

**Order of Worship**  
**December 29, 2024**  
**First Sunday after Christmas**  
**Everyone Welcome!**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Bill Draper**

**Call to Worship – “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”**      **UM Hymnal # 334**  
There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord. There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love. And for these blessings, we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

**Personal Sharing**

**\*Hymn of Praise “Joy to the World”**      **UM Hymnal # 246**  
(Verses 1, 2, and 4)

**Prayers of the People**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father, which 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**

**Offering**

**\*Doxology**

**Hymn of Preparation “Kum Ba Yah”**      **UM Hymnal # 494**  
(Verses 1, 2, 3, 5)

**Sermon – Perspectives Upon Time**

**Kerry Mitchell**

**\*Hymn of Dedication “Let There Be Peace on Earth”** **UM Hymnal # 431**

**OUR ALTAR IS ALWAYS OPEN!**

**\*Benediction and Shalom Circle**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

***Happy New Year ~ 2025***

**Pantry food item: SOUP**

**Last week’s plate offering:**      **\$3,196.00**  
**Weekly amount needed to be on budget:**      **\$1,500.00**  
**Attendance Last Sunday: 38**

*Prayers & Concerns*

Steve Chapman – health concerns

David Bryant – cancer

Jaymon Loftis - Prayers

Bonnie Flatt – Prayers Stage 3 liver cancer

Maria Rakaska – Prayers for health issues

Frances Knight – Prayers for health concerns

Ann Hart – Prayers for cancer

Stella Cain – Prayers

Kathie Bowles – Health concerns

Harold & Betty Martin – ongoing health issues

Prayers for hurricanes, floods & tornados victims

Curt Long – Prayers for health concerns

Sandy Heinrich – Prayers for brother in law, Carl Smith

Howard & Carla Khouri – Prayers for health concerns

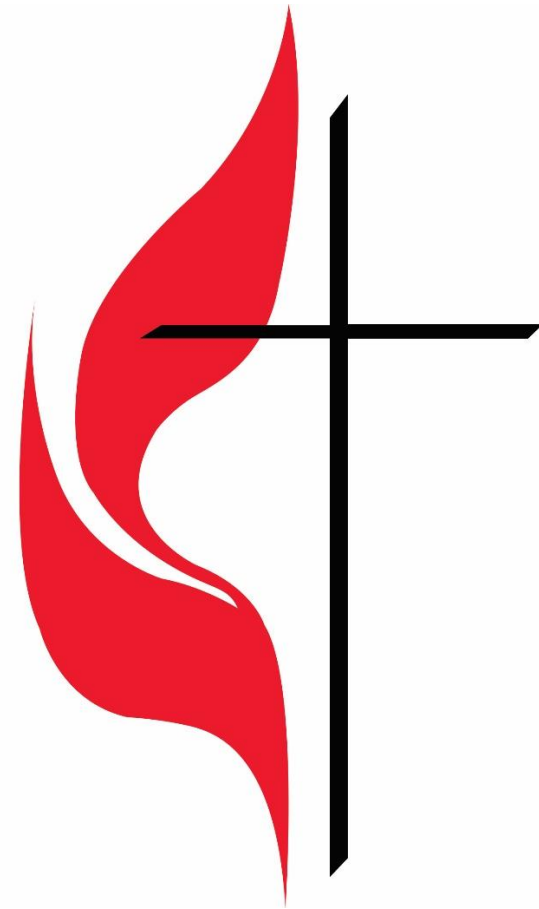
Randy Heady – Prayers for recovering health

Suzanne Stafford – Prayers for health concerns

Mike Tippit – Prayers for upcoming open-heart surgery on  
January 6

Jim & Karen Eberly – Prayers

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