

Welcome

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- I am a Visitor
- I am interested in membership
- I would like to visit with the pastor
- Please note my change of address

PRAYER REQUEST

(Place in the Offering Plate or give to the Pastor.)

I ask your prayers for:

Prayer Request:

May we send this person a note of encouragement? ___ yes ___ no

If yes, please include their address:

May we include this in the prayer list for next week's bulletin and email prayer list? _____

Person making request _____

Phone _____

GRADUATION FOR OUR REBOOT CLASS

The families who participated in the 12 week ReBoot course have extended an invitation for First Newton, especially all veterans in the church, to attend their Graduation Ceremony **Monday, December 3 in the Fellowship Hall from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.** Come celebrate our veteran families who are solidly on the road to healing! RSVP to Lynn Marilla at Lmarilla@eaglerockcamp.org so she will have a head count for refreshments. **THANK YOU!**



Nursery:

For children up to 4 years
8:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (Level 1)

Sunday School:

For children 3 years - 5th Grade from
9:30 - 10:15 a.m. on Level 1

Children's Activity Bags:

Located at the entrances of the
Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall.



Join the Youth of First Newton for worship and fun. All 6th -12th graders are welcome!

TODAY - Sunday, December 2

Youth Group meets from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 9

Lunch at 11:30 a.m., Caroling 1-3 p.m.

Sunday, December 16

Youth Christmas Party 5-8:30 p.m.
(Bring \$5 dirty Santa gift)

For more info contact Deacon Shannon
at: DeaconShannon@firstnewton.org

A LOOK AHEAD . . .

Sunday, December 9

Christmas Caroling 1-3 p.m.
(Lunch optional at 11:30 a.m.)

Sunday, December 16

ONE combined worship service at
10:30 a.m. for the Christmas Cantata

"Follow the Star, Follow the King"

FIRST CHURCH STAFF

Lara "Willis" Greene, Pastor

Shannon LeMaster-Smith, Minister of
Discipleship - Children, Youth & Outreach

Brandy Burnette, Church Administrator

Sarah Luhrs, Choir Director

John Coffey, Organist

Michael Roberts, Praise Team

Kristi Spencer, Communications

Melissa Ervin, Nursery Director

Kristi Harvell, Preschool Director

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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First Newton

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Becoming one diverse community
Worshipping Jesus passionately
Practicing unprecedented acts of hospitality

LOVING ALL PEOPLE INTO A RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST

WE GATHER

DECEMBER 2, 2018 • 10:30 A.M.

Gathering Time - *We welcome everyone! Greet your neighbors with the peace of Christ and take a moment to get to know those around you.*

Prelude - *A time to transition from the outside world to a time of worship.*

Welcome & Opportunities for Ministry

*Call to Worship

Leader: O come, O come, Emmanuel –

People: **God with us.**

Leader: Come into our brokenness;

People: **Come into our joy.**

Leader: Come into our captivity;

People: **Come into our freedom.**

Leader: Come into our fear;

People: **Come into our compassion.**

Leader: Our souls have had their fill.

People: **Have mercy upon us, O God, And come, O come, Emmanuel.**

*Hymn, No. 211

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

*Prayer of Invocation

Holy and gracious God, in this Advent season we await the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ. Light of the World, come, Come to the oppressed and broken hearted, Come to the despised and rejected, Come to all in whom the divine image is distorted. We wait in joyful expectation. Come not as a man of power, but in love and compassion, Come to the outcast – like the shepherds in the fields, Come to foreigners – like Magi watching from afar, Come to rich and poor, young and old, male and female, We wait in hopeful anticipation.

Come to bless all creation with your love, Come to bring salvation on the earth, Come to rule with justice and in peace. Come Light of the World, illuminate our path. We wait with all the peoples of the earth, Light of the World, we welcome your coming, Amen.

**Please stand in praise of God if you are able.*

