

December 9, 2018

The Grinch

I Corinthians 5:16-20

Beginning in 1966, the Grinch has become a Christmas standard. The character is often referenced by the media in instances where a holiday display is ruined by vandals or holiday burglaries are committed. And yet, the Grinch was voted the #1 Movie Christmas Character of all time. There must be something more to this Grinch. But what could it be?



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Love, Grow, Serve—What's your next step?

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering for God

Welcome and Announcements

Worship: Our Gift to God

Hymn of Praise

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Listening for God

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Prayer in Song

Today's Message

Committing to God

Song of Commitment

Words of Dismissal

Song for Traveling

Song Order for this Week

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Good Christian Friends Rejoice—R #224

Praise God— R #95

In the Bleak Midwinter —R #221

O Come Emmanuel— R #211

Amazing Grace — R #378

Go Tell It — R #251

Faith We Sing - Black—FWS

Worship & Song - Green—WS

Hymnal – R - Red

New to Epworth?

We're glad you are here and we want this place to feel like home. Stop by the Café Counter after Worship. We will gladly answer your questions and even give you a tour of the church.

Loving

We hope that you are able to experience the love of God and others here during your time at Epworth. We invite you to pray with others after the service at the Altar Rail. Our Weekly Prayer List is available at that time.

Growing

KIDS CLUB is a special time during worship that is just for our elementary age students and younger. All of this happens in our Education Wing.

Sunday School and Small Groups

Stop by the Café Counter and we can help you find the right class for you. We have classes for all ages that begin at 10:45 am plus other groups that meet during the week.

Serving

We encourage you to be involved and live your faith. Check out the opportunities to serve in the church and in our community tables by the front door on the tables or stop by the Café Counter and we can help you find the right spot to serve.

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Serving this Week

Greeters

Joe Smallwood

Suzie Cole

Ushers

Tammy & Steve Knight

Brenda & Ken Adkins

Nursery Care & More

Need help? Simply ask an usher. We have a paid nursery care worker in Room 100 every Sunday from 9am until Noon. There is also a quiet place at the back of the Sanctuary that provides space for children and adults that allows you to still see and hear the service. We also have activity bags that are available for kids.

UPCOMING EVENTS

This Week @ Epworth

Monday | Dec 10

*Celebration Circle | 1:30
Men's Covenant | 5:30PM*

Tuesday | Dec 11

*Women's Covenant Grp. | 8:30AM
Caregiver Mtg. | 9:30
Men's Small Group | 6:30PM*

Wednesday | Dec 12

*Men's Coffee Group | 9AM
Grief Support | 11:30AM
(meeting at Sahn's on Keystone)
Bells Rehearsal | 7PM
Friends of Thomas | 7:00PM*

Thursday | Dec 13

Bible Study | 6:30PM

Save the Dates

December 24

*Christmas Eve Services
Family Friendly | 6PM
Traditional | 11PM*

January 5

*Small Group Leader Meeting
9-Noon*

January 6

Confirmation Kickoff

Looking for your next step?

If you have any questions about any of our Ministries contact:

Pat Engel

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Stephen Ministry

Life got you down?

Worn out?

Need someone to listen?

You might benefit from

Stephen Ministry

Contact Pastor Rodney
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NEXT STEPS AT EPWORTH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Want to participate? Its easy 1) Complete a connection card
2) mark the box on your card that matches letter boxes correspond with events listed above. 3) add any other comments or ask questions**

A Night in Bethlehem *Join Us Tonight! | 5-7PM*

Bring the family and meander through the town of Bethlehem. Visit the shops and meet the shepherds, wise men and innkeepers. Listen to their stories of life when Christ was born. There will be entertainment for all. Parents, there will be an adult area, for refreshments and items to purchase that will make great Christmas gifts.

Christmas Eve Services *December 24 | 6PM & 11PM*

Please plan to join us for services on Christmas Eve. Early service will be family friendly.

Love: Christmas Poinsettia's

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone, forms are available in the lobby or you can contact the office. Cost is \$10 and can be taken home after the Christmas Eve service.

Grow: Devotional Booklet for Advent

Be sure to pick up a copy of our new Devotional Booklet filled with information to help make Advent meaningful at home.

Grow: Confirmation Kickoff

Calling all parents and students (6th grade and up), Plan to attend our luncheon on January 6, 2019 after Sunday School.

Grow: Couples Retreat at McCormick's *February 8—10*

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Join us at McCormick's Creek State Park Inn for a weekend of relaxation, good food, fun and discussion with other Epworth couples. Cost for the rooms are \$75 per night per couple (meals will be a separate cost)....only 4 rooms left.

Love: Annual Stewardship Pledges

There is still time to complete your annual giving pledge. Forms are available in the Gathering area. Please complete and return to the office at your earliest convenience.

Holiday Office Hours

Our offices will be closed for the Holidays, Monday, December 24th through Tuesday, January 1st and will reopen on Wednesday, January 2nd.

Note: office will be open for Counters as scheduled.

Give: Year End Giving

Reminder for tax purposes, year end gifts must be received in our office by Monday, December 31, 2018 or post marked 12/31/18 to be counted in your 2018 giving statements.

Connect: Baby Boomers *January 26, 2019*

Save the date. The Baby Boomers will have their first dinner of 2019 on Saturday, January 26th. Time and location to be determined....watch for updates!