

CALENDAR

**Sunday, February 2:**

9:30a-Discovery Class (201\*)  
 9:30a-Discipleship Journey (209)  
 9:45a-Searchers Class (202\*)  
 9:45a-Christian Friendship (206)  
 9:45a-Unity Class (213)  
 9:45a-Children’s Sunday School (CW)  
 9:45a-Youth SS (WC)  
 9:45a-Confirmation Class (WC)  
 11:00a-Traditional Worship (S)  
 12:30p-Staff Parish Relations (BCR)  
 1:00p-Shower Ministry (AC)  
 4:00p-Youth Chapel Bells (210)  
 4:30p-Tucker ACTS (C)  
 5:15p-Sanctuary Bells (210)  
 5:15p-Youth Group (WC)

**Monday, February 3:**

9:00a-Weekday Preschool  
 7:00p-Finance 101\*  
 7:00p-Tapestry Women’s Choir (MC)  
 7:00p-Harmonia (S)

**Tuesday, February 4:**

9:00a-Weekday Preschool  
 11:00a-Staff Meeting (BCR)  
 2:30p-Lectionary Bible Study (J)  
 6:30p-AA Meeting (WC)  
 7:00p-ESOL  
 7:30p-Mother/Daughter Bible Study (Sanders)

**Wednesday, February 5:**

9:00a-Weekday Preschool  
 9:30a-AA Meeting (WC)  
 5:00p-Wednesday Night Supper (AC)  
 5:30p-Cherub Choir (MC)  
 5:30p-Melody Bells (210)  
 6:00p-Covenant Bible Study (201)

**Wednesday, February 5 continued:**

6:00p-Healing Study (209)  
 6:20p-Wesley Singers (MC)  
 7:30p-Chancel Choir (MC)

**Thursday, February 6:**

9:00a-Weekday Preschool  
 6:30p-AA Meeting (WC)

**Friday, February 7:**

9:00a-Weekday Preschool  
 10:00a-Backpack Buddies (WC)

**Saturday, February 8:**

8:00a-Wesley Center Reserved  
 10:00a-Advent Hope Seventh Day Adventist Church (C, J, CW)

**Sunday, February 9:**

*Scout Sunday*  
 9:30a-Discovery Class (201\*)  
 9:30a-Discipleship Journey (209)  
 9:45a-Searchers Class (202\*)  
 9:45a-Christian Friendship (206)  
 9:45a-Unity Class (213)  
 9:45a-Children’s Sunday School (CW)  
 9:45a-Youth SS (WC)  
 9:45a-Confirmation Class (WC)  
 10:15a-Super Cereal Bowl (J)  
 11:00a-Traditional Worship (S)  
 12:30p-Girl Scouts 25078 (CW)  
 1:00p-Shower Ministry (AC)  
 2:00p-Celebration of Life Service for George Mize (S)  
 2:00p-Girl Scouts 17176 (WC)  
 4:00p-Youth Chapel Bells (210)  
 4:30p-Tucker ACTS (C)  
 5:15p-Sanctuary Bells (210)  
 5:15p-Youth Group (WC)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Pat Hicks	Donna Powell	Alice Shepard	Jo Anne Maxwell
Garnett Halstead	Olevia Thrasher	Ethel Bay	Dot Melo
Henry Wall	Shelly Thomas	Rev. Jess Walter	Cliff Walter
Mary Smith	Charles Bannister	Chuck Stevenson	Marjorie Foster
Julia Torbert	Garnett Fisher	Carole Fisher	Dawn Hines
Gloria Jones	Lisa Tink	Jim Cook	Patti Rioux
Juanita Woodward		Jenny Lindsay	Linda Wheeler

ALTAR FLOWERS

The red rosebud on the altar is placed in celebration of the birth of **Lucas Vo Mack** born January 25 to Dieu Vo and Aaron Mack.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Acolytes: Lauren Shanholtzer and William Shanholtzer  
 AV Team: Craig Coleman, Stephanie Shanholtzer, Morris Tubesing

