



# The Quester



**Fairfield Grace United  
Methodist Church**

**Dec 2016/  
Jan 2017**

## A Message from Pastor Cho:

FGUMC sisters and brothers in Jesus Christ!

Hallelujah! I give my thanksgiving to the Lord and all of you for the fruitful conclusion of the 2016 New Consecration Sunday Campaign. A special thanksgiving goes to Pastor J for his empowering and inspiring and motivating message on Stewardship delivered on New Consecration Sunday. Pastor J and his wife, Fredene, who moved from Indiana and found us about 4 years ago, are a truly wonderful God-sent gift to FGUMC. Their presence and participation at FGUMC has been a great encouragement to me and all of us, for which I shout again,

“Hallelujah!” Our thanksgiving also goes to three of us who shared their personal journey at FGUMC: Indiana Whiteman, Wayne Brown and Katie White. Indiana is one of our proud young adults who has been actively participating in our youth ministry. Wayne is one of our Wesley Men’s Circle members who has been faithfully active in our church life and ministry. Katie is one of the newest members who has found FGUMC as their faith community. I strongly believe the Lord is the one who has sent them to FGUMC at the right time for the right reason. Therefore, out of joy, I shout, “Hallelujah!” once again, for the mysterious and marvelous way of the Lord, who has strengthened the ministry and mission of FGUMC.

Their testimonials were equally moving and encouraging. Below are what Indiana and Katie shared on Sunday, November 13, and Sunday, November 20, respectively. They kindly gave me permission to put them here. Thank YOU, Indiana and Katie!



### From Indiana:

**My name is Indiana; I have been a member of Fairfield Grace my entire life, almost 19 years. Although some of you may not know me, I can assure you that the youth of our congregation know me, the less fortunate in New York know me, the Rosedale community members in West Virginia know me. I have been able to meet these people and become part of their lives as they are mine.**

**I can often be found helping or attending youth group events, helping Emily in the nursery, participating in the Midnight Run: packing meals and serving soup to the homeless, and working on building and restoring homes in West Virginia. These events and our church have been a large part of my life for the past three years. So although you may not know me, know that I have allowed our church to be known. Through our church, I have been able to accomplish so many things and reach out to people that I wouldn't have been able to without Fairfield Grace. I have been blessed with opportunities through our church and community. I would like to see other youth in my position: exploring their faith and doing their best to help our**

community and other communities in need. I believe our church can help a lost teen find their voice. I believe our church can give someone faith. And I know our church can provide opportunities. I am extremely proud of the god that our church serves. I am extremely proud of the life I have led with the aid of our church.

Would you join me in this important ministry, helping others, and making a difference with all of God's gifts? Our God would be extremely joyous to see our church grow. Please pray with me that God continues to bless us.

**From Katie:**

Hi my name is Katie White. I have been attending Fairfield Grace since August of 2015. I was born and raised by a Christian family in Canada. Eric and I moved to Connecticut not knowing anyone but knowing that God would be with us on this big move. It was important to us to find a church that would push us spiritually, support outreach and opportunities to grow as a church community. On a 90-degree summer day, I found Charlie Morris outside working away at the church's garden. With sweat dripping down his face and with a big grin, Charlie welcomed me to the church and talked about the church's many wonderful opportunities and support from others to do God's work. Little did I know when Charlie greeted me that a month later, I would be organizing the church's Trunk or Treat, helping out with Sunday School, periodically hanging out with the youth group and baking desserts for Spaghetti Dinner. I am a working mom often exhausted by the end of the week, but God always provides me with a burst of enthusiasm to do his work within the church community; in particular, Trunk or Treat. Each year, God demonstrated his presents over the entire event; meeting people within the church I hadn't individually met before and meeting people beyond the church community. Lastly, the event provides an opportunity for children to bring home Christian themed tokens. Who knows what seeds have been planted or conversations have been made because of those small tokens. When I go to bed the night of Trunk or Treat, I whisper to God a prayer of thanks; providing me with energy, the tremendous support from the church to make the event run smoothly, an opportunity to reach out to those who are lost and for my family to hold a yearly budget for this event. Trunk or Treat is one example of how our financial contributions each Sunday can impact the opportunities we provide for those in the greater community. Fairfield Grace provides me opportunities to do what God has called me to do. It all began with a conversation with my brother in Christ, Charlie. Please join me in reflecting on how to spiritually, physically and financially continue to strive for what God wants us to do next.

