***Service of Worship***

**NEW YEAR CONVOCATION January 5, 2025**

**WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE**

 Musical Worship Prelude/Lighting of Candles

 \*Convocation Hymn/Processional  *God of Our Fathers* #629

Welcome and Announcements

\*Time of Greeting/Striking of the Hour

\*Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: I waited patiently for the LORD; He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

**People: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.**

Installation of Officers

\*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

Children’s Story Time

**WORSHIP THROUGH MEDITATION**

\*Song of Adoration  *Firm Foundation* Well Worship

**WORSHIP THROUGH STEWARDSHIP**

**WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION**

Morning Prayer

Special Music Choir

*Children depart for Children’s Worship Time*

Scripture Colossians 3:12-16

Sermon *For the Church* Dr. Eric Burmahl

Communion (Deacons come to altar)

**WORSHIP THROUGH DEDICATION**

\*Communion Song of Invitation *Lord I Need You* Well Worship

Benediction

Choral Response

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

\*Time of Fellowship and Friendly Greeting

 \* All who are able please stand

**Welcome!** We welcome all those who worship with us today. If you are a guest, we want to give you a special welcome. **Please fill out a Guest card, located at each end of the pews, and give it to the Minister or place it in the offering plate**. If you are looking for a church home, we would count it an honor to have you make it here. A staffed **Nursery** is available for small children through the doors at the front right side of the sanctuary. We have a **Children’s Worship Time** during the “Sermon” time. Children ages 3 yrs. old through fifth grade leave during the Offertory. Children may be picked up from the McFarland Hall following Worship.

S**unday:** 10:00 **Worship Service**

1:30 **Choir practice**

**Monday:** 7:00 **Cub Scouts**

**Tuesday:** 6:00 **Girl Scouts**

 6:30 **Trustee meeting** in the Library

**Wednesday:** 7:00 **Boy Scouts**.

**Thursday**: 6:30 **Men’s Bible Study**

**On Sunday, January 19** at 9:30 there will be a Sunday School class combined with breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring breakfast casseroles and other favorites. Coffee and juice will be provided.

**On January 26 we will have a catered meal from Ron’s Barn.** Please bring drinks and desserts. At 1:00 we will start our Church Council meeting. Please bring your end-of-year report for all committees.

**There will be a Board of Deacons** meeting on Tuesday, January 21 at 6:30 in the Library. All Deacons should plan to attend to receive their caring list, and for other important business.

**The 2025 Flower Calendar** is now located in the Narthex by the bulletin board. If you would like to put flowers in the church please sign up on the calendar. If you would like something in the bulletin, please have it to Mary Griffin by the Wednesday before.

**A Memorial**  has been made to the Memorial fund in memory of **Jason Strauch** by Chris and Robert Ayers.

**The following committees** need to meet and choose a Chairperson: Stewardship and Finance, Missions, Membership, Nominating, and Scholarship. Please let Mary Griffin know as soon as possible.

**Deacon on Call:** Dawn Morris

**Next Sunday:** David Jordan

**Greeters:** Joyce Billings, Jerry & Vera Batchelor, & Lynn Brey.

**Next Sunday:** Lora & Lily Currin, Vivan Cox, & Sandra Cotton.