God with Dennis Brewer and Jane Steinkraus (Calvin 203).

The Second Mountain: The Quest for a Moral Life by David Brooks with Rev. Phil Butin and Derrick Olsen (Calvin 201).

It's A Wonderful Life: A Bible Study Based On The Christmas Classic by Alan Vermilye with Phil and Melissa Harrington (Upper Witherspoon).

Youth are invited to join Jacob and Brianne Christiansen in Lower Witherspoon each Sunday for UPY Mornings. (See the UPY section inside for more details.)

Children entering preschool-sixth grade are invited to join our teachers in Knox. (See the children’s section inside for more details.)

Professional childcare and a special Bible activity are coordinated by Molly Murray for children under three years old in Lower Calvin.

On Sunday, January 5, we will join with the other adult classes in Upper Witherspoon to hear a presentation from Marti Woodruff and Leigh Woodruff on the immigration challenges facing our country at the southern border.

Regular Spiritual Growth discussions will resume January 12.



IT'S TIME TO HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN!

Between November 24-December 24, our Online Church Directory will be available in print in the Gathering Place for your contact info updates. We will also need brand new photos of everyone so please come between services or stay after late service to have a quick picture taken. We hope to have an up-to-date directory at the start of the new year. The Welcoming Ministry Team will be ready to help you over the next four Sundays and on Christmas Eve.

STATEMENTS OF FAITH FROM NEW OFFICERS

Incoming elders and deacons will gather with the Session in Upper Witherspoon from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on December 5 to give Statements of Faith. We encourage the attendance of the full Session for this inspiring evening. A brief Session meeting will follow to conduct any important year-end business.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TO ELECT ELDERS

Names of individuals willing to serve as elders will be brought to the congregation by the Nominating Ministry Team immediately following late worship on December 15.

CHRISTMAS APPRECIATION DINNER FOR ELDERS AND DEACONS



Christmas Dinner

Each December, we say "thank you" to elders and deacons who have given faithful service in the congregation and we welcome those who are about to serve on the Session or Board of Deacons. Current, outgoing, incoming elders, deacons, any who serve as support to the Session, and partners are invited to attend this annual appreciation dinner. This year, it will be held on Sunday, December 15, 6:00-9:00 p.m., at Mt. Sequoyah Retreat Center, Parker Hall. (The location is on the left soon

after the entrance and will be clearly marked.) A kitchen group is being established. Please call if you'd like to help! All salads, rolls, and desserts will be prepared ahead of the event by this group. Appetizers, meat, potatoes/ rice, vegetables, and beverages are needed the day of the event. We ask that each elder or deacon bring one dish (that serves 12) to share. Please call the Church Office for more specific information. Thank you in advance!

HAT AND MITTEN TREE



During the month of December, Presbyterian Women will place a Christmas tree in the Gathering Place that is covered with mitten ornaments. We invite you to "decorate" the tree with hats, mittens, and SOCKS that we will donate to the outreach programs of Fayetteville Public Schools. The social workers are always so grateful for our donations and tell us the students are excited to have warm items to wear.

SANCTUARY POINSETTIAS



Poinsettia dedications and donations are now being accepted. These poinsettias adorn the Sanctuary through January 6 (Epiphany). If you would like to honor or remember a loved one in this beautiful way, please contact the Church Office (442-4411 or officemanager@fupcfay.org) or fill out the poinsettia forms and envelopes that are available each Sunday on the tall table in the Gathering Place. You may place the envelope with your gift (in any amount) in the offering. All dedications will be listed on an insert in the Christmas Eve bulletin. These gifts support the flower ministry of FUPC all year.

POINSETTIA DELIVERIES

During the first week of December, deacons and elders will be distributing poinsettia plants to members who are homebound or who have experienced a special need or joy this year. These plants will be available for delivery by deacons and elders in the hallway outside the church office beginning Friday, December 6. Please write your initials by the names on the poinsettia delivery list when picking up the plants. All plants need to be delivered by Friday, December 13, so members can enjoy them as Christmas approaches.