Can you see what the Lord has done through Indiana? Can you see how Charlie and Katie met last summer? Can you see how the Lord works in our midst? Immanuel, God with us, continues to work here at Fairfield Grace by calling, connecting, nudging and challenging us. Would you join me in taking a bold step to welcome the work of the living God and be part of it with joy?

Blessings,

Kun Sam, your Ministry & Mission (aka M&M) partner



**Ushers**

**December: Team #2**

*Charlene Brauns-Schindler*  
*Ed Schindler*  
*Charlie Morris*  
*Art Thomas*

**January: Team #3**

*Craig Michelson*  
*Karen Benson*  
*Lee Del Vecchio*  
*Beverly Wenz*



**Fellowship Hour**

Dec 4: *Faith Circle*  
 Dec 11: *Leah Larsen/Martha Wood*  
 Dec 18: *Georgina Holdsworth*  
 Jan 1: *Faith Circle*  
 Jan 8: *UMW/Susanna's Circle*  
 Jan 15: *UMW/Susanna's Circle*  
 Jan 22: *UMW/Susanna's Circle*  
 Jan 29: *UMW/Susanna's Circle*

**Communion Steward**

*December 4: Deanna Denuette*  
*December 24: Karen Benson*

**Worship Leaders**

Dec 4:	<i>Franklyn McLean</i>	Jan 1:	<i>Jeff Tang</i>
Dec 11:	<i>Christmas Cantata</i>	Jan 8:	<i>Youth</i>
Dec 18:	<i>Christmas Pageant</i>	Jan 15:	<i>Dennis Robb</i>
Dec 24 (5:00 pm):	<i>Youth</i>	Jan 22:	<i>Judy Meyer</i>
Dec 24 (10:00 pm):	<i>Dot Daruka</i>	Jan 29:	<i>Craig Michelson</i>
Dec 25:	<i>Carols and Lessons</i>		

**Pray for Fairfield Grace Families**

*Week of:*

Dec 4: Bermudez family, Bissell family and Blackburn family  
 Dec 11: Block family, Bowcock family and Betty Brandt  
 Dec 18: Sandra Brown, Wayne Brown and Bob Butler  
 Dec 25: Marge Campbell, Capalbo family and Mary Carreau  
 Jan 1: Florence Catone, Cho family and Chun family  
 Jan 8: Ruth Citarella, Dottie Connelly and Conroy family  
 Jan 15: Daeschner family, Daigle family and Darken family  
 Jan 22: Dot Daruka, Lee Del Vecchio and Denuette family  
 Jan 29: Dowgiallo family, Duguid family and Nancy Fray



## **Pastor's Report to the Church Council**

### **Keep Running Faithfully**

On the Thanksgiving Day, I joined 3,882 runners at Fairfield Pequot Runner's 5 mile Turkey Trot in Southport. The record shows that I was the 2,037<sup>th</sup> one who finished after running for 47:42 at 9:33 min/mile. Actually I did not care how fast I finished. What mattered to me was that I did finish the race all the way. To be frank, it was a challenging race, for I was not well-prepared for it. When I passed the finish line, therefore, I raised two hands wide open with joy over the proud achievement. Hallelujah! Thank You, Jesus!

Doing the ministry and mission of the church is like running the long distance race, I sense. Fairfield Grace has been running faithfully the last 60 years and keeps running. I am thankful and blessed to have been a part of the FGUMC running team since July, 2008 and look forward to keep running with you for another year. Eventually, I hope we all can join Paul who said, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." (2 Timothy 4:7)

### **Something New 1**

Bishop Thomas J. Bickerton came to New York Annual Conference in September and started his episcopal ministry as our new bishop. He has been meeting people, lay and clergy, and challenging them to keep faith and keep running for and with Jesus. In September, the Bishop talked about the effective leadership at the tri-district retreat at Stony Point Retreat Center. During his presentation, he asked, "How much time are you spending in places you normally do not go?" This question came to me as an epiphany. Where are places I normally go? Church, home, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, homes of church members. Yes, beautiful golf courses are other places where I go and so is LA Fitness Center in Trumbull and Norwalk. "Where are places I normally do not go?" I asked myself this question and decided to find a place I normally do not go and spend time. As announced in October, Panera has been the choice. Since October, I have been spend 2 hours every Tuesday from 10 am to noon at Panera on Black Rock Turnpike, sitting at a table with a sign that reads, "Talk to Me! Pastor Dayfly!" To be frank, I was trembling and scared on the first several Tuesdays, wondering how I will be viewed by others and asking myself, "Is it something I really want to do?" Guess what? I gradually relaxed and feel good that I have found another place to spend time on a weekly basis. Panera is my other office now. Come and find me there. Tell your FRAN (Friends, Relatives, Associates and Neighbors) that Pastor Dayfly is there on Tuesday morning to meet with them. Be reminded that Jesus calls us to shine as the light of the world.

