

TODAY IS SUNDAY
February 1, 2009
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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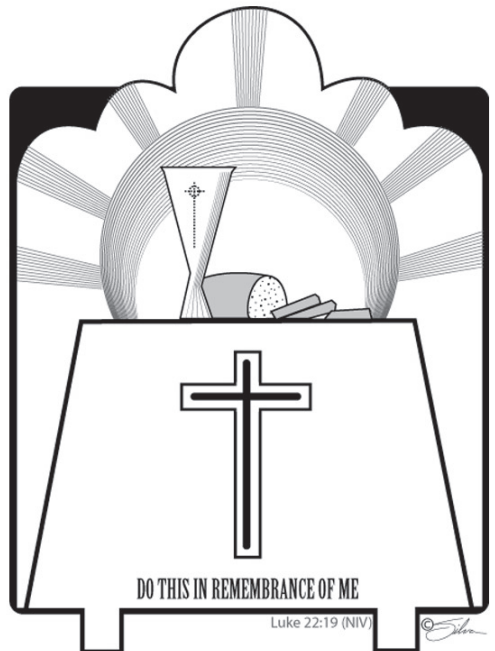
Today we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, also known as Holy Communion, or simply Communion. The old marriage service, referring specifically to the wedding rings, calls a sacrament "an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace." In simpler terms, it is God's way of using material things to show the nature and depth of His love.

The two "dominical" sacraments, those instituted by the Lord Himself, are Baptism (as ordered in Matthew 28:18) and the Supper (I Corinthians 11:23-26). In the best Hebrew practice, concrete things were used - people, lambs, blood, wine, newly-harvested grain, bitter herbs - rather than abstract ideas to express religious relationships: the Christian sacraments involve people, water, bread, and wine. Both dominical sacraments center on actions: at the Supper Jesus emphatically said, "DO this to remember me." The service itself focuses on the action of Jesus: taking the bread and wine, blessing the elements, breaking the bread, and distributing the elements. The words serve primarily to explain and reinforce the action.

The Supper occurs in a Passover context, the ancient Hebrew festival of praise and thanksgiving which celebrated God's saving act of delivering the Israelites from Egyptian oppression. Both Hebrew and Christian rituals include a meal and an explanatory narrative. Part of our commemoration is a rehearsal or reenactment not only of Maundy Thursday but also of Emmaus, when late on Easter Day the two disciples recognize their risen Lord "in the breaking of the bread" (Luke 24:35). Thus our response - not just a knee-jerk reaction - to God's mighty act of salvation accomplished through His Son is praise and thanksgiving. One of the names for this service is Eucharist, "thanksgiving." The central prayer is the Great Thanksgiving.

In addition to the speaking and singing of most Sunday worship, the Eucharist includes physical actions: moving to the table or communion rail, opening our hands to receive the bread, dipping the bread into the cup, offering a silent prayer of thanksgiving for our redemption, and going out into the world as God's ministers. In the heavily anti-intellectual culture that afflicts us, in a state which seems to favor road repair over education, we should take consolation in the fact that little of the Communion service requires a high I. Q. Both babes in arms and rocket scientists are welcome at the Lord's Table. Aren't you glad that John Wesley strongly believed in open Communion and that his 21st-century progeny, no matter how unorthodox in other respects, still adhere to that practice?

As for the hair-splitting debate over partaking unworthily, we should just accept the fact that we are all unworthy. But we must always remember that Jesus came to save sinners, not to pander to complacent saints. Charles Wesley's great hymn begins, "Come, Sinners, to the gospel feast," not "Come, complacent saints." Furthermore, the meter wouldn't fit anyway.



WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45AM SPIRIT-TO-SPIRIT (SISK HALL)
9:00AM TRADITIONAL (SANCTUARY)

10:00AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00AM TRADITIONAL (SANCTUARY)

THIS WEEK AT BSUMC

Sunday, February 1

Walk with Christ Ends
 10:00 AM College Age Sunday School Class (225A)
 10:00 AM Confirmation Class (115)
 10:00 AM Disciple I Bible Study (Student Ministry Bldg.)
 10:00 AM Walk With Christ Youth Event (Drake Hall)
 12:00 PM Sprouts Pizza Party (Truluck)
 12:30 PM Basketball (Drake Hall)
 3:45 PM Youth Orchestra (Choir Room)
 4:30 PM Youth Choir (Choir Room)
 5:00 PM Worship & Healing Service (Sanctuary)
 5:15 PM 5 fifteen (Sisk & Drake Halls)
 5:15 PM Disciple I (202)
 5:15 PM Financial Peace University (203)
 5:30 PM Feedin' Jesus (Kitchen)
 7:15 PM Basketball (Drake Hall)

