

Calendar - Week of December 28^h

Today: 9 Encounter | 10 Coffee | 10:30 Worship | 1-5 Open House at Mill | 5-9 fh private use

Tuesday: 12-4 Bridge fh | 10³⁰ Freedge Ministry | 11-2 Music Dir hrs | 5:45-8:30 Watts/OPC

Wednesday: no prayer

Thursday, New Year's Day: Office closed | TOPS ? 8:30

Friday: Office closed | **9 Undecorate church (all invited)** | 11-3 Bridge fh

Sunday, January 04, 2026, Epiphany Sunday

9 Encounter | 10 Coffee | 10³⁰ Worship (Lay Leadership Recognition) | 2 pm Concert

Leaders	Today	Next Week, Jan 4
Booth	Sam Henshaw	Sam Henshaw
Scripture	Cathy Lichvar	Brian Henshaw
Greeters		Your name here sign up in narthex
Counters	Gary Lantz & Brian Henshaw	Roger Hill & Karen Wells

Pew Prayers: Grey Baker; Charlie Donohoe; Connie Parson; Sandy Keiter; Carolyn Barr; Kim Cooper; Mary Grace Hester; Gary (*Barbara McG.'s brother*); Alicia Bauer; Lucy Greenstein & family; safe travels; Brenda Newcome; Joyce Cline; Williams family; Daleigh Carper; Barbara Cooper; Laura (Dan) Folger Christie (Ruth F.'s neighbor); Krista Wilson; Daniel Langager (*Betty Lou's son*); Gaynor Vann; Wes; Jane Funkhouser; Alexis & family; the Seabrights; Jessica Hunter; Joe Shanholtz; Pat & Walt Radner; Carolyn Grove (*Doris M.'s sister*); Chrissy Rust; Tina; Virginia Johnson; Michael Cheladyn; Virginia Stanley; Maggie Corbin; all people; Russ Conklin; Kelly Babyok; Amy & Caitlin; Doug; Athena M.; Maureen; Meg; Janet; Dusti; June & Nate W.; my FL family; our country; MMIW & children; Danna D.'s brother; Mark Wells; Deanna Wells; Justin, Grant & Zoe Skeens; Sandy Dunkle; Epstein family; Jeter family; Annie; Will; Logan family; Quinn family; Uttman family; Jim Barker; Sharon Gale; Tim Gale; Ellen Neff; Moyers; Bollingers; Natalie Palmer; Arnold & Glenda Gale; Sage; Stori; Sarah; Amanda; Kathy; Deb A; Richard Sanchez; our president; victims & families of Bondi Beach & Brown Univ.; thanks for God showing up in unexpected places; praise our music; world peace; Darlene Shull; Lois Smith; Denny & Bonnie Lee; Alida & Kelly O'Neal; Leroy LaMarr; travelers; Judy Hansen & family; Bruce & Hilda; Hadleigh Thornley & family; LSCS Tiffany McMahon; Sherry & Daniel Whitacre; Mary Kathryn Clark; Shirley Dick; Marilyn Stelzl; McKenna Newcome & family; Jane Thomas; Rev. Clay & Lisa Knick; Pastor Aaron; Helen & Russ Fitch; Nelda & Charles Harless; Bob, Lorraine & Norma Wilson; Dawna Wilson; Sandy Wilson; Nellie Snoots; Ed Marshall; JoAnne Carper; Tina and Shane Weagley; Mary Haines; Amy, Frank Haines, & boys; Sharon & George Teets; our world; the hungry, homeless, lonely, and grieving; Mason Look; Barbara Bledsoe; Carole Ay; Spurrs; Kay-Beth Ambrose; Aimee Lorusso; Don Adams; Jason & Lillian Ritchie (*Tammy Corey's brother & mother*); thankful for God's blessing this year

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December 28th, 2025

1st Sunday After Christmas

***Stand as able; bold print-all respond**

Prelude

(Prepare your hearts for worship)

David Landrum

Ring of the Bell

Greeting

Lay Leader, Ric Dunkle | Rev. Dr. Gómez

***Call to Worship**

Beloved, we have waited, watched, and witnessed the coming of the Christ child.

As we gather today on the other side of Christmas, we might be tempted to ask, "What now?"

We continue to wait and watch for the day that all the earth awaits.

In this season of Christmas, we remember that though Christ has come among us, the Good News of freedom for captives, flourishing for the poor, and power returned to the disempowered does not reign in so many places.

We continue to wait and watch for the day that all the earth awaits.

With Mary and Joseph, we listen for God to show us how to protect and advocate for the vulnerable among us.

We continue to wait and watch for the day that all the earth awaits.

As we gather to worship today, may God bind us together in love, empowering us to live as followers of the Christ child who declare Good News wherever we go.

We gather today as people who wait, watch, and work for the day that all the earth awaits. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, June 2025.

***Hymn 250 (UMH)**

Once in Royal David's City

***Lighting of the Altar Candles**

***Affirmation of Faith 881 (UMH) Apostles' Creed**

Time with the Younger Congregation *(Children invited forward for a short message, then dismissed to children's church.)*

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and Your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.

Sermon *The Twelve Days of Christmas*
(See insert for song lyrics)

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine; let it shine; let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine; let it shine; let it shine.

CCLI # 11408803 | UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red)

Who's Who in The Pew - Member Attendance, Prayer Requests & Visitor Info - Please fill out the card located in the pews and place it in the basket during the offering. Include your name and any prayer requests or concerns for our church leaders. If you are a visitor, Welcome, feel free to include your contact info and any requests.

2026 Leaders - Next Sunday our Lay Leadership will be recognized

*Rev 12/15/25, Karen Wells to
Church Council as Membership Secy



Please know that ALL children are ALWAYS welcome to attend our entire church service in the sanctuary. We offer an optional short Children's Church program during Sunday worship as well as a ***Time with the Younger Congregation*** in the sanctuary with the pastor.