### **Something New 2**

As we welcome the New Year, 2017, I envision something new to bring vitality and growth at FGUMC because we want to keep shining faithfully as the light of the world. I would like to invite Rev. David A. Gilmore, Director of Congregational Development and Revitalization in New York Annual Conference and his staff, to assist us to take a bold step for the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ. They will meet with us and learn about us and eventually journey with us to keep loving God and our neighbors in an exciting and fresh way. Keep this timely project in your prayers and join me to ask the Lord for His empowering guidance.

### **Thanks Always**

I want to express special thanks to all of you for your partnership in ministry and caring support and love. Kyong Hee and I are truly blessed. Special thanks go to all the staff, church and MNS. Anne Regan, Administrative Assistant, keeps us going strong with her faithful and diligent and creative ministry. She is one of a kind. Jeanne Millett, our Music Director, is a super-servant of the Lord. Isn't she? Her energetic ministry reaches and touches every corner of our congregational life. We welcome Anna Schindler, our new Youth Director. She has full of exciting and wonderful ideas to reach out and help our youth grow in faith. Our Methodist Nursery School keeps going well under the attentive and cooperative leadership of Kathy Gilbert, MNS director and her assistant, Maire and teaching staff, to whom we owe many thanks.

May God bless us and strengthen us, so that we may continue to fulfill God's purpose on us and glorify God with all we do in the name of Jesus Christ, who died on the cross and risen again.

Kun Sam, your M&M partner

# Blue Taizé

## Wednesday, December 21



The last Taizé Service for 2016 will be on Wed, Dec 21 at 9:30 am and 7:00 pm. The focus will be to comfort those who have suffered loss during the year and are grieving while others around them are joyous this Christmas.

There will not be any Taizé Services during the winter months.  
They will resume on Ash Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

Taizé could be called a “Sabbath Moment”; time we purposefully take to pause and find sanctuary, hope, healing and peace through song silence and scripture.



# BELIEVE

LIVING THE STORY OF THE BIBLE  
TO BECOME LIKE JESUS



### BELIEVE Readings

Date	Topic	Memory Verse	Reading
12/4	Worship	Psalm 95:1-2	Matthew 23:1-28
<b>12/11</b>	.....	<b>Christmas Cantata</b> .....	.....
<b>12/18</b>	.....	<b>Christmas Pageant</b> .....	.....
<b>12 /25</b>	.....	<b>Christmas Sunday</b> .....	.....
1/1	Prayer	Psalm 66:18-20	Mark 1:32-35, Luke 6:12-16
1/8	Bible Study	Hebrews 4:12	Psalm 119:9-24
1/15	Single-Mindedness	Matthew 6:33	Matthew 6:19-24
1/22	Total Surrender	Romans 12:1	Daniel 3:1-28
1/29	Biblical Community	Acts 2:44-46	Acts 2:42-47

Please note that there will be NO discussion sessions on  
Wednesday, December 21, Thursday, December 22 and Sunday, December 25.

All other sessions will be held as usual.



Fairfield Grace's  
Christmas Cantata

# Jesus! The Advent of the Messiah

w/choir & orchestra

Sunday, Dec 11

10:00am

## POINSETTIAS

It's time to order Poinsettias that will adorn our Christmas Eve Altar. Prices remain the same this year, \$9.50 for either red or white. Order envelopes are available on the table in the back of the Sanctuary or at the church office.

**Order deadline is December 17<sup>th</sup>**. Your poinsettia(s) may be taken home after the Christmas Eve services on December 24.



## Church Conference Wednesday, December 7 at 7:30 pm

All members are encouraged to attend Church Conference on December 7 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary. There will be a Trustees Election. We hope to see you at this important annual gathering for our church.

