



January 8, 2012

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10:00 AM

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

Welcome! We're glad you're here.

Please sign in using the attendance books along the center aisles.

PRELUDE: ***Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend***

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now

by Johann Walther (1684-1748)

ACOLYTES

Emma Speir & Bernice Robinson

Enter with the symbol of the Light of Christ

MOMENTS OF WELCOME:

GREETING

VISITORS

REGISTRATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* TRINITY BELLS (Stand as you are able)

CHORAL INTROIT

This Is the Day

by Natalie Sleeth

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Fred Bowe, Liturgist

(based on Genesis 1:1-5)

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Leader: In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

All: The earth was barren, with no form of life. It was under a deep ocean and covered with darkness.

Leader: But the Spirit of God was moving over the waters - and God spoke, saying "let there be light". And there was light.

All: God saw the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness.

Leader: God called the light "day" and the darkness he called "night". And there was evening, and there was morning - the first day.

* OPENING HYMN #152

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Tune: Forest Green

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER

SHARING KNOWN NEEDS

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

by George Whelpton

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Barbara Jo Wilson

Children's Church School through fourth grade is available. Parents visiting for the first time, please follow your children to the exit door to register.

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 43:1-7

Fred Bowe, Liturgist

(The **Old** Testament, page 631 NRSV)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

ANTHEM

O the Blessedness is Great

Early American Moravian Church Music

by Johann Christian Bechler, arr. by Clarence Dickinson

English translation by Helen Dickinson

The Aldersgate Chorale

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:4-11

Rev. John Yoon

(The **New** Testament, page 32 NRSV)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

SERMON

Purpose Driven Baptism

Rev. John Yoon

CONGREGATIONAL REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Hymnal page 50-53

* HYMN #252

When Jesus Came to Jordan

Tune: Complainer

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BWV 639

Lord, hear the voice of my complaint

by J.S. Bach

* DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* SENDING HYMN #2117 (The Faith We Sing)

Spirit of God

(vs 1, 2, 4, 5)

Tune: Dove Song

* BENEDICTION

Rev. John Yoon

POSTLUDE

Toccata in A minor

by Jan Pieter Sweelinck

* DENOTES STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE.

In Our Prayers:

Our sympathy and prayers for Dorothy Wilson on the death of Bob Wilson, December 20, 2011. A memorial service will be held at the church on Saturday, January 28, 2:00 pm. Reception following.

Our sympathy and prayers for Donna Woodard on the death of her mother. Donna is in Ohio for the services.

Our sympathy and prayers for Margaret Berger on the death of her sister on December 26.

In convalescent care

Natta Lea McCormack	Howard Nolan
Dellaurs Hocking	Nancy Lasater
Ruby Gregory	Leonard Shaw
Faith Ruddell	Betty Kiech
Kirk Ferguson	Michael Scholl

For health and support

Martha Devine	Josephine Duncan
Bob Schiffer	Manette Tomlinson
Pam Garnett	Jason Handen
Allean Blose	Emily Shaw
Myra Williams	Lisa Thomas
Sarah Six	Vijay Roberts
Shayne Guy	Judi Jack
Chandra Roberts's sister Taj	Pam Carrasco
Laurel McDonald	Barbara Spencer
Sue Byers	Debbie Boone
Eli Sturman	Casey Graves
Brandy Gould	Nathanial Pritchard
Jim Thomas	Cathy Edwards

United Methodist Women

January 11 — Executive Board will meet at 9:30 AM in Mary's Kitchen.

January 14 — UMW District Training

Local unit officers are invited to attend the training session at St. Paul's UMC in San Bernardino. This session is sponsored by the District UMW. See Lynn Ashworth if you can go; we'll carpool.

January 18 — The first unit meeting of 2012 will be at 10:00 AM in Koinonia. We will have our annual Service of Remembrance, as well as an opportunity to make our pledges for the year. There will be a social time with coffee and goodies as we gather. A very special invitation goes to the women who joined the church recently. We hope you will want to be an active part of our UMW.

January 25 — This is our very important IDEA DAY (9:30 AM, Asbury), looking at possible projects to be made by the Handcrafters for our Fall Bazaar. Though many items are made at home by individuals, there are many cute ideas best done by many hands working together. If you have seen cute projects, or spotted them in magazines, do plan to share them. Some of us come just to be inspired by others' ideas. It is a fun time together; plan to be a part of it.