Subscribe

HEARD THE NEWS? WE'RE LIVESTREAMING EVERY SUNDAY!

You can now watch the FUPC late service any Sunday that you are out of town or when you are unable to be in worship! All you need to do is to get on your computer, click the Google icon to go to our website (fupcfay.org), click "Search Now" in the right column, and choose the service you want to hear. A special thanks goes to Chris Verdery, Audiovisual Coordinator, for working hard to make livestreaming a reality and to Drew Parker for the excellent camera work!

What's Happening in December



December 6, 13, 20
10:00 a.m. • Lower Witherspoon

Hooks and Needles is a Presbyterian Women's group. Bring your favorite project and join us for fellowship, fun, and crafting. All are welcome!

December 17

4:00 p.m. • The Chapel, BTV

Butterfield Trail Village worship and communion is open to members and any friends who wish to participate.



December 4, 11, 18

3:45 p.m. • Butterfield Trail Village

If you'd like to participate in the prayer group, please call Ann Roberts (530-9570) for the weekly locations.



December Date TBA

12:00 p.m. • Western Sizzlin

Join us as we share joys and concerns, pray for one another, and apply a scripture passage to our daily lives. ***Check the weekend update and announcement for updates.**



December 10, 17 only

Yoga • Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

(Yoga does not meet on the first Tuesday, Christmas Eve, or New Year's Eve)

Zumba • Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hall or
Upper Witherspoon

Bring comfortable clothes, sneakers, and energy! Suggested donation is \$5.00. The community is invited.

Weekdays and Sunday

Fall is the perfect time to find a cozy spot to curl up with a good book. The FUPC library has a bit of something for everyone!

Young Adult Lunch - This month, we will meet after church on Sunday, December 1. Hope to see you there!

Young Adult Break Hangout - Save the Date - Since we're all in town for Christmas break, let's get other and reconnect! Save Saturday, January 4, on your calendar, location and time TBD.



December 4, 11, 18
6:30 a.m. • Village Inn

Join us any Wednesday for breakfast, coffee, prayer, fellowship, scripture, and meditation. It's free pie day, too! There's every reason to attend.

Chancel Bells and Chancel Choir

Bells are at 6:00 and
 Choir is at 7:00 p.m.

Email ithomas@fupcfay.org for more information.



December 19

7:00 p.m. • Library

Poetic Conversations

Let's read poetry together! Please bring one or two poems you've written or someone else's work to share. Adults, teens, and children are invited to read. Refreshments are served.



Parents Group • December 6 and 20
11:00 a.m. • Room 201

Stepping on Cheerios by Betsy Singleton Snyder has been fun! This group meets twice a month. Attend when you can. Childcare is provided!



Sunday Supper • December 1
Food Prep, 11:00 a.m.

Meal, 3:00 p.m.

(Trinity United Methodist Church)



7hills • December 20

Food Prep, 8:30 a.m.

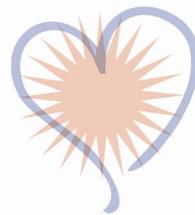
Meal, 11:00 a.m.

(7hills Homeless Center)

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Heidi Nash (957-8345 or littlehen53@hotmail.com).

Flexible Availability

Healing Touch is a ministry we have with St. Paul's Episcopal Church. It is a gentle, hands-on practice designed to promote peace and relaxation. Please visit healingtouchprogram.com or call 301-5135 for more information.



Available

If you are facing change and need someone to listen, Stephen ministers are available to care, pray, and visit with you. They offer confidential, one-to-one support. For more information or to begin a caring relationship, please call Jan Butin (442-4411).



STEPHEN
MINISTRY



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Celebration at the Manger
December 8 • 4:30 p.m.

All two-year-old to fifth grade children are invited to participate in our exciting Christmas Program, Celebration at the Manger.