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2025  
 Isaiah 6:1-13 | Psalm 138 | 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 | Luke 5:1-11

**Last Week’s In-Person Worship Attendance 148**  
**Last Week’s Online Worship Attendance 28**

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United Methodist Church  
**TUCKERFIRST**

February 2, 2025  
 4th Sunday after Epiphany

**Church Mission:**  
*To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

*God of love and life, speak to our hearts this day. Speak words of wisdom and faith. Open our hearts and minds to perceive your message of love, even when it’s hard to hear. Strengthen our faith to answer your call, even when we don’t feel confident or capable. Be our wisdom, our strength, and our love, that we may bring your wisdom, strength, and love to the world. Amen.*

PRELUDE Jesus Shall Reign Arr. Kelley  
Dr. Soo Jin Kim, Organist

*Please let us know you’re here and take a moment to fill out the pew pad located at the end of each row. Then pass it down to others on your row.*

WELCOME & INVOCATION **Rev. Dr. John Mattox**

Let us gather to listen deeply.  
**Word of God, speak.**  
 Let us gather with childlike faith.  
**Ageless wisdom, reveal.**  
 Word of God, speak.  
**Your servants are listening.**

\*HYMN NO. 384 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Verses 1-3

*\*Please stand as you are able*

**Vision Statement:**

*To be a church in connection with God, our community, and each other.*

(C) Chapel	(BCR) Becker Conf. Room	(AC) Activities Center
(J) Jenkin’s Hall	(WC) Wesley Center	(AR) Art Room
(S) Sanctuary	(CW) Children’s Wing	*Contact Group Leader for Zoom
(GR) Gathering Room	(MC) Music Center	Link

Reminder: Our Tucker First worship services are live-streamed each Sunday and recorded services are available on our website. To ensure the privacy of our congregation, individuals will not be identified without permission. (lyrics used by permission CCLI# 1456853)

CONFESSION & PARDON

Rev. Katie Mattox

Gracious, loving God, pour your love into our hearts and lives.  
 Bless us with such overflowing grace  
**that your love might flow within us and through us.**  
 Be patient with our impatience.  
**Calm us with your patient love in all of our encounters.**  
 Forgive us and fill us with your grace,  
**that we might extend loving forgiveness to others.**  
 In your loving name, we pray. **Amen.**

Faith, hope, and love remain.  
 But it is through the greatest of these, love,  
 that we forgive and are forgiven.  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Alleluia! Amen.**

SUNG RESPONSE *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* Verse 4

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE **Dr. Nathan Frank**

Let us speak with words of love and with gestures of peace,  
 as we share the peace of Christ with one another.  
 The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE **Rev. Dr. John Mattox**

Prayer Response: O Lord, our hope, **hear our prayer.**

OFFERTORY *Holy Manna* **Arr. Ranney**  
 Chancel Choir

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Glory to God in the Highest*

**Glory to God in the highest!**  
**Sing glory to God!**  
**Glory to God in the highest,**  
**and peace to God's people on earth!**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION **Rev. Dr. John Mattox**

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 **Kelsey Gay**

SERMON "The More Excellent Way" **Rev. Katie Mattox**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING NO. 13

*All are invited to receive. We receive communion by intinction. Take the bread, dip it into the chalice, and partake. We have a station for gluten-free elements. If you need to be served in your pew, please let the ushers know.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.**  
**Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done**  
**on earth, as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread.**  
**And forgive us our trespasses,**  
**As we forgive those who trespass against us.**  
**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*HYMN NO. 422 *Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love* Verses 1-3

\*BENEDICTION **Rev. Katie Mattox**

\*SENDING FORTH *Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love* Verse 4

SERVICE NOTES/PRAYERS

**Wednesday Night Supper (Wesley Center)**

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm; Take-Out until 7:00 pm  
 Adults \$10; Kids (12 and under) \$5; 2 and Under - Free; Family Maximum \$30  
 Please make reservations by Monday through Realm, the church website  
 or by calling the church office at 770-938-3030.  
*BBQ Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Bread and Dessert*

**Super Cereal Bowl**

In recognition of Scout Sunday and the Super Bowl, join us on **Sunday, February 9**, for the Cereal Bowl Breakfast in Jenkins Hall starting at **10:15 am!** Sample the cereal choices and vote for your favorite. Everyone is welcome to come eat and vote. The winner will be announced during the Children's Moment in Worship!

