



Guest Information: We are glad that you are here today in worship with us. We have information cards located at the check-in station in the church entry. Please take a moment and fill out as much information as you feel comfortable. We will take this information and add it to our database. If you would like to receive our weekly newsletter please check the box and we will add you to our distribution list.

Our Young Disciples Zone, at the back of the sanctuary, is open for families with young children and children's bulletins are available on the bookshelf. A nursery is available for children 0-5 years old. It is located down the main hallway and the second hallway to the right in the Bear classroom.

Bathrooms are located at the back of the sanctuary through the double doors. Family restrooms with changing tables are available in the main hallway.

Hearing Aid Loop: Our sanctuary has a Hearing Loop System which allows anyone with a T setting or T-coil to "tune in" to the frequency for a better-quality audio experience. There are also other sets available for those who do not have hearing aids that adapt.

Calendar this Week

- Jan. 21:** 9 a.m. Bible History Class Hybrid on Zoom/In-person in Friendship Center
10 a.m. Traditional Worship
11:30 a.m. Inquirer's Class Hybrid on Zoom/In-person in Friendship Center
2 p.m. Little Class on Zoom
4 p.m. Program Night
5:30 p.m. Dinner in Fellowship Hall
6 p.m. Youth Group
- Jan. 22:** 1:30 p.m. Clubhouse Knitters, Ridge Park Clubhouse, 505 Oppenheimer Dr.
- Jan. 23:** 7:45 Martha Circle goes to Legislative Luncheon in Santa Fe
6 p.m. One Board in Friendship Center
- Jan. 24:** 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir rehearsal in Sanctuary
7 p.m. STAR NA support group in Library
7 p.m. Troop 2 in Fellowship Hall
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal in Sanctuary
- Jan. 25:** 6 p.m. First Light rehearsal in Sanctuary
7 p.m. Troop 122 in Fellowship Hall
- Jan. 28:** 9 a.m. Bible History Class Hybrid on Zoom/In-person in Friendship Center
10 a.m. Traditional Worship
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January 21, 2024
Third Sunday after Epiphany
10 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

WE PREPARE

*Please stand as you are comfortable.

Gathering Music

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord!

People: We will break forth into song.

Leader: Let the seas roar in praise.

People: May the hills sing in joy.

Leader: The Lord's love is steadfast.

People: His faithfulness is never ending.

***Opening Prayer**

Leader: Together let us pray:

All: O God, you are love,

and it is in your love

that we live and move and have our being.

Help us to abide in your love,

just as your love abides in us,

so that we might indeed love all people

not just in thoughts and words but in our every action.

May we learn to live in relationship with each other,

just as you are in relationship

as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**We ask this through Jesus' name, and in the truth of the Spirit.
Amen.**

***Opening Hymn:** UMH #98 *To God Be the Glory*

WE HEAR

Prayer for Illumination

**God of eternal wisdom,
open our hearts, minds and souls
to hear you word and to discern
its application for our lives. Amen.**



Epistle Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel Reading: John 15:9-17

Hymn of Preparation: UMH #369 *Blessed Assurance*

Message: "Lego Connection"

WE RESPOND

***Hymn of Response:** UMH #557 *Blessed Be the Tie That Binds*

Work of the Church

Prayer

Leader: May we be Christ's body,

People: the fullness of him who fills all in all.

***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
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.**



Offering

Special Music: *We Will Understand It Better*

***Doxology:** UMH#95 *Praise God, from Where All Blessings Flow*

***Disciples Hymn:** UMH #555 *Forward Through The Ages*

***Blessing Sending Forth**

Postlude



Faith Development Opportunities

Bible History: Sundays at 9 a.m. Hybrid (In-person in the Friendship Center and on Zoom). Our current study is *The Life of Jesus* by Matt Williams. This study explores the main events in Jesus' life to understand what made him extraordinary and to learn how to draw on his transforming power. Study books are available. Email Lynn Kluegel, lynnkluegel@hotmail.com for a Zoom invitation.

Inquirer's Class: Sundays at 11:30 a.m. Hybrid (In-person in the Friendship Center and on Zoom) This class is fragrance free. We are resuming our study of Matthew.

The Little's Class: Sundays at 2 p.m. on Zoom. Our class studies the Bible and discusses the truths it finds in God's word. Email Jim Little, mlittlelegal@aol.com for a Zoom invitation.

Program Night: Programing will resume on Sunday, January 21st, from 4-6 p.m. One of our goals is to equip and grow the faith of all people, not just our children and leaders but, parents and adults too. We invite you to join us for an evening of worship and learning in small groups then we will come together for a potluck dinner.

Youth Group: If you have a teenager from grades 7th-12th grade, they are welcome to join us. Our Mid-High Study (5th – 8th) meets at 4 p.m. during our Programming Night, then after dinner at 5:30, the mid-high and sr. high come together for Youth Group (7th – 12th) at 6:30 p.m. Our Sr. High Study (9th – 12th) meets on Wednesday afternoons from 3 – 4:30. For more information, please email Phillip Ortega at faith@lafumc.org



Today's full service may be watched on lafumc.churchcenter.com, our website and Facebook. Recordings of the full service and just the message are posted on our YouTube channel on Monday

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Call to Worship: Based upon Psalm 98

Opening Prayer: Rev. John W. Nash, based Acts 17:28; 1 John 4:16; John 15:9-17 and 1 John 5:6

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