

## THE POWER OF PRAYER

- Prayer for ministries of Pastor Earl Kim, Bishop John Schol, D.S. Manuel Sardinas, and Rev. Franck Aguilh.
- Pray for First UMC of Montclair and its leadership.
- Remember these names in your prayer: Rev. Dr. Michael Williams, Ricardo Coward, Nicole Peaks' mother, godparents James and Rochelle Stewart, her cousin April, Coco Kenny and her mother, Rob Lester's father Robert Lester, Gloria Foster's sister Hannah Wedderburn, Dan McGivern, and Langirene, Kennette, Keira, Christopher, Franckie Aguilh.

### Upcoming Small Group Meetings

- NOW Prayer Meeting: Saturday, January 18, 9:00am
- Irvington Feeding: Saturday, January 18, 10:30am

### Sunday School schedule

- Children's Church: Pre-K to 6th grade during service
- Bible study class for adults at 12:00pm

### Souper Saturday: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays, January to April

Our annual soup kitchen is back! We cook and deliver hot soup to those in need. Please consider donating ingredients, joining the cooking team or the delivery team!

### Youth Group is starting! Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> @7pm

All youth are invited to the kick-off day of this new youth gathering. If you have any questions, please see Christopher Sterling.

**Today's altar flowers were donated by Hilda Taylor in celebration of Jee Hei's birthday. God bless, Hilda!**

## SHARING IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

- Today,  
January 12
- 10:00am: Sunday Worship.  
Rev. Earl Kim will deliver the message, "The New Life."  
Please join us for refreshments after the service.  
12:00pm: Bible Study
- Saturday,  
January 18
- 9:00am: NOW Prayer Meeting  
10:30am: Irvington Feeding

## WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

### Worship Team

- Liturgist: Hilda Taylor
- Reader: David Winful
- Children's Message: Nicole Peaks
- Children's Church: Sarah Kezengwa & Christopher Sterling
- Ushers: Vidal Guzman & Joe Myers
- Acolyte: Sarah Nwafor
- Counters: Vidal Guzman & Bobbette Kelly

### Readings

- Hebrew Bible Lesson: Isaiah 49:1-7
- Psalter Lesson: Psalm 40:1-11
- Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9
- Gospel Lesson: John 1:29-42



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### January 12, 2020: Baptism of the Lord Sunday

**OPEN HEARTS - OPEN MINDS - OPEN DOORS**

We belong to the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference  
of The United Methodist Church.

- Rev. John Schol, Bishop
- Rev. Manuel Sardinas, District Superintendent
- Rev. Earl Kim, Pastor
- Ken Rapp, Music Director
- Dr. Michael Stewart, Lay Leader

January 12, 2020 + Baptism of the Lord Sunday + 10:00 AM

\* - If able, please stand where indicated.  
Bolted text - said in unison by all.

UMH - United Methodist Hymnal  
FWS - The Faith We Sing Songbook

**CALLED TO PRAISE AND PRAY**

\*Prelude *Reminiscence* – Rex Koury

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: We gather to worship the Living Water!

**All: Spring up, Oh Well, within our souls.**

Leader: In our dry and arid places, Water of Baptism, refresh us.

**All: Stir up inside of us, renew us Living Water.**

Leader: Let us remember our baptism and be thankful!

**All: Take us to the waters! Let us renew our baptismal vows. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy* UMH 64

**Opening Prayer**

Leader: Living God, when the Spirit descended on Jesus at his baptism in Jordan's water you revealed him as your own beloved Son. You anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior now and for ever. Amen.

**Prayer of Confession**

**All: We are incredibly stubborn, O Lord. We have entered the season in which your Light has been given to the world, your blessings have been poured out on the world, and yet all we can think about is our own problems, our own needs, our own desires. Help us to desire you, Lord. Help us to yearn for your presence. Pour your baptismal waters over us again, cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance. Again let us receive the blessings offered in creation, in the birth and baptism of Jesus, and in the ministry of the saints of light. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

(Pausing for Silent Prayer and Confession...)

Pastor: The love of God is always offered to us, freely, joyfully, for all eternity.

**All: So let us rejoice, this is the good news of our Lord. Amen.**

**Sharing Our Joys & Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer**

**Children's Message** Christopher Sterling

Children from PreK to Grade 6 are dismissed to the Children's Room - please follow today's teachers, Dr. Leslie Lester & Ms. Gaby Paredes.)

**Responsive Hymn** *Spirit Song* UMH 347

**CALLED TO THE WORD**

**Hebrew Bible Lesson** Isaiah 42:1-9 (p.670)

**Acts Lesson** Acts 10:34-43 (p.129)

**Anthem** *Come, Thou Fount* FUME Ensemble

\***Gospel Lesson** Matthew 3:13-17 (p.3)

**Sermon** "The New Life" Rev. Earl Kim

\***Passing the Peace of Christ**

**CALLED TO REAFFIRM FAITH**

**Hymn of Preparation** *Spirit of the Living God* UMH 393

**Service of Baptismal Renewal & Anointing** Screen

**CALLED TO SHARE**

**Offertory** *Wade in the Water* FUMC Ensemble

\***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

\***Prayer of Dedication**

**CALLED TO WITNESS IN THE WORLD**

\***Closing Hymn** *Blessed Assurance* UMH 369

\***Sending Forth**

\***Circle of Blessing** *Shalom to You* UMH 666

\***Postlude** *Celebration!* – Lani Smith

**Today's Worship Team**

- Preacher: Rev. Earl Kim
- Music Director: Ken Rapp
- Liturgist: Joe Myers
- Reader: Robert Kelly
- Children's Message: Christopher Sterling
- Children's Church: Dr. Leslie Lester & Gaby Paredes
- Acolyte: Jackson Kim
- Ushers: Dr. Michael & Arlene Stewart
- FUMC Ensemble: Jee Hei Park, Nicole Peaks, Ken Rapp

**Our Mission Statement**

As members of the First United Methodist Church of Montclair, our mission is to love, encourage, and equip each other to live as true disciples of Jesus Christ; and by inviting, embracing, nurturing, and empowering ALL others, to raise up new disciples of Jesus Christ.

**Office Hours** Church office is open from Tuesdays to Fridays 9am-2pm. Rev. Kim is in the office from Tuesday to Thursdays 9:30am-12:30pm, and available by phone or by appointment when he is not in the office.

**FUMC's Facebook page** Find First United Methodist Church of Montclair on Facebook! Please "like" the page so that you can be updated with the church's news and photos.

**Flowers for the Special Days** Birthdays, anniversaries – mark the special days in your life with a gift of flowers for the Altar.

**January Birthdays**

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|----|----------------|----|------------------|
| 2  | Olivia Duho    | 12 | Janice Hines     |
| 3  | James Myers    | 16 | Michelle Kim     |
| 6  | Jayden Paredes | 17 | Jackson Kim      |
| 8  | Emilie Pozo    | 25 | Avrille Nicholls |
| 9  | Jee Hei Park   |    | Robert Lester    |
| 11 | Nicole Peaks   |    |                  |