This is an opportunity for children to retell the Christmas story in an easy-to-follow script.

Third, fourth and fifth graders can participate with simple speaking roles.

Children who would like to play a musical instrument or sing a Christmas song can talk to Kristi. We'd love to have you!

Children will practice every Sunday at 10:15 a.m. beginning November 24 in Lower Knox. Final rehearsal is at 9:30 on December 8.

Children will gather for costumes at 4:00 p.m. on December 8. The performance will begin at 4:30 p.m. Pizza, salad, and ice cream follow in Fellowship Hall. The Hewats are bringing live animals from their farm to be outdoors at the stable afterward. Come and join the fun!



A place where 7th-12th graders come to mature as people, form relationships, and have fun. Together we serve others, learn about God, and reach out to each other.

UPY Mornings • Sundays, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Lower Witherspoon

UPY Together • Sundays, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Upper Witherspoon

Guys' Small Group • Wednesdays, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Lower Witherspoon

UPY Christmas Party - The annual tradition continues... this time with new guests! On Sunday, December 15, from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., UPY will have a Christmas party! This year we are having a joint party with the youth group from First Presbyterian, Springdale. The Byars have graciously agreed to host. Dinner is provided, but please bring a Christmas snack to share. Oh... and there will be a White Elephant Gift Exchange, too. Bring something funny, silly, or outright weird to give away. See you then!

UPY Christmas Break - Beginning Monday, December 16, UPY will be on winter break. UPY Mornings, UPY Together, and Guys' Small Group will not meet until the new year. These regular weekly meetings will start up again in January: UPY Mornings returns on January 5, UPY Together returns on January 12, and Guys' Small Group returns on January 15. Enjoy the break!

Ski Trip Updates - More than 25 youth and chaperones from three churches in Arkansas (FUPC, First Presbyterian in Springdale, and Trinity in Little Rock) will be traveling together to the beautiful Colorado Rockies this winter. We will depart on December 28 and return on January 2. While we're very excited, there are a few things we would like to request from this congregation:

>Prayer that everyone would stay safe traveling and skiing.

>Prayer that our students would deepen their faith as we talk about our theme of "Go Tell It On the Mountain."

>Extra ski gear - if anyone has ski/snow gear they are willing to lend our students for this trip, please contact Brianne (bchristiansen@fupcfay.org). We will ensure the gear is returned in good shape!

>Winter car gear - if anyone has winter car gear to lend us for the trip, again please contact Brianne. Thank you in advance!

UPY "Christmas Wish List" - We are looking for a couple of gently used items for our youth spaces. If anyone has a basketball hoop/backboard, sports shelving/sports rack, or a pool table that you are willing to donate to UPY, reach out to Brianne or Jacob Christiansen (bchristiansen@fupcfay.org). Thank you!
New Year Challenge! For any and all 7-12th graders, our challenge to you as we head into 2020 is to consider coming to UPY Together on Sunday nights. We meet from 5:00-7:00 p.m. and enjoy dinner, games, and discussions/service projects. This is an awesome time to take a break from daily/weekly stresses and focus on building relationships and learning about God. If you're already a regular UPY Together attendee, your challenge is to bring a friend or encourage another FUPC student to come. UPY Together begins again after winter break on January 12.

UPY Save the Date -

Possible UPY Mission Trip | June 7-13
Possible VBS Week at FUPC | June 15-19
Mo-Ranch Senior High Celebration | June 21-26
Mo-Ranch Junior High Jubilee | July 5-9



Christmas Party:

All 4-6th graders are invited to the home of Ashleigh Hemphill from 2:00-4:00 p.m. on December 15. Bring a fun ornament, wrapped for a gift exchange.



First School students and their families enjoyed a Thanksgiving luncheon in Fellowship Hall before the break. It's always a special time to gather with families. The Christmas festivities are in full swing and we are busy practicing for our Christmas programs that are on December 12 and 13. This spring, our school will go through the Better Beginnings assessment procedure to maintain our 3-star rating. It is a lot of work, but well worth it to know we are offering quality care to our students.