## Susanna's and Wesley's Circles Luncheon Wed., Dec 14 at Noon

The Susannas and Wesley Circles, which are open to all the congregation, will join together on Wednesday, December 14, at noon for a Christmas lunch. Marge Hood will be doing her delicious soup, and desserts and drinks will be provided; but if you wish to bring a sandwich for your own lunch, please feel free to do so. Please contact Marge or Georgina in Church if you plan on attending so we have an idea of how many to cater for. We look forward to having a "full house".



### Serena's Circle Book Discussion: Mon., Dec 5 at 6:30 pm

Serena's Circle will be having a potluck dinner in Fellowship Hall on Mon., Dec 5 at 6:30 pm. The discussion will be on Mother Teresa, the last chapter discussion for our current book. We will resume meetings in March, 2017. Please contact Karen Price at [karen1147@aol.com](mailto:karen1147@aol.com) or at 203-333-1272 with any questions.

#### Save the Dates

#### Connecticut District Resource Days

*Sunday, January 29, 2017 from 2:00 – 4:45 p.m.*

*at Prospect United Methodist Church  
99 Summer Street, Bristol, CT  
and*

*Saturday, February 4, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.*

*at Golden Hill United Methodist Church  
210 Elm Street, Bridgeport, CT*

*Our District Resource Days will feature a wide selection of workshops with a sampling of topics including church finance, prayer, small group leadership, conversations with our Muslim neighbors, SPR 101, mass incarceration, and much more. Watch for a full list of workshop topics and descriptions, along with information on how to pre-register. We will offer information, inspiration, and opportunities to interact with United Methodists from around our District. Please plan to attend.*

**Questions? Contact Maggie Carr, Chair, District Council on Ministries at [jcarr01@snet.net](mailto:jcarr01@snet.net); phone: 203-284-8278**

Send updates, news and photos to  
[fairfieldgrace@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fairfieldgrace@sbcglobal.net)

**Deadline for the  
February  
Issue of the Quester is  
Friday, January 20.**

**Deadline for weekly e-News is  
Wednesdays at 12:00**

## December Birthdays

02 Beverly Wenz  
05 Dottie Connelly  
05 Cassie Llewellyn  
06 Michael McGrath  
07 Myra Lubeck  
08 Craig Leppla  
10 Shelley Llewellyn  
12 Helen French  
17 Warren Rozelle  
21 Denise Tanno  
24 Kathy Lopes  
26 Fredene Daeschner  
26 Matias Pennell  
26 Henry Bissell  
26 Mary Michelson  
27 Joe Sugrue  
27 Pat Vosburgh  
29 Cathy Anderson  
29 Seth Blumenstock  
29 Brenna Conroy  
29 Jim Lubeck  
29 Dennis Robb  
30 Emma Gilbert

## January Birthdays

05 Mary Bedson  
08 Jeff Yi  
09 Sung Keun Chun  
09 Zachary Nagy  
11 Jean Stevens  
12 Franklyn MacLean  
14 Carson Rush  
18 Beverly Plucker  
16 Frank Targowski  
21 Callie Conroy  
22 Leah Larsen  
24 Jim Blackburn  
25 Eunsik Park  
26 Edward Stock  
26 Lindsay Wood  
27 Corey Anderson  
28 Dan Aldrich

## January Anniversaries

Jan 4 Alexandra & Felix Beriguete 19 yrs

## December Anniversaries

Dec 21 Diana & Phil Stein 59 yrs  
Dec 26 Aldora & Frank Targowski 53 yrs  
Dec 27 Denise & Greg Tanno 29 yrs

# Christmas Pageant

## “The First Christmas”

**December 18**

We will be performing our annual Christmas Pageant on Sunday, December 18 at the 10am worship service. This is a great way for all of our kids to participate in a wonderful Fairfield Grace tradition. We will be practicing each Sunday until pageant day so please try to come to church each week.

### The Schedule is as follows:

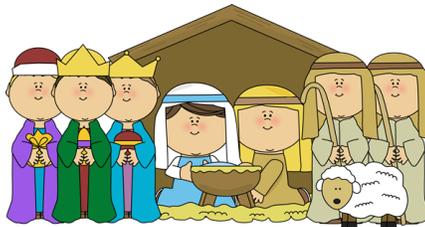
**December 4** - Hand out Costumes and Rehearsal (During Sunday School)

**December 11** - Dress Rehearsal (After church 11am-12pm)

**December 18** – Pageant Day (Arrive at 9:15am dressed and ready to go)

We are looking forward to sharing the story of “The First Christmas” with our Congregation. Many thanks for your participation,

Sue Rush  
Christmas Pageant Director



**New This Year:**

We will be having a **DRAWING CONTEST** for the Pageant Program Cover Artwork!

