

# 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 \_\_\_\_\_



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

**Today, January 27:**

Town Hall Meeting at 5 p.m.

**Sunday, February 3:** Super Bowl Party

**Sunday, February 10:**

Youth Group 3:30-5 p.m.

**Sunday, February 17:**

Youth Group 3:30-5 p.m.

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



**Nursery:** For children up to 4 years  
8:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. on Level 1

**Sunday School:** For children 3 years - 5th

Grade from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. on Level 1.

1st-5th graders are encouraged to bring their Bibles for the new series "Learning to Use My Bible."

**Children's Worship Bags:**

Located at the entrances of the Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall.



**KIDS FOR CHRIST CONTINUES**

k4C is an after school ministry for children in Kindergarten - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade that meets on Wednesdays from 3:00-5:30 p.m. For more info, please contact Deacon Shannon.

## A LOOK AHEAD . . .

Tuesday, February 12

Church Council Meeting at 7 p.m.  
in the Gomedela Room

Thursday, February 14

JOY (Just Older Youth)  
10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

## FIRST CHURCH STAFF

Lara "Willis" Greene, Pastor

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

Brandy Burnette, Church Administrator

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

JANUARY 27, 2019 • 10:30 A.M.

### WE GATHER

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 *(based on Psalm 100)*

Leader: Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

**People: Remember that our God is the only God—the One who made us, the One who sustains us, the One whose Spirit lives within us.**

Leader: Let us enter God's house with thanksgiving;

**People: and come into God's presence with praise.**

Leader: For God is good, with unfailing love that lasts forever,

**People: and faithfulness that extends to all generations.**

\*Hymn, No. 140

**Great is Thy Faithfulness**

\*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881    The Apostles' Creed

**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.**

\*The Gloria Patri

**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.**

Anthem

**Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling**

Thompson

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

## WE HEAR & RESPOND TO THE WORD

The Pastoral Prayer

**Congregational Response:** Lord, in Your mercy, open Your hand.  
Pour out Your Spirit, so that they may be filled.

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

A Time for All Ages

Rev. Shannon LeMaster-Smith

\*Passing of the Peace Hymn, No. 369 **Blessed Assurance** (1st verse and Refrain)

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine; Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood. This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.**

Scripture

2 Timothy 4:6-22

NT pg. 213

Message

**Come Before Winter**

Rev. Lara "Willis" Greene

Service of Giving

Prayer of Dedication

\*Doxology Hymn, No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*Hymn, No. 382

**Have Thine Own Way Lord**

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response, No. 159

**Lift High the Cross**

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.  
Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign, the hosts of God in unity combine. Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore His sacred name.**

\*Chimes of the Trinity

\*Postlude

**Thank you to Today's Ministry Servants:**

Judy Beaman (Crucifer), Layla Isenhour (Acolyte), Hospitality Team #8 led by Lisa Johnson

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

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Monteen Fox, Judy Ikerd

**OUR MILITARY:** Scott Beal, Taylor Bean, Ethan Branton, Michael Howard, Todd Houtz, Tai Orange, David Parker, Camaron Sills, President Trump

## TOWN HALL MEETING & DINNER Today at 5 p.m.

The Church Council invites the congregation to our annual "state of the church" event this evening at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall as we share dinner together and celebrate the ministries of First Newton. Meat is provided by the church, please bring your favorite covered dish to share. We'll hear from our Church Council and together:

- Give Thanks for 2018
- Hear an update from the Renovation Team
- Have a Q&A for the 2019 Budget

## A WAY FORWARD INFORMATION SESSION ON TUESDAY EVENING

This Tuesday, January 29 at 6 p.m. we will have an information session led by Rev. Lory Beth Huffman in the Fellowship Hall to learn more about The Commission on a Way Forward and the three options that will be presented at the special General Conference session in February. Our time will be focused on education and awareness. You may learn more about the three options at: [www.wncumc.org/commissiononawayforwardresources](http://www.wncumc.org/commissiononawayforwardresources)



## NEW SERMON SERIES STARTS NEXT WEEK

Anger has the power to consume all aspects of our lives, distort our sense of purpose, and destroy our relationship with God. There is freedom that comes with forgiving - even if the person we need to forgive is ourselves. Throughout this 4-week series we will examine the challenges and gifts that come with learning to forgive and ask forgiveness.

## DIRECTORY UPDATES:

We are in the process of updating our Church Directory. Please contact Brandy in the Church Office with any changes to your address, phone or email. Directory updates will be available in February.



## MAKING SENSE OF THE BIBLE

Have you ever wondered how and when the Bible was written? Who decided which books made it into the scriptures and why? How literally must we read it? Is the Bible ever wrong? If so, "Making Sense of the Bible" is for you. Join Rev. Willis for this new study. Orientation starts the week of February 4. The study begins the week of February 11 and will be offered Monday evenings at 7 p.m., Tuesday mornings at 11 a.m., and Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour at 9:30 a.m. Our goal for this 7-week study is a deeper appreciation of the Bible, so that we might hear God speak through it and find His Word to be life-changing and life-giving. Cost for the book is \$10. To sign-up, complete the form below and place it in the offering plate or drop it by the church office.

NAME(S):

EMAIL:

PHONE #:

**Check which class you will attend:**

- Monday at 7 p.m.
- Tuesday at 11 a.m.
- Sunday at 9:30 a.m.