

Sunday Morning Groups begin at 9:00 a.m.

Children and Youth

JAM — Jesus and Me (Nursery - 3rd grade) Second Floor of Education Wing

Tweens (Grade 4-6) Small Youth Room behind the Balcony

Youth (Grade 7-12) Large Youth Room behind the Balcony

K.I.D.S. - Kids In Divine Service (age 3 - 3rd grade) meets during morning worship service.

Adult Classes

Faith & Reason Class Meets in Fellowship Hall. The Class has a video study with Dr. Molly Worthen entitled The History of Christianity II: From the Reformation to the Modern Mega Church. Each Sunday we will learn about some of the major figures and events in Christianity around the world as the church has moved thru the past 500 years. We would love to have you join us! Jim Howell facilitates.

30 & 40+ Class Meets in Conference Room led by Dina Seffrin

Women's Book Study: Meets in Music Room on Second Floor of the Education Wing Book: Living Faith by Jimmy Carter. The story of how Carter's inherited faith has been transformed into a living faith. Come join us! Leader Jean Dille

Explorers Sunday Class meets in Choir Room. (Second Floor of the Education Wing) Class is reading the Bible starting with Genesis. Claudia Reberger leads this class.

Discussion Topic We discuss real life issues and barriers that inhibit us from being more like Christ.

Chris Lane facilitates the discussion. **Meets in Library**

Sunday Evening Groups

YOUTH (7th-12th) Bible Study and Activities that challenge youth to dig deeper into the issues of faith

TWEENS (4th-6th)

Midweek Groups Circles resume 2019

Morning Glories in May Reflections January 7 1:30 *O* of Friendship

Men's Group

Fraternity First Tuesday of the Month January 8 7:30 p.m.
@ Irongate, 35 W Main St.

Video from w.w.w.sermonspice.com
Today's Sermon can be found w.w.w.firsthagerstown.org
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GATHERING FOR GOD

*Stand as you are able

Third Sunday of Advent

Prelude *Advent Promise, Behold the King Comes!* Handbells

Sing We Now of Christmas

Announcements

Adam Duell

Welcome & Greeting

Pastor John

WORSHIP: OUR GIFT TO GOD

*Gathering Prayer

Pastor John

Advent Candle Lighting and Litany

Sarah Geise, Christy Geise & Tammy Geise

*Song for Gathering *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

Hymn 98

*Call to Worship

I Got Joy Like a Fountain

FWS 2145

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Handbells

*Song of Thanksgiving *Little Drummer Boy*

(Our Finest Gifts We Bring)

*Prayer of Dedication

Usher

K.I.D.S. Dismiss (Kids In Divine Service)

LISTENING FOR GOD

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymnal 895

Scripture

Philippians 4:4-7

Lorna Peelle

The Message

Pastor John

Christmas Is... Joy

COMMITTING TO GOD

*Song of Commitment *Joy to The World*

Hymn 246

Words of Dismissal

*Postlude

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Handbells

The altar flowers given by Nikki are in loving memory of her husband, Bob Foust, who suffered a stroke at Christmas four years ago. He passed away March 7, 2014.

Opportunities to Connect this Week

Welcome to Worship

Sunday, December 16

6:30 p.m. Tween's (4th-6th Grade)

Monday, December 17

10 a.m. Bible Study for both men and women

Monday Morning Minister Bible Study on the Book of Acts.

Conference Room

Wednesday, December 19

4 p.m. – 7 p.m. Pie Party Adoption Celebration

Given by Pastors John & Jen 2900 W Main Richmond

7 p.m. Praise Team

Thursday, December 20

Noon Usage DAR Luncheon

Fellowship Hall

5:00-7 p.m. Community Dinner

Doors open-5:30 Meal Served

Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Troop 3

Conference Room

Friday, December 21

6:30 p.m. The Longest Night

Service of Healing and Remembrance

Café

Worship Team Music Director Rick Peelle

Organist Carol Meyer **Pianist** Susie Lewis

Flutist Felicia Beeson **Drummer** Nolan Linderman

Guitarists Rick Peelle, Jack Linderman

Song Leaders

Amanda Stainbrook & Donna Winters

Audio & Visual Team

Janet Cole, Amy Zetzl, Mark Linderman

Alivia Pierce, Chris Lane

Ushers Steve Beeson, Linda Cowan

Sarah Geise, Elizabeth Warvel

Greeter Marti Retherford

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