- ◇ The drawing must be in keeping with the theme: “The First Christmas”.
- ◇ All children participants are eligible to take part in the contest.
  - ◇ Winner must attend rehearsals regularly.

**Deadline is December 11**

The winning drawing will be chosen on this date.





Ho! Ho! Ho!

### **Santa is coming to Fairfield-Grace on December 3!**

It's that time again; time to start "Making a list, and checking it twice!" Santa will be coming to Fairfield-Grace on **December 3 for our Annual Breakfast with Santa from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.** The morning will feature our usual hearty breakfast including pancakes, eggs and sausage, craft activities and plenty of fellowship.

Eating Breakfast with Santa is a great way for the whole family to get in the Christmas spirit and enjoy this magical time! Throughout the morning, Santa will be sitting in his usual rocking chair ready to visit with the children and hear their special requests. Bring your cameras along to capture these memorable moments!

Admission is free! Fairfield-Grace will be collecting donations of new, unwrapped toys to brighten the holiday for needy children and monetary donations to help with the church's outreach programs.

We need your help to make Breakfast with Santa a success! We are seeking volunteers to assist with cooking and serving breakfast, facilitating craft activities, welcoming families, and clean up. Please contact Laura Sherwood to volunteer (203-292-7241, [lirauscher@yahoo.com](mailto:lirauscher@yahoo.com)).

We hope you can join us on December 3!

# December Events at Fairfield Grace



**Thursday, December 1:** Wesley's Circle Meeting 10:00 am

**Saturday, December 3:** Breakfast with Santa 8:30—10:30 am

**Sunday, December 4:** Caroling Sunday at 10:00 am Worship Service

**Saturday, December 10:** Spaghetti Dinner 4:45—6:45 pm

**Sunday December 11:** Cantata Sunday at 10:00 Worship Service

*Pageant Program Cover Drawing Contest Deadline*

**Wednesday, December 14:** Susanna's and Wesley's Circle Luncheon 12:00

**Thursday, December 15:** Red Cross Blood Drive, 1:00—6:45 pm

**Sunday, December 18:** Christmas Pageant at 10:00 Worship Service

**Wednesday, December 21:** Blue Taizé Service at 9:30 am and 7:00 pm

**Saturday, December 24: Christmas Eve**

5:00 pm: Family Service

10:00 pm: Candlelight Service

**Sunday December 25:** Carols and Lessons at 10:00 Worship Service

**Wednesday, December 28:** Serve Dinner at Golden Hill UMC at 4:45 pm,

## A Gift for You

There are Advent Devotional Booklets for all church members available in the Sanctuary. They are titled "The Cradle, Cross and Crown" by Billy Graham and remind us of the Christmas message.

## New Consecration Sunday Campaign

I was pleased this year to Chair the 2016 New Consecration Sunday Campaign. The Campaign kicked off with a team meeting on October 13. The team included myself, Pastor Cho, Pastor J, Al Oneto, Bob Price, Jeff Yi, Wayne Brown, Indiana Whiteman, and Katie White.

We followed the normal process, beginning with my introduction of the Campaign, including invitations to the November 20 service and celebration luncheon, during the service on October 30. Wayne Brown followed my introduction with a testimonial that day, and during the services the following two weeks additional testimonials were provided by Indiana Whiteman and Katie White, respectively. For the weeks leading to Consecration Sunday, we also followed the normal timeline of periodic written reminders and gentle encouragement.

On November 13, a dinner was held at Cinzano's restaurant with lay leaders and staff. It was an enjoyable evening, capped off with a short talk by Pastor J about stewardship.

Consecration Sunday was a successful day. We had a strong turnout for the service, during which Pastor J spoke to the Congregation on the stewardship and the meaning of Consecration Sunday. About 65 people attended the celebration luncheon after the service, which was hosted by Todd Daigle. The meal and fellowship were excellent.

The results of the Campaign are as follows:

- We received 44 pledges this year, compared to 38 last year;
- 2 increased beyond tithing;
- 4 increased to tithing; and
- 22 increased toward tithing.

We expect more pledge cards coming from those who were not able to attend the Consecration Sunday.

Many thanks to those so instrumental in this process.

