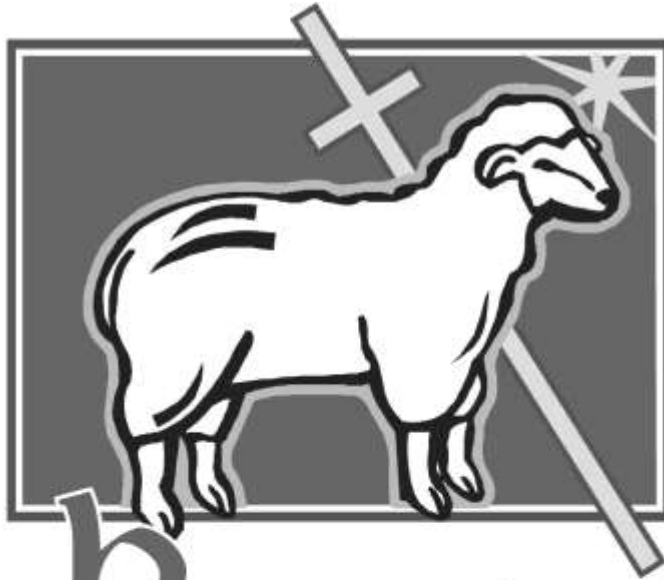


# Fletcher's Chapel United Methodist Church

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**h**ERE IS THE  
LAMB OF GOD  
WHO TAKES AWAY  
THE SIN  
OF THE WORLD!

JOHN 1.29

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany, January 15, 2017 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

## **The Prelude**

### **\*Chiming of the Hour**

### **\*The Call to Worship**

Sing a new song, a song of thanks and praise,

**For God has done wondrous deeds, and is great beyond compare!**

### **\*Hymn**

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

UMH 189

## **The Opening Prayer**

Holy God, you sent your son to be the light of the world, so that all may know the brightness of your love. Fill us with your grace this day that we too may bear witness to his light and serve your coming reign. In Jesus’ name we pray. **Amen.**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **The Children’s Message**

## **Time of Sharing and Prayer**

Celebrations of God’s Grace and Prayer Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer (UMH 895)

### **\*Hymn**

“Just As I Am”

UMH 357

## **Prayer for Illumination**

We would see Jesus in the Scripture story. Open our ears, God, and open our hearts. Take every barrier to your Spirit’s teaching. Give us your Word, God, and pour out your Truth. **Amen.**

**The Scripture Reading** – Isaiah 49:1-7

p. 1106

**The Gospel Reading** – John 1:29-42

p. 1595

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **The Message**

“The Great Invitation: Come and See”

## The Receiving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

**The Response:** "In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful" (2x)

In the Lord, I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,

Lift up your voices: the Lord is near.

**\*The Doxology** (UMH 95)

**\*The Prayer of Dedication:** We give you thanks, O loving God, that you have placed in the hearts of your faithful people the gift of generosity and the desire to do your will. Use these gifts to proclaim good news to every nation and restore all people to Christ. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn** "Rescue the Perishing" UMH 591

### **\*The Charge and Blessing:**

Go forth in peace, for God in Christ has enriched you with speech and knowledge and every spiritual gift, that God's salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

May God's steadfast love and mercy lead you, and make your steps secure, keeping you forever safe on paths of righteousness and peace. **Amen.**

**Postlude** "Bless the Lord" (2X)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's Holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Assisting with Worship Today January 22, 2017**

**Scripture Readers** Robert Minx (8:30) Troy Thompson (8:30)

Stephenie Newton (11:00)

**Greeters** Stephenie Newton (11:00) Kenny Newton (11:00)

**Volunteers Needed for January and February:** The sign-up sheet is on the front center pew.

**Welcome Cards** – We welcome all our guests. There are welcome cards located in the pews. Please take a moment to fill one out and place it into the offering plate during the collection.

## **About Fletcher's Chapel Church**

**Our Vision** is to be a beacon in the name of Jesus Christ to the world, to make disciples of Jesus Christ and to send them forth to proclaim God's Word and serve God's will everywhere and always.

**Our Mission:** <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." -- Matthew 28:19-20

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**MINISTERS:**

**PRESIDING BISHOP:**

**DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT:**

**PASTOR:**

**LAY LEADER:**

**MUSICIAN:**

**All Members**

**Sharma D. Lewis**

**Theodore Smith**

**Michael B. Reaves**

**Marie Williams**

**Elizabeth Pruett**

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**January 15, 2017 – January 22, 2017**

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>Human Relations Sunday</b> <b>Loose Change Collection</b> 8:30am      Worship 9:45am      Sunday School Opening (Sanctuary) 10:00am     Sunday School 11:00am     Worship
<b>Monday, 1/16</b>	<b>The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</b>
<b>Wednesday, 1/18</b>	9:30am      Heritage Hall Nursing Home Ministry
<b>Friday, 1/20</b>	4:00pm      Serving Dinner at Thurman Brisben Center
<b>Sunday, 1/22</b>	8:30am      Worship 9:45am      Sunday School Opening (Sanctuary) 10:00am     Sunday School 11:00am     Worship

**Upcoming:**

<b>Wednesday, 1/25</b>	10:00am      Morning Prayer Group
<b>Friday, 1/27</b>	5:00pm      Girl Scouts
<b>Sunday, 2/5</b>	<b>Holy Communion/Canned Food Collection</b>
<b>Sunday, 2/12</b>	<b>Loose Change Collection</b> 9:30am      Coffee Fellowship

**Birthdays This Week**

1/15 Billy Sullivan, Jr.