Monday, February 2

7:30 AM CDC Open Monday-Friday
 12:00 PM OSL (Tommy's Ham House)
 5:15 PM Basketball (Drake Hall)
 5:15 PM Basketball (Sisk Hall)
 6:00 PM Children's Ministry Board (114)
 6:00 PM Staff Parish Relations Committee Meeting (Archives)
 6:30 PM Ashley Baxter's Aerobics Class (Children's Dining Room)
 6:55 PM Bible Study Fellowship Meeting (Memorial Chapel, 100, 115, 214, 216, 206, 201, 204, 203, 205, 215)
 6:55 PM BSF Introduction Class
 7:00 PM Venture Group (Scout Hut)

Tuesday, February 3

6:00 AM Joyous Joggers/Walkers
 9:30 AM "Well-Balanced" for Seniors (Drake Hall)
 9:30 AM Staff Meeting (114)
 10:30 AM UMW Board Meeting
 12:00 PM CDC Finance Meeting (114)
 1:15 PM "Well-Balanced" for Seniors (Drake Hall)
 5:00 PM Basketball (Drake Hall)
 5:30 PM Basketball (Sisk Hall)
 6:00 PM Cub Scouts Pack 9 (Scout Hut)
 7:00 PM "BYOBible" Study (206)

Wednesday, February 4

9:00 AM Ashley Baxter's Aerobics Class (Drake Hall)
 9:30 AM BSUMC Intercessory Prayer Group (Memorial Chapel)
 12:00 PM Greenville City Prayer (Triune Chapel)
 4:30 PM Voices in Bronze Youth Handbells
 5:15 PM Dinner (Drake Hall)
 5:30 PM Carillon Choir Adult Handbells
 6:00 PM Angel Choir for 3 year-olds
 6:00 PM Building Kids for 1st-5th grades
 6:00 PM Cherub Choir for 4 & 5 year-olds
 6:00 PM Youth Group
 6:15 PM Building U 101 (Chapel)
 6:15 PM Building U 201 (115)
 6:15 PM Building U 301 Small Groups
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)
 6:30 PM Building Kids for 3, 4, & 5 year-olds
 6:30 PM SonRise Praise Band
 7:15 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 5

6:00 AM Joyous Joggers/Walkers
 9:00 AM "Women at the Well" (Orders Parlor, 100, 202, 203, 204, 205, 114 & 115)
 9:15 AM "Well-Balanced" for Seniors (Drake Hall)
 11:00 AM Thursday's Sermon Scripture Study (Truluck)
 1:15 PM "Well-Balanced" for Seniors (Drake Hall)
 3:30 PM 175th Anniversary Meeting (114)
 5:00 PM Basketball (Drake Hall)
 6:00 PM Lifelong Learning Child Care Training (Truluck)
 6:30 PM "Having A Mary Heart In A Martha World" Bible Study (114 & Orders Parlor)

6:30 PM Eagle Review Boards (202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 214, 215)

7:00 PM Basketball Devotions & Fellowship (Truluck)

Friday, February 6

7:00 AM United Methodist Men's Breakfast (Truluck)
 7:00 PM Starry, Starry Night Dinner Theatre (Sisk Hall)

Saturday, February 7

6:25 AM Bible Study Fellowship Leaders Meeting (101)
 8:00 AM Basketball (Drake Hall)
 8:00 AM OA Training (202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 214, 215, 216)
 9:30 AM Basketball Devotions & Fellowship (Truluck)
 3:00 PM OA Banquet (Sisk Hall)

To learn more about future events planned at BSUMC, visit our website at www.bsumc.com and click on the calendar link.

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Spirit-to-spirit Hospitality

Betsy Currie, Rhonda Stubbs

Greeters

11:00 AM David Knight

Information Desk

9:00 AM Debbie Putnam

10:00 AM Leta and Paul Poston

11:00 AM Donna Styles

Ushers

9:00 AM Jerry Broome, Mark Mitchell, Steve Thrailkill, Ken Troutman

11:00 AM Dan Gentry, Teddy Littlepage, Stuart McAlister, Jim Patterson, Trey Suggs, J.B. Watts, Bob White, Scott Williams

Offering Tellers

David Rheney, Susan Hoag, Frank Hammond, Jr.

Offering Stewards

9:00 AM John Tomlinson

11:00 AM Fred Suggs

Acolytes

9:00 AM Garrett Keller, Sarah Eikenbusch

11:00 AM Sam Jackson, Carson Jackson

Crucifers

9:00 AM Mary Catherine Pelhan

11:00 AM Dylan Brandon

Nursery — To volunteer or to leave a message, contact Jennifer Dow, Nursery Coordinator, at 864-371-6104.