Scott Stimpson  
2016 Campaign Chair





## Still Have Holiday Shopping Left?



Christmas gifts are a great opportunity to help Fairfield Grace at  
**NO EXTRA COST TO YOU!**

- ◇ Still don't know what to get for your niece or nephew? How about a gift card to the **GAP**? You can buy a \$25 gift card to the GAP—you do not pay anything extra—and Fairfield Grace will receive 14% (\$3.50). It is that easy.
- ◇ How about something for your friend who loves to read? You can buy a gift card to **Barnes and Noble** for \$10—you do not pay anything extra—and Fairfield Grace will receive 8% .
- ◇ Do you need a new outfit to wear to a Holiday event? Buy a gift card to **Macy's** instead of paying with your credit card at the store and Fairfield Grace will receive 10%.
- ◇ Planning a big family meal for a gathering over Christmas and New Year's? You can buy gift cards to **Stop and Shop , Shop Rite—even Target**—and use them when you are shopping for Holiday dinners or decorations. Fairfield Grace will receive a percentage of the gift cards that you purchase.



Maybe you have heard about this program called SCRIPPS that Martha Wood has been promoting - but aren't sure how you can participate?

**Martha Wood is at church after the Services to explain the program, how easy it is, answer any questions you may have and get you started!**

### Here is how it works:

You fill out a form to request gift card(s), Martha will have these forms available for you after the Service on Sunday. You choose the retailer and the amount of the gift card. You give Martha a check with the form for the exact amount of gift cards you are buying, nothing extra. If you fill it out Sunday, you will have the gift cards in your hand by the next Sunday. That is all you need to do.

This list of retailers from which you can choose is 3 pages long! Martha will have copies of the list....there is a list on the hallway bulletin board....stop by the office and pick up a list, as well.

We are hoping that church members will use this opportunity to make their gifts really count this season. You can support your church financially and not have to spend anything extra. Please, give it a try!





## Red Cross Blood Drive

Fairfield Grace Church

Thursday, December 15: 1:00—6:45

Please consider donating!

## Spaghetti Dinner ~ Sat, Dec 10



Saturday from 4:45 PM—6:45 PM

Please contact Todd Daigle at 203-767-0593 or at daigletodd89@yahoo.com if you can help set up, prepare food, serve, clean up. Volunteers Needed.

Generations Brass will be performing a variety of Christmas music for diners!

### MISSION/OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

#### OPERATION HOPE

Stocking the Pantry at Operation Hope. Please remember to help fill the Operation Hope Box at the rear of the sanctuary with non-perishable items. They are very appreciative of your donations which help stretch the budgets of needy Fairfield residents.

Monthly Dinners Please consider being part of a team that will provide one of the meals Fairfield Grace is committed to during 2017 beginning in January and continuing every other month through the year. All groups, committees, friends and families are asked to be part of our commitment to help in this area. Thank you in advance for considering this opportunity.

#### CHRISTMAS GIFT BASKETS

Golden Hill Methodist Church has again asked us to participate in their annual Christmas Gift Basket Program. Food and gifts for the children will be gathered and delivered to selected needy families in the Bridgeport area. Please bring your non-perishable items to church on December 4!

#### PANERA BREAD DONATION

Volunteers from Fairfield Grace pick-up and deliver Panera Bread to the Operation Hope Pantry every Monday morning. Beginning in January 2017 we will need a third volunteer to provide this service as a one-month commitment four times during the year. If you can be of help please contact Dot Daruka at 203-366-1509.

