

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 Dilley

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Prelude *O Come, All Ye Faithful* Organist

Announcements Adam Duell

Welcome & Greeting Pastor John

WORSHIP: OUR GIFT TO GOD

*Gathering Prayer Pastor John

Advent Candle Lighting and Litany

Readers: Brad & Felicia Beeson, Linda Cowan, Don Hilbert

*Song for Gathering *Angels We Have Heard On High* Hymn 238

*Call to Worship *Love Came Down at Christmas* Hymn 242

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *The First Noel* Flute & Piano Hymn 245

*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 Luke 1:39-45 Dreu Doerstler & Griffin

The Message Pastor John

Christmas Is... Love

COMMITTING TO GOD

*Song of Commitment *Love Has Come*

Words of Dismissal

*Postlude *What Child Is This?* Organist

Altar Flowers given by Barb & Chris Beeson.

*We celebrate Christmas so we can celebrate
Easter that gives Hope.*

Opportunities to Connect this Week

Welcome to Worship

Sunday, December 23

5:30 - 8 p.m. Combined Youth & Tweens Christmas Party

Monday, December 24 Church Office Closed

6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve & Candlelight Service

10 p. m. Christmas Eve & Candlelight Service

Tuesday, December 25-Church Office Closed

Merry Christmas!

Wednesday & Thursday December 26 & 27

Church Office Opened

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

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

Adam Duell & Jean Dilley

You're Invited 50th Wedding Anniversary Open House

For Joe & Mary Wyatt (former minister) on December 29 from 2-4

p.m. Place: North Vernon First UM Church 240 Popular St

Any questions call 1-317-474-4654