Honoring December Graduates - On December 8, we will honor December graduates. If you'd like to have your name or a loved one's listed in the bulletin, please email the name, school and degree to Jacob Christiansen (jchristiansen@fupcfay.org) by Wednesday, December 4. Also, please let Jacob know if your graduate will be present on December 8; we'd like to recognize them with prayer and a small gift.

Daily Bible Readings

12/1 Luke 21: 5-19	12/9 Revelation 1: 1-8	12/17 Matthew 24: 32-44	12/25 Micah 4:1-5, 5: 2-4
12/2 2 Peter 1: 1-11	12/10 Psalms 85, 94	12/18 Genesis 3: 8-15	12/26 2 Chronicles 24: 17-22
12/3 Amos 3: 1-11	12/11 Matthew 23: 1-12	12/19 Titus 1: 1-16	12/27 Proverbs 8: 22-30
12/4 Matthew 21: 23-32	12/12 Amos 9: 1-10	12/20 1 Samuel 2: 1b-10	12/28 Matthew 18: 1-14
12/5 Psalms 126; 62	12/13 Haggai 1: 1-15	12/21 2 Samuel 7: 1-17	12/29 Colossians 1: 9-20
12/6 Jude 1-16	12/14 Revelation 3: 1-6	12/22 Galatians 3: 1-14	12/30 3 John 1-15
12/7 Amos 5: 18-27	12/15 John 5: 30-47	12/23 Jeremiah 31: 10-14	12/31 Psalms 98; 146
12/8 2 Thessalonians 1: 5-12	12/16 Zechariah 1: 7-17	12/24 Isaiah 60: 1-6	



Annual Reports

As 2019 comes to a close, we ask that all ministry team moderators turn in a summary of the accomplishments of the committee this year. Please watch your email for a uniform template for all reports. The annual report will be compiled in mid-January for presentation at a Congregational Meeting in February.



Ministry Teams

12/1 Planning	4:00 p.m.	The Commons	12/8 Worship	2:00 p.m.	The Commons
12/4 First School	12:45 p.m.	Calvin 201	12/10 Properties	6:00 p.m.	Calvin 201
12/4 Stewardship	5:45 p.m.	The Commons	12/11 Outreach	5:30 p.m.	Calvin 201
12/5 Session	6:00 p.m.	Upper Witherspoon	12/15 Deacons	12:15 p.m.	Upper Witherspoon

*Additional/updated ministry meeting dates and times will be printed in the weekend update and announcements.

Joys and Concerns

You may call or email the Church Office with a prayer need or joy at any time. We will include it on the weekly Intercessory Prayer List. You may also request to receive the Prayer List by email. Each week, we also remember congregations, individuals, and the connections we have within the Presbytery of Arkansas.

December 1	First, Paragould	Church Custodians
December 8	Mountainburg Church, Mountainburg	Active and Retired Ministers
December 15	Laotian Ministry, Fort Smith	First, Stuttgart
December 22	Memorial Church, Atkins	First, Walnut Ridge
December 29	Kirk of the Hills, Fairfield Bay	Church Pre-Schools

Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep.

December Birthdays

12/1 Sam Warren	12/9 Benjamin Koeppe*	12/17 Brett Torbett	12/27 Betty Ezell
12/1 Ridley Weeks	12/9 Huxley Nimmo	12/17 Arrow Willis*	12/30 Cindy Andersen
12/4 Sally Ramey	12/10 Heidi Nash	12/19 Larry Stubbs	12/31 Lin Oliver
12/4 Phil Wilson	12/11 Ted Belden	12/21 Elliot Eichmann**	
12/5 Don Cox	12/11 Jon Fagg	12/21 Russell Johnson	
12/5 Reid Johnson	12/11 Angie Hewat	12/21 Dick Oliver	
12/5 Mary Mann	12/11 Peter Miller	12/21 Vic Parkerson	
12/5 Isaac Thomas	12/13 Hannah Leal*	12/21 David Swain	
12/6 Buckley Bridges	12/14 Yazmin Saldierna*	12/21 Diane Warren	
12/7 Ellen Smith	12/15 Ed Clausen	12/23 Ann Roberts	
12/8 Beth Stockdell	12/17 Kristen Curry	12/23 Marti Woodruff	
12/9 Valerie Harlan	12/17 Eunice Millett	12/27 Jesse Cox	