Infants

8:45 AM Shannon Busby

10:00 AM Andrea Creech

Walkers

8:45 AM Molly Maloney

10:00 AM Stephanie Burnett

2s, 3s, 4s

8:45 AM Stephanie Manning

10:00 AM Leigh Turner

11:00 AM Krista Bannister

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

January 25, 2009

Budget Receipts	\$51,537.62
Budget Receipts YTD	\$156,261.77
Debt Reduction	\$4,523.33
Debt Reduction YTD	\$7,531.33
Nursery/TLC/kids.Comm	145
8:45 Worship	371
9:00 Worship	201
11:00 Worship	382
Total Worship	1,099
Sunday School	922
Sunday Evening Attendance	161
Wednesday, January 28	400

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of the 90th birthday of Harry Weeks by Mrs. Ruth Weeks and family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Prayer Shawl in the upper lobby is for **Lynn Fischer**. The Prayer Quilt in the lower lobby is for 3 year-old **Aden Harrington**. Please stop by each, offer a silent prayer, and tie a knot in the quilt.

Attention BSUMC men! If you are *not* receiving email notifications of the UMM ministries, email your email address to this address so you can be included in the notifications: bsumc_man_up_umm@hotmail.com.

Anyone who would like to join the **BSUMC Prayer Chain**, or re-connect by email with this ministry, may email Marsha Maxwell at marlee6@aol.com and leave a name and email address. We appreciate your participation in this important prayer initiative of over 260 people. The Prayer Chain coordinators are Marsha Maxwell and Robbie Boman.

Ashley Baxter has added Thursday night classes to her popular aerobics/toning classes. Evening classes are held on Monday and Thursday at 6:30 PM, and morning classes are on Wednesday at 9:00 AM. Contact Ashley with Outreach Fitness at ashleyrbaxter@yahoo.com or 420-2005.

“Up the Hill” Men’s Basketball League will begin soon. Games will be played on Monday nights at BSUMC. The cost is \$50, and BSUMC church members are encouraged to invite other men who may be looking for a church home to participate in this ministry. Contact Jack Riordan at 240-2438 or jack.riordan@smithmoorelaw.com.

A new Bible study group for women begins on Thursday, February 5, at 9:00 AM. The book *He Loves Me* by Wayne Jacobsen, will be available for \$13 on the 5th. The program begins with coffee and conversation, then a speaker covers pertinent issues of interest, then small groups meet. Contact Loraine Smith at 313-0331 or Becca Jopling at 230-5627.

Open to all is a **study on the book of Genesis** beginning Sunday, February 8. The group study and discussion will be held at 6:00 PM in room 202. Mike Maston is the facilitator. Participants do not need to sign up, just come.

UMM Man Up Operation Aaliyah! The next rebuild date for Mrs. Ware’s house is Friday and Saturday, February 6 and 7. Register through www.missionarysupply.org—men and women are invited! Contact K.C. Carter at 275-7323.

There will be a **UMM Men’s Leadership Team meeting** in room 115 at 5:00 PM on Monday, February 9.

BSUMC’s Mardi Gras Celebration will be held on Tuesday, February 17, at 1:00 PM in the Truluck Dining Room. There will be a King Cake and *fun* for all, so come out and enjoy the festivities!

David Cook, author of *Golf’s Sacred Journey: Seven Days at the Links of Utopia* will speak in Sisk Hall on Tuesday, February 17, at 6:30 PM. As an author, entrepreneur, sport and performance consultant, and ministry director, Cook is on a mission to coach the eternal legacies of men. Contact Joel Shaw at jshaw@fca.org or 320-7338.

Basketball Banquet tickets will be pre-sold this year and *will not* be available the day of the banquets. Tickets are \$5. As in the past, players and coaches eat for free, however, this year they must have a ticket to attend! Tickets will be sold in the church lobby on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. **Bring a Buddy/Mite Banquet**—March 1, 12:00 PM (purchase tickets by February 22.) **Midget-Senior Banquet**—March 22, 12:00 PM (purchase tickets by March 15.)



Today, Souper Bowl Sunday, BSUMC Youth are at the church doors collecting canned food and donations that will be used to curb hunger in our city. Your participation will be appreciated!

Starry, Starry Night—A Dinner Theatre—There are only 3 days left to purchase your tickets! This event will be an evening of delicious food and excellent entertainment. “Brethren 5,” an all-male vocal ensemble and Vance Jenkins, BSUMC’s sanctuary organist, will perform. Visit the Music and Arts table in the lobby this morning, or contact Rory Henderson in the church office. The deadline to make a reservation is by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, February 3.



2008 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

OPERATING	2008 BUDGET	2008 ACTUAL
Revenue	\$2,238,961	\$2,449,224
Expenses	\$2,528,389	\$2,434,616

HOSPITAL LIST—JANUARY 29, 2009

Ida Rigby; Harry Weeks — Greenville Memorial

(Call the church office for an up-to-date report from the Hospital Board, located in the church office.)

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

If you are ready to become a member of our church family, contact **Alane Kelley** in the church office at 371-6084. We are happy to help you find your place at BSUMC!

