

**FIRST UNITED**   
**METHODIST CHURCH**  
— LOVING GOD, LOVING NEIGHBOR —

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# WELCOME

Welcome to First United Methodist Church! We are glad you chose to worship with us today, and we hope you experience a time of community and spiritual renewal. Please fill out our connection card on our mobile app, so that we can connect with you. Let an usher know if we can assist you in any way. Whether you're a first-time guest or a long-time member at FUMC, volunteers are ready to assist you with any questions you may have regarding activities and ministries at the church.

## Worship

FUMC - Lufkin currently offers our weekly worship service in-person or on Facebook Live at 10 AM. Join us on Sunday for In-Person Worship Service in the Youth and Worship Center.

### **Busy Bags**

Children are welcome in our worship service. Busy bags, filled with activities offering scripture lessons, are available to help keep children engaged. Look for the orange FUMC Kids bags!

## Connect and Grow

At FUMC, we hope that all grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ and develop a deeper understanding of God's word. Sunday School classes offer such an opportunity, with groups for all ages. Please contact our ministry staff for more information on how these classes meet.

### **Adult**

The church offers 12 adult classes. For more information, please contact Carolee Brink at [cbrink@lufkinfirst.com](mailto:cbrink@lufkinfirst.com).

### **Nursery / Preschool (Infant - Pre-K)**

Please contact Chasity Gauthier at [cgauthier@lufkinfirst.com](mailto:cgauthier@lufkinfirst.com)

### **Elementary Age Children (Grades K - 5th)**

Please contact Chasity Gauthier at [cgauthier@lufkinfirst.com](mailto:cgauthier@lufkinfirst.com)

### **Youth (Grades 6th - 12th)**

Please contact Jenny Capps at [jcapps@lufkinfirst.com](mailto:jcapps@lufkinfirst.com)

## Words of Welcome to New Members

We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members, together with you in the body of Christ and in the congregation of First United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. Amen.



### **FREE WIFI**

Feel free to connect to **FUMC Guest WiFi**  
Use the password: **CharlesWesley\***

# January 17, 2021 • 10 AM

## Second Sunday After The Epiphany

### Welcome and Greeting

Welcome to First United Methodist Church Online! We are glad you chose to worship with us today, and we hope you experience a time of community and spiritual reviving. Please be sure you let us know you are here by filling out our connection card at <http://lufkinfirst.com/check-in-form/>

### Worship

*Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing  
Here I Am To Worship*

### Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Children's Time

Chasity Gauthier

### Prayers of the People

**Pastor:** We acknowledge the pains, sufferings, and injustices of this world and we call upon your name as this Body of Christ in calling for justice, peace, and love to prevail throughout the world.

**People:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** We pray for all who have been discriminated against; may they find your justice that rolls down like mighty waters.

**People:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** We pray for all who have been abused and exploited; may they find your grace and peace that transcends all wrong.

**People:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** We pray for all of those who hold an active hand in the discrimination of others, even if it is us at times. May all of us acknowledge the times we have hurt others and seek to amend the brokenness in the world through Jesus Christ.

**People:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** We give you humble thanks for the leaders throughout the ages and the ones today who are dedicated fighting injustices through your loving eyes and seeking to make your Kingdom a reality for all people.

**People:** **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** Embolden us to be peacemakers and those who do justice and seek mercy as we walk humbly with you, O God. In Christ's name we pray,

**People:** **Amen.**

### 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; and 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.

# Invitation to God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*How Great Thou Art*  
Breya Grable

## Ways To Give

- Through our website at [www.lufkinfirst.com](http://www.lufkinfirst.com)
- On the Venmo App - our username is @FirstUMC-Lufkin
- By texting FUMCLufkin to 73258
- By mailing your check to: FUMC, 805 E. Denman Ave. Lufkin, TX 75901

## Reading of God's Word

1 Samuel 3:1-10

## Sermon

**"God in the Gaps"**  
Rev. Dr. Jerome Brimmage

## Response

*Here I Am, Lord*

## Pastoral Benediction

Colossians 3:12-17

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## Join Us In Prayer

### *Fervent Prayer for our Faith Family...*

Barbara Wolf  
Becky Bowers  
Bennie Hollis  
Bertha Plowman  
Beverly Martin  
Brian, Ginny, Travis  
and Maury Spore  
Candice Bess  
Charles Fredrick  
Chasity Gauthier  
Cherry Barnes  
David Bowers  
David Young  
Debbie Anderson  
Dot Brookshire  
Gary Hendrick  
Gene & Sherry  
McClung  
George Fowler

Gladys Liese  
J.D. Barnes  
Jean Keele  
Jody Anderson  
Joe Wilroy  
Johnny Martin  
Joy Frederick  
Kaleb Roche  
Kay Moss  
Kevin Korando  
Liz Wilkie  
Lorraine Dorman  
Lucille Anderson  
Luke Michael Jefferson  
Melanie Stewart-Ring  
Melba Ferden  
Michael DiLorenzo  
Noah Patterson  
Otto Smith

Pamela, Marshall  
and Gabriel Gorham  
Paul Bryan  
Phillip Pate  
Robin Tucker  
Sandy McEntire  
Sarah Williams  
Savanna Morris  
Seth M Wheeler  
The Family of Jetta  
Westerholm  
The Family of John  
Woodside  
VCI Teams  
Vercie McMullen  
Vergia Walker  
Victoria Woodford  
Wayne Haglund  
Wendy Okray

### ***Our Military...***

Boyce McClellan  
Cody Minshew  
David Webb  
Jan Janisch  
Josh Rudis  
Richard Wilroy  
Ryan Hamel  
Zach Button

## Announcements

### **Small Groups, Youth and Children School Classes**

All small groups, Youth and Children Sunday School classes and in-person activities will continue to be held virtually until further notice. With COVID-19 numbers on the rise in our area, we feel it is safer to hold these activities virtually. Once it is safe to resume in-person classes for these groups, we will give at least one week notice.

### **Life For Good • 2021 Stewardship Campaign**

We are made in the image of a good, creative, and generous God. When God sent Jesus into the world, we were shown incredible love and invited to participate in the new life Jesus offers us. John says it this way, "I have come that you may have life, and have it abundantly." We are created to have life, and for good. What does it mean to have life for good? Join us for a worship series where we get a chance to say yes to a life for good by partnering in ministry and stewardship with God as we live abundant lives grounded in Jesus Christ and invite others into this life for good.

- Week One (Jan. 24) - Doing Life For Good
- Week Two (Jan 31) - Doing Life For Good
- Week Three (Feb. 7) - Doing Life For Good
- Week Four (Feb. 14) - Good, Better, Best

Commitment Sunday is February 14, 2021.

Visit [www.lufkinfirst.com/lfg](http://www.lufkinfirst.com/lfg) for more information.

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