

## Servant Leaders

### **Acolytes**

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*Bart & Melanie Crowe*

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*Terence Reckard & Leta Thomas*

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*Meredith Baker & Kevin Ammerman*

### **Presentation Team**

*Ron & Christine Adhikari, Claire Farmer*

### **Ushers**

*Sandra Crowe, Brenda Danas, Diane Roberts,  
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*The flowers placed at the cross in the sanctuary are  
to Honor & Glorify the Lord!.*

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## *Welcome to Bethany!*

If you are visiting for the first time, we are delighted you are here. To show our appreciation for your presence, we have a gift for you! Please see a greeter at the front entry of the church (Narthex) for your gift. We are blessed by your presence. Bethany is pleased to offer childcare for members and friends. This service is available at both services for children up to five years old. Please see an usher if you wish to take advantage of this ministry.

### *Traditional Worship—January 13, 2019*

#### **Welcome & Opportunities to Connect**

Rev. Pam McCurdy

PLEASE COMPLETE THE COMMUNICATIONS CARD AND DROP IT IN OFFERING PLATE.

#### **Greeting Your Neighbors**

Rev. Pam McCurdy

#### **Prelude**

*Prelude in C*

#### **Call to Worship**

*Stand Up and Bless the Lord*

#662

#### **Opening Hymn**

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

#158

#### **\*Affirmation of Faith**

*Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version*

#881

#### **\*Gloria Patri**

#71

#### **Morning Prayer**

Rev. Chip Wilson

#### **Lord's Prayer**

#### **Children's Moment**

Mary Jane Higman

#### **Hymn**

*Spirit Song*

#347

#### **Reception of God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

#### **Offertory Prayer**

Rev. Pam McCurdy

#### **Offertory Anthem**

*Come Be Baptized*

#### **\*Doxology**

#95

#### **Scripture Reading**

*Luke 3: 21-22*

Rev. Chip Wilson

#### **Sermon**

*"Washing Away the Junk"*

Rev. Chip Wilson

#### **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

#### **Closing Hymn**

*Shall We Gather at the River*

#723

#### **\*Benediction**

Rev. Chip Wilson

#### **\*Benediction Response**

*Good Christian Friends Rejoice  
(verse 3 only)*

#224

#### **Postlude**

*Take the Name of Jesus With You*

*\*Congregation, please stand as able*

**Congregational Conversation** - The United Methodist Church has hit an impasse on the question of human sexuality and gender identity, and will hold a **Special Session of the General Conference** of The United Methodist Church February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, Missouri. The purpose will be to receive and act on a report from the Commission on a Way Forward based on the recommendations of the Council of Bishops.

**TODAY from 3:00-5:00** we will hold an Information Session in Lacy Hall. Dr. Phil Schroeder, the Director of the Center for Congregational Excellence of the North GA Conference, will be with us to lead us in this time of understanding and conversation.

**Bethany UMW** - Bethany UMW will be having a meeting on January 20<sup>th</sup>, in Lacy Hall 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., to install officers, talk about 2019 goals, 150 year legacy, and many more things. We will also have games and refreshments. All Bethany women are welcome. Check us out and see what we are all about. All circle members are encouraged to attend. The circle with the most members gets a prize. All Chairpersons and officers are expected to attend. Of course we know you are looking forward to being there for the fun. See you there!

--*Sandra Crowe & Louise Young*, Co-Presidents

**Human Relations Sunday** - Turn on the news or drive around the community and you will find what Jesus called “the least of these.” Those living in the margins of society, struggling to survive. People like:

- A teenager recruited by a local gang
- A father struggling for sobriety
- A woman recently released from incarceration looking for work

Over and over Jesus served people like this, embracing them. And that’s what we want to model as the people of The United Methodist Church. To continue the ministry of Jesus, the Human Relations Day special offering was developed to so that all of our churches to participate in helping all God’s children to realize their potential. We will observe this offering on Sunday, January 20. Special envelopes will be provided. Please be in prayer for those this offering will assist.



**Thank You** - I want to thank my church family for all that you did to make my recovery go smoothly. The outpouring love and kindness was overwhelming. I thank you for the visits, texts, phone calls, cards, flowers, Christmas Carolers that came by, edible arrangements, and delicious meals. I am blessed immeasurably by the love you have showered me with. It touched my heart and truly helped me through this time of healing physically as well as emotionally. All my love, *Mary Jane*

**Vote for Evelyn!** - Evelyn White, our extraordinary, very talented and gifted pianist, has been nominated for the music instructor in Cobb County.



Additionally, the school where she teaches, Pebblebrook High School of Performing Arts, has also been nominated. Please vote for her and the school. You can vote as many times as you would like. The deadline to vote is January 25. Below is the link that will take you to the voting site.

<https://www.mdjonline.com/cobblife/bestof/>

Click the *Kids & Education* tab. Scroll to Public High School, Vote for *Cobb County Center for Excellence in the Performing Arts*. Then, click the tab that will say “teacher” and vote for *Evelyn!* Do it as many times as you possibly can.

**Flower Calendar**—Don’t forget to sign-up for altar flowers. The sheets are located on the board across from water fountain on the adult Sunday School hall. The cost for each arrangement is \$40.

**MUST MINISTRIES NEEDS** - The following items are needed at the Smyrna MUST pantry: beef stew, canned chicken, ham or salmon, ramen noodles, canned pork & beans, canned fruit (*pineapple or mandarin oranges - no snack sizes, please*), spaghetti noodles, dry potatoes, pinto beans, chili beans, canned carrots, canned spinach, kidney beans, canned peas, chunky soups, tomato paste, tea, juice boxes. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

**Calendar Dates** - If you are a ministry chairperson and have meeting or event dates, please send them via email to the church office as soon as you can. We want to make sure to include them on the church calendar. Also, we want to avoid overbooking of space usage. Thanks so much for your cooperation.