If we have missed your birthday we sincerely apologize. We are presently finalizing the updates to our database.

* child
** youth

Special Offerings

December 8
December 15
December 22

Vera Lloyd Presbyterian Family Services
The Birthday Fund

Joy Gift benefits retired pastors and racial-ethnic students in Presbyterian colleges and universities.

Christmas Eve

The Individual Assistance Fund serves community members in times of need.

Happy Birthday, Ellen!



December 7, 2019, is Ellen Smith's 105th birthday! We will be collecting birthday cards for Ellen on Sunday December 8. Please bring a birthday card for Ellen to worship or plan to arrive a few minutes early to sign a card. We will present the cards and sing Happy Birthday to her after worship in the Gathering Place on the following Sunday, December 15 and we will also receive the December Birthday Offering in her honor that day. If you would like to make a Birthday Fund gift in her honor, we invite you to do so at that time. Birthday Offering designation cards and envelopes are available in the Gathering Place.

Presbyterian Women

Small Groups:

are you looking to connect with other women in our church? There's a group for you, whether you need morning, afternoon, or evening meeting time. Some of our groups follow a traditional Bible study and others study various books. All women are welcome! If you have questions about which group to try, feel free to email Katie Jackson at wwscribner@yahoo.com. Childcare is available by request!

Horizon Bible Study Groups

Circle 1 will not be meeting in December.

Circle 2

December 3 at 6:15 p.m. at the home of Kristi Button

Our study is *Accidental Saints* by Nadia Bolz-Weber.

For additional information, contact Melissa Harrington at missyjeans@yahoo.com.

Circle 3 will not be meeting in December.

Circle 4

December 9 at 11:30 a.m. at the home of Sara Koenig

Our December meeting will be a time of fellowship with a Christmas luncheon. No lesson study

For additional information, contact Lina Long at pelong@cox.net.

Covenant Group meeting TBD and announced in upcoming weekend updates and bulletin announcements.



NEW MEMBERS

If any visitors in the congregation would still like to join FUPC in 2019, please contact either of our co-pastors, Phil or Jan Butin, or the moderator of the Belonging Ministry Team, Claudia Driver. The Church Office (442-4411) can provide phone numbers.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES!

Announcing the 2019 Alternative Gift Market at FUPC Sunday, December 8– 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Can't figure out what to give that person on your Christmas list?

How about a goat that will be sent to a family in need of milk, who can make cheese and support themselves with the proceeds? Want to give someone something a bit different? A piece of art from a Life Styles client may be the perfect choice, or perhaps a necklace made from someone in Africa or South America? There will be scarves, mittens, and blankets made by our own Hooks and Needles group. Every purchase benefits someone in need – in need of a job, in need of a home, in need of hope.

Make plans to be here December 8 and tell your friends to come!

If you know of a worthy organization that might want to participate, please have them contact Dennis Brewer – dbrewer@uark.edu.

Session Highlights
Stated Session Meeting – November 10, 2019

Session approved...