**Make A Reservation for our Preschool Share the Love Spaghetti Dinner**

The Weekday Preschool will host its annual Share The Love Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on **Wednesday, February 12**, in the Activities Center. Dinner will be served from **5:00 - 6:45 pm** in the Activities Center, dine-in or take-out. Adult plates are \$12 and kid plates are \$6. You can make a reservation using the QR Code or by calling the church office (770-938-3030). Questions? Contact Mimi Sanders at [mimi\\_sanders@tfumc.org](mailto:mimi_sanders@tfumc.org). Please come support this wonderful Tucker First UMC ministry!



**New Women's Choir**

Tapestry Women's Choir is all about building community, making connections, and having fun together. Meeting on **Monday nights at 7:00 pm** in the Music Center, this new group offers women of all ages a chance to relax, laugh, and bond while doing something creative. It's not just about singing—it's about creating a space where women can support and inspire each other, share stories, and build friendships. Whether you're looking for a weekly escape or a way to connect with others, Tapestry Women's Choir is the perfect place to unwind and enjoy the company of an amazing group of women. Questions? Contact Nathan Frank at [nfrank@tfumc.org](mailto:nfrank@tfumc.org).

**Lend a Hand with Our ESOL Kids**

Do you like to play games? Put together puzzles? How about art projects? Do you enjoy children? If you can answer "yes" to any of these questions, then here's an opportunity to have some fun. On **Tuesday nights**, the children of our ESOL students are with us from **7:00 - 8:30 pm**, and we need adults to spend time playing with them. If you can give one night per month (that's only 1 1/2 hours!), it would be great. If you can give more, that's even better! Don't miss this opportunity to have fun and serve our neighbors. Contact Leigh Andersen (404-791-4743), [lcandersen@bellsouth.net](mailto:lcandersen@bellsouth.net), and she can put you on the schedule! You must be 18 years old or older and have current Safe Sanctuary training (this can be arranged if you haven't had Safe Sanctuary in the last two years).

**What Can I Donate to the Cold Weather Shelter and Shower Ministry?**

We're asked almost daily, "What can I donate for these ministries?" Right now we need adult diapers (men's and women's—size large), hand warmers, boxes of individual hot chocolates, toilet paper, bottled water, Chapstick, hand/body wipes for backpacks, contractors bags to place under sleeping bags, and ear plugs for overnight shelter use. Contact Kay Entrekin at [kayjohnne@gmail.com](mailto:kayjohnne@gmail.com) for more information or just drop your items **Sundays, 1:00 - 4:30 pm** in the Activity Center.

**Thank You Magnolia Room**

A big thank you goes to the Magnolia Room Cafeteria, Mr. Louis Squires, and all the restaurant staff for their support of the TFUMC ministry to our unhoused neighbors. For years the restaurant has helped with donations of food for the Cold Weather Shelter and now is also supplying food for the shower ministry. Please patronize this local restaurant, and while you are there, please remember to thank them for their support of TFUMC!

**Community Walking Group**

Main Street Church Tucker (formerly known as First Baptist Church of Tucker) invites you to their community walking group. Come to the Main Street Church Tucker Gym, located at 2367 Main Street, and walk with us in a safe, weather-controlled space accompanied by soft music playing in the background. Open **Monday thru Thursday, 9:30 am - 11:00 am** (closed for major holidays).

Questions? Contact Glenda Newell, coordinator, at 678-641-6667 or [glendanewell16@gmail.com](mailto:glendanewell16@gmail.com).