**Human Relations Day!** Today is one of the “Six Special Sundays” in the United Methodist Church. The Human Relations Day offering supports neighborhood ministries through Community Developers, community advocacy in the United States and Puerto Rico through United Methodist Voluntary Services and work with at-risk youth through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program.



**The Loose Change Offering** is collected by the children on the Second Sunday of each month. These gifts will go to Heifer International whose mission is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the earth. By giving families a hand-up, not just a hand-out, the Heifer Project empowers them to turn lives of hunger and poverty into self-reliance and hope. With gifts of livestock and training, Heifer Projects help families improve their nutrition and generate income in sustainable ways.

### **“The Great Invitation Begins Today”**

Over the next seven weeks, as we embark this new series, “The Great Invitation,” we are going to be talking about evangelism. In particular, we will be exploring the role of all baptized believers in the evangelistic mission of the church by encouraging disciples to share their faith and invite someone who is not yet a follower of Jesus Christ to come and see who he is.

Today our message is **“Come and See.”** In the story of the calling of the first disciples from John’s gospel, we are inspired and challenged to come and see how Jesus lives ourselves and to continue to invite those we know to come with us.

***(Next week’s message: “Follow Me”)***

**Be a Part of The Story!** The Fellowship Class started a 31-week study on The Story: The Bible as One Continuous Story of God and His People today during the Sunday School time. The Story sweeps you into the unfolding progression of Bible characters and events from Genesis to Revelation. Using the clear, accessible text of the NIV Bible, it allows the stories, poems, and teachings of the Bible to read like a novel. And like any good story, The Story is filled with intrigue, drama, conflict, romance, and redemption – and this story’s true! If you are not currently a member of a Sunday School class, this will be a great place to start. See Pastor Mike if you would like a copy of the book.

**Morning Prayer Group began last Wednesday:** If you are available and willing to commit to meeting twice a month on the second and fourth Wednesdays, please speak with the pastor.

**Coffee Fellowship Volunteers Needed!** We need volunteers to provide refreshments (doughnuts, muffins, fruit, etc.), make coffee, and prepare the Fellowship Hall in advance. Please see Pastor Mike if you are able to volunteer in January or any other month

**Stay Informed!** Copies of the 2017 Church Budget and a list of all Officers and Committees are available on the table under the literature rack in the sanctuary entrance. Everyone is encouraged to obtain a copy of each.

**Prayer Concerns:**

**Prayers for our Community and the World:** The congregation and guests of Fletcher's Chapel and our community; the residents and staff of the Thurman Brisben Center; Our Bishop and his cabinet.

**Prayers for Our Church Family:** Jeanne Bullock, Dee Campbell, Arlene Coates, Delores Coates, Dewayne Coates, John Earl Coates, Ed Curtis, Pat Curtis, Audrey Davenport, Louise Henderson, Ray Highfield, Grace Humberger, Karis Humberger, Pam Hunter, Evelyn Jackson, Lolita James, McKennah Lauber, Sherri Minx, Turner Minx, Lily Radolinski, Clifton Seay, Shirley Seay, Annette Stahler, Pete Sullivan

**Prayers for our Families and Friends:** Krystalene Balao, Mikie Barker, Wesley Berry, Mitchell Burroughs, The Cameron Family, Barbara Canaday, Felecia Cook, Darrell Critzer, Tommy Davis, Chris Deike, Pat DeShazo, Rowena Diaz, Almeta Frazier, The Frazier Family, Gage Ford and Family, Wayne Gallahan, Jake Gallelo, Jeff Gilley, Karissa Greecher, Larry Green, Theresa Guarracino, Barbara Hatchell, John Jones, Betty Jubb, Billy Kennedy, Sylvia Kennedy, Robert Klink, Becky Lafferty, Ronald Marshall, Paul Morfit, Mike Nave, Adolfo Pangilinan, Lina Perry, David Pitts, Elaine Cooley Pitts, Brad Pruett, Robert Pruitt, Chuck Rabbitt, Patrick Robinson, Sam Robinson, Brent Rowand, Barbara Rowe, Joey Rowe, Kelly Roy, Malone Schooler, Brian Scott, Joseph Sirrels, K. J. Spears, Claude Stevens, Mary Stewart, Vickie Stewart, Ryland Tedeton, Joan Wehner, Jen Ulrich

***Prayer Request Cards*** are available in the pew rack