Update of Church Rolls:

- * **New members** (received at the 11:00 a.m. worship service on October 13, 2019):
 - * **Iris Gabriela Velazquez Jimenez**, by profession of faith.
 - * **Coral Celeste Sotelo Velazquez**, by profession of faith.
- * **New members** (received at the 11:00 a.m. worship service on October 20, 2019):
 - * **Darren Thomas Gould** and **Kara Ann Jolliff Gould**, by reaffirmation of faith.
 - * **Jacyn (Jacey) Elizabeth Jolliff Gould**, by reaffirmation of faith.
- * **New members** (received at the 11:00 a.m. worship service on October 27, 2019):
 - * **Ross Warren Ferguson**, by profession of faith.
 - * **Hillary Donna Fischer**, by reaffirmation of faith.
- * **Baptisms:**
 - * **Iris Gabriela Velazquez Jimenez** and her children **Brayan Cazares Velazquez**, **Brianna Ruby Cazares Velazquez**, and **Janeth Cazares Velazquez** were baptized on October 13, 2019; Revs. Phil and Jan Butin officiated.
 - * **Coral Celeste Sotelo Velazquez**, daughter of Yadira Velazquez, was baptized on October 13, 2019; Revs. Phil and Jan Butin officiated.
 - * **Cole Alex Ogden**, son of Jean (Kelly) Ogden and Roy Ogden, was baptized on October 20, 2019; Revs. Phil and Jan Butin officiated.

Session Resignation:

- * Elder **Ben Ober** (Class of 2020) resigned from his position, effective October 13, 2019. Elder **Megan Ober** will now serve solely in the position that was jointly occupied by Ben and Megan.

Motions

- * a motion from the Trustees and the Stewardship Committee to establish a Mission and Outreach Restricted Fund.
- * a motion from the Outreach Committee that the amount of \$15,000 from the Outreach portion of the Stalker Gift shall be used to establish a Mission and Outreach Restricted Fund governed by rules set forth by the Session and the Trustees.
- * a motion to extend the Charter for Boy Scout Troop 142 for the year 2020.

Session Minutes are available to members of the congregation by request in the Church Office and will be provided through the Clerk of Session.

Phillip Harrington
Clerk of Session



**HOW ARE YOU CALLED?
THE HOLY SPIRIT SHINES IN HONDURAS!**

During Spring Break, 2020 there will be two Presbytery of Arkansas Mission Trips at the same time: March 21-28. One trip will cost about \$1,500 and will be led by Leigh Woodruff. It will focus on assisting Honduran families in the Copán region to construct new block homes. The other trip will cost about \$1,300 and will be led by Pastor Phil Butin. It will focus on fellowship, worship, and solidarity with Honduran Presbyterians and will include visits to various congregations and learning opportunities to better appreciate the challenges that face them.

The deadline for applications is December 1, 2019. A week in Honduras will change your life forever! For more information about the Copán Construction Trip, please contact Leigh Woodruff at leigh.woodruff@yahoo.com or (479) 601-1437. For more information about the Tegucigalpa Relationship Building Trip, please contact Rev. Phil Butin at pbutin@fupcfay.org or (479) 442-4411. Both are bilingual and have been to Honduras several times over the past six years. Each trip has a maximum of 20 participants. Youth/children may come with a parent. All participants will have an orientation to properly prepare for the trip. Donations are appreciated, sent to the Presbytery Office, 9221 N. Rodney Parham Road, Little Rock, AR 72227.



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Rev. Jan Butin, Co-Pastor
Rev. Phil Butin, Co-Pastor
Kristi Button, Christian Education Director
Noelia Cerna, Office Manager
Brienne Christiansen, Co-Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
Jacob Christiansen, Co-Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
Barbara Gust, Membership Secretary
Cathy Hairston, First School Director
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Core Values

Inspiring Worship • Psalm 105:1-3

Praising God together and being touched and changed by the Spirit

Spiritual Growth • Colossians 2:6-7

Encouraging growth by studying scripture and the Christian faith

Loving Relationships • I John 4:11

Nurturing connections in a joyful and safe environment

Faithful Service • I John 3:18

Working together to reflect and demonstrate God's love to all people

Generous Stewardship • II Corinthians 9:8

Sharing our gifts and cultivating our resources for God's purposes

Welcoming Community • I Thessalonians 2:8

Striving to be an inviting and supportive Christian family