# BELIEVE

	DATE	CHAPTER	TOPIC	
<b>What Do I Believe?</b>	9/25/16	1	God	Mission Sunday
	10/2/15	2	Personal God	World Communion Sunday
	10/9/16	3	Salvation	Children's Sabbath
	10/16/16	4	The Bible	Laity Sunday
	10/23/16	5	Identity in Christ	
	10/30/16	6	Church	Reformation Sunday
	11/6/16	7	Humanity	All Saints Day
	11/13/16	8	Compassion	Veteran's Day/Organ Donation
	11/20/16	9	Stewardship	Consecration Sunday
	11/27/16	10	Eternity	Advent begins
<b>What Should I Do?</b>	12/4/16	11	Worship	Caroling Sunday
	12/11/16		Advent Study 1	Cantata
	12/18/16		Advent Study 2	Sunday School Pageant
	12/25/16		Advent Study 3	Christmas
	1/1/17	12	Prayer	New Year's Day
	1/8/17	13	Bible Study	Baptism of the Lord
	1/15/17	14	Single-Mindedness	
	1/22/17	15	Total Surrender	
	1/29/17	16	Biblical Community	
	2/5/17	17	Spiritual Gifts	Scouting/Souper Bowl Sunday
	2/12/17	18	Offering My Time	
	2/19/17	19	Giving My Resources	
2/26/17	20	Sharing My Faith	Transfiguration Sunday	
<b>What Am I Becoming?</b>	3/5/17	21	Love	First Sunday in Lent
	3/12/17	22	Joy	
	3/19/17	23	Peace	
	3/26/17	24	Self-Control	
	4/2/17	25	Hope	
	4/9/17		Easter Study 1	Palm Sunday
	4/16/17		Easter Study 2	Easter Sunday
	4/23/17	26	Patience	
	4/30/17	27	Kindness/Goodness	
	5/7/17	28	Faithfulness	
	5/14/17	29	Gentleness	Mother's Day
	5/21/17	30	Humility	
	5/29/17		Pentecost Study 1	Memorial Day Sunday
	6/4/17		Pentecost Study 2	Pentecost
	6/11/17		Celebration of the "Believe" Journey	

## Weekly Discussion Groups ~ Meet in Hood Parlor

Wednesday at 10:10 am, Thursday at 6:45 pm, and Sunday at 9:00 am

Young Adults are encouraged to attend the Thursday session at 6:45 pm



# December 2016



monkeys in winter dunes

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>27</p> <p>ADVENT BEGINS</p> <p>HEALING TIME @ Sanctuary</p> <p>Matias P Baptism</p> <p>9am - Believe Discussion</p> <p>9:15am - Choir Review</p> <p>10am - Worship</p> <p>1pm - Faith Circle</p> <p>3pm - Youth Group, Op Hope</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Operatics Hope dinner, youth</p> <p>7pm - Scout Leaders Mtg</p> <p>7:30pm - Alison, Yth Rm @</p>	<p>29</p> <p>7:30pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9:30am - Taize</p> <p>10:10am - Believe Discussion</p> <p>7pm - Boy Scouts, Fellowship</p> <p>7pm - Taize</p> <p>7:30pm - AA, Youth Room</p>	<p>1</p> <p>10am - Wesley's Circle, CR</p> <p>11:30am - Revitalization</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe, Young Adult</p> <p>7pm - FA, Youth Room</p> <p>7:30pm - Chancel</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Sat up, Santa's Breakfast</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Caroling</p> <p>8:30am - Santa's Breakfast</p> <p>9:30am - Brass Rehearsal, YR</p> <p>12pm - Tutor Rental, CR</p>
<p>4</p> <p>CAROLING SUNDAY</p> <p>COMMUNION SUNDAY</p> <p>9am - Believe Discussion</p> <p>9:15am - Choir Review</p> <p>10am - Worship</p> <p>1pm - Faith Circle</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6:30pm - Servas's MP/Tromayne</p> <p>7:30pm - Alison, Yth Rm @</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7pm - Refugee Ministry Meeting.</p> <p>7:30pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9am - Assual system repair,</p> <p>9:30am - Taize</p> <p>10:10am - Believe Discussion</p> <p>7pm - Boy Scouts, Fellowship</p> <p>7pm - Finance, Counseling Room @</p> <p>7pm - SPSC meeting, Hood</p> <p>7pm - Taize</p> <p>7pm - Trustees, Conference</p> <p>7:30pm - AA, Youth Room</p> <p>7:30pm - Church Conference,</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:30am - Staff Meeting</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe, Young Adult</p> <p>7pm - FA, Youth Room</p> <p>7:30pm - Chancel Choir</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Spaghetti Dinner Set up</p>	<p>10</p> <p>2pm - Tutor Rental, CR (make)</p> <p>4:45pm - Spaghetto! Dinner/Cen</p>
<p>11</p> <p>CANTATA SUNDAY</p> <p>CONNECTIONAL SUNDAY</p> <p>HYMN SING SUNDAY</p> <p>9am - Believe Discussion</p> <p>9:15am - Choir Review</p> <p>10am - Worship</p> <p>11am - Pageant Dress Rehearsal</p> <p>11:45am - Rabbi Korman visit</p> <p>1pm - Faith Circle</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7:30pm - Alison, Yth Rm @</p>	<p>13</p> <p>3:30pm - G5 Troop</p> <p>7:30pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:30am - Taize</p> <p>10am - Wesley's and Susanna's</p> <p>10:10am - Believe Discussion</p> <p>7pm - Boy Scouts, Fellowship</p> <p>7pm - Taize</p> <p>7:30pm - AA, Youth Room</p> <p>7:40pm - Ch Council-Hood @</p>	<p>15</p> <p>9:30am - MNS, FM, Music</p> <p>1pm - Red Cross Blood Drive</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe, Young Adult</p> <p>7pm - FA, Youth Room</p> <p>7:30pm - Chancel Choir</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9:30am - MNS, FM, Music</p>	<p>17</p> <p>2pm - Tutor Rental, CR (Make)</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Christmas Pageant</p> <p>9am - Believe Discussion</p> <p>9am - Bell Choir Review</p> <p>10am - Worship</p> <p>1pm - Faith Circle</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7:30pm - Alison, Yth Rm @</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:30pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:30am - Blue Taize</p> <p>10:10am - cancelled, Believe</p> <p>7pm - Blue Taize</p> <p>7pm - Boy Scouts, Fellowship</p> <p>7:30pm - AA, Youth Room</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8:45pm - cancelled, Believe</p> <p>8:45pm - cancelled, Believe,</p> <p>7pm - FA, Youth Room</p> <p>7:30pm - Chancel Choir</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Christmas Eve</p> <p>4pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>5pm - Christmas Eve Service</p> <p>10pm - Christmas Eve</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Christmas Day</p> <p>HEALING TIME @ Sanctuary</p> <p>9am - cancelled, Believe</p> <p>10am - Worship</p> <p>1pm - Faith Circle</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Christmas Day observed</p> <p>Office closed</p> <p>7pm - Scout Leaders Mtg</p> <p>7:30pm - Alison, Yth Rm @</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Serve at Golden Hill</p> <p>10:10am - Believe Discussion</p> <p>7pm - Boy Scouts, Fellowship</p> <p>7:30pm - AA, Youth Room</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe, Young Adult</p> <p>7pm - FA, Youth Room</p>	<p>29</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe</p> <p>8:45pm - Believe, Young Adult</p> <p>7pm - FA, Youth Room</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>New Year's Eve</p>



