

**In your prayers this week please remember:**

- Eileen Fuller and Pat Sommer who are homebound or in care centers
- Pastor Isabelle Davis and Lay Leader Betty Wittrock of Camas Valley UMC
- David & Elizabeth McCormick, Chicouque Rural Hospital in Mozambique

**Please pray also for these members and friends of our congregation:**

Marybeth Lanier Nancy Laurence Betty Lawrence Charlotte & Chris Lee  
Arthur, Anna, Ian Lee & Elizabeth McQuitty Ron & Pamela Leonard Bob & Laurie Lewis



# First United Methodist Church of Corvallis

## December 2, 2018

### WELCOME TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!

**Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday; Closed: noon to 1 p.m.  
Closed on Fridays  
541.752.2491**

We are a **Reconciling Congregation** that welcomes everyone into full participation in the life of this church! Your age, sexual orientation, gender identity, racial or ethnic background, economic situation, marital status, and physical or mental condition will enrich the fabric of our community. We accept all people as children of God.

We are a congregation on a journey to Sustainability, recognizing that we are stewards of God's creation for all generations, and believing that all human needs must be met equitably. The **Natural Step Framework** is our guide to Sustainability.

#### MINISTRY LEADERSHIP:

Rev. Barbara Nixon Pastor~revbabs2000@gmail.com~208.991.8464

Rev. Rob Kirby Campus Minister

Craig Hanson Organist/Pianist

Dr. Sandra Babb Interim Choir Director

Sarah Strobel Asst. Children's Choir Director

Beverly Park Director of Congregational Life

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Karina Ponder Childcare Coordinator

Jan Walker Lay Leader~jkwalk@comcast.net

***OUR MISSION IS to bring people into a living relationship with God,  
through Jesus Christ, that we might love the world as God loves the world.***

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Christmas Presence: What's not under the tree

*\*indicates stand if you are able*

*UMH = United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS = The Faith We Sing (Small Black Book)*

**Prelude** "Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland" J.S. Bach  
*(Savior of the Nations, Come)*

#### \*Greeting One Another

Pastor: May the peace of Christ be with you...  
**... and also with you.**

**\*Opening Song** "Like a Child" **TFWS #2092**

**Welcome and Announcements**  
Faith in Action Moment

**Lighting the First Advent Candle – HOPE** Helen Boortz  
MacKenzie Tollstrup

**\*Hymn from our Tradition**

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

UMH #196

**Now Testament**

**Prelude to Prayer**

*Please have your prayer cards ready to pass quickly to the ushers during this musical interlude.*

**Prayers of the People**

Pastor: God of love...

**We thank you for your presence...**

Silent Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (sung)

**inside back cover of UMH**

Prayer Song “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” **TFWS #2193**

**Offering**

**Offertory**

“An Advent Alleluia”

Douglas E. Wagner

**Offering Prayer**

**God of love, During this season of waiting, we make this offering from our resources hoping we can make an offering as well with our lives. We long for both to bring more hope into your world. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

**\*Offering Song**

UMH #94

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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

**Song**

“Where Children Belong”

**TFWS #2233**

**This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.**

**Kids and Grown-Ups Together**

*All children are welcome to stay for worship with their families or childcare is available for preschool through kindergarten in room 118. Special worship bags for children are outside the sanctuary entrance.*

**Scripture and Reflection**

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**Holy Communion**

*Everyone is welcome to receive Communion! All the bread is gluten free and individual cups are available at the center front. After you are served you are welcome to pray at the rail. If you wish or need to be served in your pew, please notify an usher.*

**\*Closing Song**

“Let Us Be Bread”

**TFWS #2260**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

“Riccercar on the VIIth & VIIIth Tones”

Giovanni Gabrieli

*You are invited to sit and listen to the postlude, but you are also welcome to leave now quietly.*

Liturgist: Maddie Fernandez

Acolytes: Henry Foltz and Andrew Fernandez