

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, February 1, 9:00am
- UMW Gathering: Saturday, February 1, 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: 2nd & 4th 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 30th @7pm

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

SHARING IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

- Today,
January 19
- 10:00am: Sunday Worship.
Rev. Earl Kim will deliver the message,
"A Call to Relationship"
Please join us for refreshments after
the service.
12:00pm: Bible Study
- Saturday,
January 25
- 9:00am: Souper Saturday

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Worship Team

- Reader: Dr. Michael Stewart
- Children's Message: Avrille Nicholls
- Children's Church: Julian Espinal & Marilou Rivera
- Ushers: Robert & Bobbette Kelly
- Acolyte: Kira Lindo
- Counters: Robert Kelly & Dr. J. C. N. Nwafor

Readings

- Hebrew Bible Lesson: Isaiah 9:1-4
- Psalter Lesson: Psalm 27:1, 4-9
- Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18
- Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:12-23



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January 19, 2020: Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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

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

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

CALLED TO PRAISE AND PRAY

*Prelude *Sarabande* – James Mansfield

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Listen up, everyone! God has given us work to do.

All: God has called each of us before we were even born.

Leader: It was God who named us.

All: It is God who claims us.

Leader: The light of God’s love shines in us.

All: Let’s shine God’s love into all the world!

*Opening Hymn *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* UMH 452

Opening Prayer

Leader: God of Isaiah, you are our God, too. You spoke to the prophets, but your message did not end with them. There is still work to be done, and we pray to hear your call afresh. Help us joyfully claim our role as your beloved servants, knowing that you provide all that we need to do our work. You walked with us before we were even born, and you continue to hold us by the hand each and every day of our lives. We pray with the confidence of those who have been filled with your light. We pray with the assurance of those who have been called into fellowship with your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

All: Faithful God, you call us to be saints, but we are more comfortable with the role of sinner; you call us to be your servants, but we worry that we lack the skills to do your work; you put a new song of praise in our mouths, but we stumble on unfamiliar words; you show us the work to be tackled, but we turn away defiant, insisting we have more important things to do. Put your song on our lips and in our hearts, and remind us of the joy that awaits us

when we put our trust in you. Guide us into the light of your unwavering, never-ending, and grace-filled love. Amen.

(Pausing for Silent Prayer and Confession...)

Pastor: God is faithful and ever-present. The God who knew us before our birth loves us still and strengthens us, that we will one day be blameless.

All: Through the gift of Jesus Christ, God offers us forgiveness, grace, and mercy. Amen.

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Children’s Message Nicole Peaks

Children from PreK to Grade 6 are dismissed to the Children’s Room - please follow today’s teachers, Ms. Sarah Kezengwa & Mr. Chris Sterling.)

Praise & Worship *Oh I Know the Lord Laid Hands on Me*
O Freedom Voices of Praise

CALLED TO THE WORD

Hebrew Bible Lesson Isaiah 49:1-7 (p.679)

Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (p.165)

***Gospel Lesson** John 1:29-42 (p.92)

Sermon “A Call to Relationship” Rev. Earl Kim

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

CALLED TO SHARE

Offertory *Precious Lord, Take My Hands* Voices of Praise

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

CALLED TO WITNESS IN THE WORLD

***Closing Hymn** *We Are Called* FWS 2172

***Sending Forth**

***Circle of Blessing** *We Shall Overcome* UMH 533

***Postlude** *With Joy Unending* – Ed Broughton

Today’s Worship Team

- Preacher: Rev. Earl Kim
- Music Director: Ken Rapp
- Liturgist: Hilda Taylor
- Reader: David Winful
- Children’s Message: Nicole Peaks
- Children’s Church: Sarah Kezengwa & Christopher Sterling
- Acolyte: Sarah Nwafor
- Ushers: Vidal Guzman & Joe Myers
- Voices of Praise: Rev. Franck Aguilh, Carmen Campbell, Gloria Foster, Joe Myers, Avrielle Nicholls, Jee Hei Park, Arlene Stewart, David Winful

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 | Avrielle Nicholls |
| 9 | Jee Hei Park | | Robert Lester |
| 11 | Nicole Peaks | | |