# January 2017



sanctuary in winter garden

Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	
1	<b>COMMUNION SUNDAY</b> New Year's Day 9am - Believe Discussion 9:15am - Choir Review 10am - Worship 1pm - Faith Circle	New Year's Day observed 7:30pm - Alison, Yth Rm @	7:30pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal	10:10am - Believe Discussion 7pm - Boy Scouts, Fellowship 7pm - Finance, Hood Parlor @ 7pm - Trustees, Conference 7:30pm - AA, Youth Room	10am - Wesley's Circle, 6:45pm - Believe 6:45pm - Believe, Young Adult 7pm - FA, Youth Room 7:30pm - Chancel Choir			7	
8	<b>CONNECTIONAL SUNDAY</b> <b>RYMN SING SUNDAY</b> 9am - Believe Discussion 9:15am - Choir Review 10am - Worship 1pm - Faith Circle	7:30pm - Alison, Yth Rm @	Pastor Cho at Bishop's Convocation 7:30pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal	10:10am - Believe Discussion 11:15am - MNS parent meeting, 7pm - Boy Scouts, Fellowship 7:30pm - AA, Youth Room 7:40pm - Ch Council-head @	6:45pm - Believe 6:45pm - Believe, Young Adult 7pm - FA, Youth Room 7:30pm - Chancel Choir	Spaghetti Dinner Set up		4:45pm - Spaghetti Dinner	14
15	9am - Believe Discussion 9am - Bell Choir Review 9:30am - Chancel Choir Review 10am - Worship 1pm - Faith Circle	Martin Luther King Day 7:30pm - Alison, Yth Rm @	3:30pm - GS Troop 7:30pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal	10:10am - Believe Discussion 12:30pm - MNS Director's lunch, 7pm - Boy Scouts, Fellowship 7:30pm - AA, Youth Room	8:30am - MNS, FM, Music 6:45pm - Believe 6:45pm - Believe, Young Adult 7pm - FA, Youth Room 7:30pm - Chancel Choir	Red Cross Blood Drive 9:30am - MNS, FM, Music			21
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