8:45AM SPIRIT-TO-SPIRIT SERVICE

Please enjoy refreshments before or after the service. Please turn off or silence all electronic devices before the service begins. Children are encouraged to be part of the worshipping community.

Nurseries are provided for infants to 4 year-olds should they become restless.

Prayer requests may be written on the white card that is in the basket at the end of your aisle.

You may place your card in the offering plate or on the altar at the conclusion of the service.

GATHERING SONG		<i>Your Love Is Amazing</i>
WELCOME		David Stubbs
CHILDREN'S ANTHEMS	Put Your Hands Up To the Sky My Church 10 Little Angels	Angel Choir
PASSING THE PEACE		Congregation
WRITTEN WORD	Mark 1:21-28	Rev. Jerry E. Temple
SPOKEN WORD	"Come As You Are"	Rev. Jerry E. Temple
COMMUNION		
WORSHIP SONG		<i>Refiner's Fire</i>
HIGHLIGHTS OF WALK WITH CHRIST		Clay Turner
OFFERING SONG		<i>On Our Side</i>
SONG OF DEDICATION		<i>Take Our Gifts</i>
	(If you would like, members of The Order of St. Luke are available to pray with you at the kneeling bench to the left of the podium.)	
RISE! UPDATE		Scott Powell
CLOSING SONG		<i>Light The Fire</i>
BENEDICTION		<i>Light The Fire</i>

9:00 AND 11:00AM TRADITIONAL SERVICES

As you begin your worship, you are invited to study the bulletin for persons and activities to include in your silent prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. Remember the volunteers and staff members who make our corporate action possible: ushers, acolytes, custodial and support staff, musicians, clergy, and yourself; so that in our common worship God may be glorified.

Please turn off or silence all electronic devices before the service begins. We ask for your prayerful silence during the Voluntary.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING THE HOUR

VOLUNTARY Voluntary and Fugue in A Selby

*CALL TO WORSHIP

How is life with you today?

Sometimes it is full of goodness and peace, but at other times it is full of worry and strife.

Give these worries and fears to Jesus.

We need to let go of our anxiety and turn to God.

Come, let us praise God, who has spoken words of healing love through Jesus.

Let us open our hearts and let go of our fears, for there is one who can heal our spirits.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 108 *God Hath Spoken By the Prophets* Ebenezer

*PROCESSION OF CROSS AND LIGHT

The Cross symbolizes the Gospel message, Christ crucified and risen. Fire and light are Biblical symbols for the presence of God, here present with His people.

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostle's Creed No. 881

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, dead, 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 shall 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.

*GLORIA PATRI No. 71

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHILDREN'S ANTHEMS Put Your Hands Up To the Sky
My Church
10 Little Angels
Angel Choir

GOD'S WRITTEN WORD (11:00 AM) Psalm 111 Pew Bible, OT p. 562

PSALTER PSALM 111, RESPONSE 2 (9:00 AM) Hymnal, pp. 832-3

MORNING PRAYER

RISE! UPDATE Scott Powell

*OFFERTORY HYMN 67 *We, Thy People, Praise Thee* St. Anthony's Chorale

*PRAYER

OFFERTORY Diapason Movement Boyce

*PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GOD'S WRITTEN WORD Mark 1:21-28 Pew Bible, NT pp. 36-7

ANTHEM Let Us Break Bread Together arr. Currie

THE MESSAGE "Come As You Are" Rev. Jerry E. Temple

*GRADUAL HYMN 628 *Eat This Bread* Berthier

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Hymnal, pages 17-18

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

All who intend to lead a Christian life are invited to the Lord's table. Feel free to come forward at the usher's direction.

During the 9:00 AM service, communicants will be served at the communion rail, whether kneeling or standing. There will be no table dismissals, so feel free to remain in prayer as long as you are led. As you depart, the ushers will guide another person to your place.

During the 11:00 AM service, there will be two stations at the communion rail, where communicants will be served while standing. After receiving communion, feel free to kneel at the rail as space becomes available.

At either service, those who desire to receive communion in their pew will be accommodated.

COMMUNION ANTHEM O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright Nicolai

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have given us your love in this holy gospel feast and have refreshed us by your Holy Spirit. Now strengthen and defend us in joyful service to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 480 *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go* St. Margaret

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*RECESSION

The Cross and Light lead us out—God's presence going with us to proclaim the Gospel. (The congregation is asked to remain standing until the procession has passed.)

*CHIMING THE TRINITY

POSTLUDE Fugue in E minor Stanley

Organ music during the month of February is taken from a series of Old English organ collections and features composers from the 16th and 17th centuries. I hope that these selections will inspire you to reflect on the many traditions of sacred music that have led God's people to experience His Love, power, majesty, and grace through the gift of music.

~ Vance Jenkins, *Sanctuary Organist*