

Our Service during today's worship celebration:

Lector: Rick Mende
Trustee: Daryl Dixon
Financial Officer: Kathy Lisle

Our Service for next Sunday's worship celebration:

Lector: Becky DuBois
Trustee: Daryl Dixon
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Welcome to Burkhead United Methodist Church!

It is our prayer that this worship service will enhance your faith so that you can have the assurance of God's eternal care. If you have been attending Burkhead Church and desire to become a member of our congregation, please speak with our pastor. We are always happy to welcome new members to our family!

It is the mission of Burkhead United Methodist Church to be an open, committed, caring community of followers of Jesus Christ who...

- *Witness to the faith by offering God's love and grace to all people*
 - *Nurture people in their growth as Christian disciples in a place of safety and refuge where everyone is accepted and respected, and*
 - *Empower persons to reach out to the world through service in mission*
- ...all to the glorification of God.***

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Rev. Julie O'Neal,
Pastor

January 3, 2021

Epiphany Sunday

Holy Communion

Prelude

Chiming of the Worship Hour

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Let us give thanks for all of God's mercies. O God, our Covenant Friend, you have been gracious to us through all the years of our lives. We thank you for your loving care, which has filled our days and brought us to this time and place.

We praise your holy name, O God.

You have given us life and reason, and set us in a world filled with your glory. You have comforted us with family and friends, and ministered to us through the hands of our sisters and brothers.

We praise your holy name, O God.

You have filled our hearts with a hunger after you, and have given us your peace. You have redeemed us, and called us to a high calling in Christ Jesus. You have given us a place in the fellowship of your Spirit and the witness of your Church.

We praise your holy name, O God.

You have been our light in darkness and a rock of strength in adversity and temptation. You have been the very Spirit of joy in our joys and the all-sufficient reward in all our labors.

We praise your holy name, O God.

You remembered us when we forgot you. You followed us even when we tried to flee from you. You met us with forgiveness when we returned to you. For all your patience and overflowing grace.

We praise your holy name, O God.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Gospel Reading Matthew 2:1-12

The Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God!

Special Music *"I Saw Three Ships"*

Epistle Lesson Ephesians 3:1-12

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon *"A Plan for the Fullness of Time"* Rev. Julie O'Neal

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer of Confession

Friends, as we gather our thoughts into quietness, we confess our sins to the One who knows us best. We know ourselves chosen, adopted as children of God. We dare to believe that you and I are part of a plan conceived before the foundation of the universe. But are we living as God's children? Are we honoring our inheritance? We know ourselves called, but we're so easily distracted. We know ourselves loved, but we balk at the cost. Come, friends, let us confess our sins to the Lord.

(silence)

Friends, our God has poured out grace upon grace, freely, in great abundance, even on you, even on me, though we never earned it and don't deserve it. In Christ we are made new through his blood; all your sins and mine crumble away. In Christ we are forgiven, signed with the Spirit, lavished with gift upon gift, released into hope to live for praise and for glory. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,...

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ,...

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty *God*, now and for ever.

Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*Benediction

*Postlude

Weekly Announcements

There is a **Trustees meeting next Monday, January 11th at 6:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. All trustees - please make plans to attend.

The **Red Cross Blood Drive** is scheduled for **Thursday, January 14th from 1:30 to 6 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Call Darlene to schedule your appointment or call 1-800-RED-CROSS or go online to www.redcrossblood.org and use Sponsor Code: Burkhead. Share this opportunity with your family and friends please.

A **Church Council meeting** will be held **Sunday, January 24th at 4 pm**. More details will be shared later this month.

LECTIONARY READINGS

Today, January 3	Next Week, January 10
Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; <u>Ephesians 3:1-12</u> ; *Matthew 2:1-12	Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 29; *Acts 19:1-7; <u>Mark 1:4-11</u>

Renewing Our Commitment

*We promise to be faithful to
 The United Methodist Church
 by participating in its ministries
 by our prayers, our presence,
 our gifts, our service
 and our witness.*



Social Distancing Guidelines:

- Keep a minimum of 6 feet from others.
- Wear a mask covering your nose, mouth and chin.
- Do not handle anything you will not personally use.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer before AND after touching items.
- Bring what you need for worship service such as your Bible, water, etc.

*Thank you for following the social distancing guidelines
 so we can continue worshipping in person!*

This Week at Burkhead UMC

Sunday, January 3rd

8:45 am - H.O.P.E. sandwich making
 10:00 am - Worship Service with Communion

Monday, January 4th

6:30 pm - Girl Scout Troop 1929

Tuesday, January 5th

7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 911

Sunday, January 10th

10:00 am - Worship Service

Remembering in Our Prayers:

Members: Our Church, Our Pastor - Rev. Julie O'Neal & family, Our Homebound Members, Becky Arnott & family, Brenda Barlow, Daniel Blumenthal, Marty Butner Covington, Betty Friddle, Ralph & Bobbie Futrell, Steve Gentry, Jean Hole, Durwood & Joni Howell, Harriet Lassing, Betty & Paul Powers, Mike Price, Brenda Raker-Gentry, Richard & Jane Rogers

Family & Friends: Bill Alexander, Kendrick, Liza & Baby Beall, David Bethune's family, Concepcion Cabrera, Mary Caldwell, Bonnie Cannon & her family, Mary Chapman, Dick Collier, Todd Craven, Daniela, Sandy Deems, Nicholas Delgado, Allan Donley & family, Anne Donley, Lori Duckworth, Eddie & family, Chad Edwards, Elijah, Susan Elliott, Connie Espenschied's family, Bonnie Flynn, Gwen, Scott Hancock's family, Pat Harris, Barbara Harward, Lisa Hay, Sarah Howell, Darinda Johnson's family, Janet Jones' family, Lynne Jones & family, Ava Joyce, Kaylee, Kitty, Richard Lisle, Betty & George Mack, Vanessa Maculaitis, Faye Marchant, Will McGraw's family, Mikel, Tony Parker, Piper, Reavis family, Steve Reyes, Gary & Zoe Ruhl, Betty Simpson & family, JohnnieRae Smith, Stucker family, Velma

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