The ministers of First United Methodist Church of Riverside are its members. Assisting them are Bishop Mary Ann Swenson, District Superintendent Bau Dang, and the church staff: Sr. Pastor, John Yoon; Office Manager, Barbara Lee Bush; Secretary, Rebecca Ruiz; Director of Children's & Women's Ministries, Barbara Jo Wilson; Youth Leader, Bradley Tomlinson; Aldersgate Director, Alice Wymer; Organist, Marc Longlois; Bell Choirs Director, Gayla Lonsbery; Preschool Director, Lee Ann Salmon.

2012 Offering

Envelopes

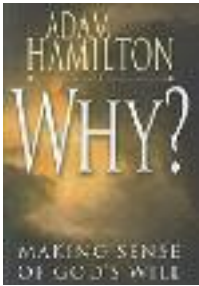
are available for pick up in the church office.

Faith & Fellowship

Faith & Fellowship will host our first fellowship gathering for 2012 on January 22, immediately following the church service.

The menu will include an appetizer potluck. There will be a poster available in the Fellowship Patio today to sign up for the special appetizers you will bring. On this day we are asking for donations of hats, gloves and scarves that will be donated to the shelters where FUMCOR assists with the hunger ministry. We look forward to this first opportunity of fellowship with you all in 2012.

If you have any questions, please contact Marcia Bales, 901-9123.



When the ground shakes, and a poor nation's economy is destroyed; when the waters rise, washing away a community's hopes and dreams; when a child suffers neglect and abuse; when violence tears apart nations;

where is God? If God is all powerful, and if each one of us is a beloved child of God, then how can God allow tragedy and suffering to infest his creation?

In *Why? Making Sense of God's Will* best-selling author Adam Hamilton brings fresh insight to the age-old question of how to understand the will of God. Rejecting simplistic answers and unexamined assumptions, Hamilton addresses how we can comprehend God's plan for the world and ourselves.

Everyone is welcome to this study during Sunday School time, 8:45 AM in the Adult Lounge. During the five weeks beginning January 22, we will explore the questions *Why Do the Innocent Suffer?*, *Why Do My Prayers Go*

Unanswered?, *Why Can't I See God's Will for My Life?*, *Why God's Love Prevails*. Books will be available in the church office for \$10. See Pastor John for more information.

Children's Ministry

On Friday, January 20, we'll kick off the year with a Family Movie Night. Gather in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM. Mark the date — more details to follow in the next bulletin.

Women's Retreat

Our Women's Retreat Weekend is approaching very quickly. This is a time to get together with other women in the church for a spirit-filled experience.

Our leader this year is Rev. Diane Davis who led us on our first retreat journey. She will be helping us to see the "Amazing in Grace."

Pastor Sheila Kane and Sharen Topham will be with us this year. It will be great to visit and catch up with them since they moved away.

We extended the date for completing the registration form to January 17. I must give a final count on Wednesday, January 18. Please know that we have some funds to assist with the cost if you need help. Just let Barbara Jo Wilson know as soon as possible. This is confidential information.

Sunday, January 8

- 7:00 am UMM—Fellowship Hall
- 8:45 am Sunday School for All Ages
- 10:00 am **Worship**
- 11:15 am Evangelism/Discipleship—Adult Lounge
- 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—Adult Lounge
- 6:00 pm UMYF—Youth Center

Monday, January 9

- 7:00 pm Trustees—Mary's Kitchen
- 7:00 pm Worship Committee—Adult Lounge

Tuesday, January 10

- 10:00 am Bible Study—Mary's Kitchen
- 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—Conference Room
- 7:00 pm Allegro Ringers—Mary's Kitchen
- 7:00 pm SPRC—Conference Room
- 7:00 pm Faith & Fellowship—Adult Lounge

Wednesday, January 11

- 9:30 am UMW Executive Committee—Mary's Kitchen

Thursday, January 12

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast—Mary's Kitchen
- 7:00 pm Aldersgate Choir—MR

Sunday, January 15

- 8:45 am Sunday School for All Ages
- 10:00 am **Worship**
- 11:15 am Church & Society/Missions—Adult Lounge
- 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—Adult Lounge
- 6:00 pm UMYF—Youth Center

Monday, January 16 is Martin Luther King Holiday.
The church office will be closed.