

Happy New Year

WELCOME TO BREVARD FIRST UNITED!

We are so glad you are here. Whether this is your regular house of Worship or if you are here with a friend for the first time, please sign the red attendance pad. If you are a first-timer, please fill out a Connect Card. Place your Connect Card in an Offering Box, or put it in a black wire basket or hand it to one of our Pastors.

PARKING UPDATES

Please park either at Brevard College Parking Lot or the Caldwell Street Parking lot. Our front spaces or spaces on Methodist Drive are available for families with small children AND/OR seniors. There are BLUE SIGNS posted around the church to help with directions. *Thank you for your patience and flexibility as College Plaza is reconstructed!*

HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS THIS WEEK:

TODAY Staff Departs for Retreat
Mon. Jan. 6 7:30AM Men's Bible Study @ Sunrise Pescados
Tues. Jan. 7 10:30AM Prayer Group in the Chapel- *NEW Time!*
Wed. Jan. 8 11:30AM Kinship Support Group in the Chapel
 Staff Returns from Retreat
 4:30PM Children's Choirs
 6:30PM Chancel Choir Practice
Thurs. Jan. 9 1:00PM College Walk Communion
Sun. Jan. 12 Mission Moment : The Prayer Shawl Group
 All 3 services will be recognizing this ministry!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mon. Jan. 13 7:30AM Men's Bible Study @ Sunrise Pescados
 9:45AM Prayer Shawl Group in the Chapel
 11:00AM Creation Care Meeting in Asbury Class
Tues. Jan. 14 12:15PM WCP Board Meeting
Thurs. Jan 16 4:00PM Praise Service Meeting
Mon. Jan. 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day, OFFICE CLOSED

TOTAL ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY 12/29

10:30AM One Worship Service = 95


Chase the Light in 2025!


On the front of your bulletin, there is a STAR to follow!


Each color of star corresponds with a different action. You are encouraged to take action over the next three weeks.


We challenge you to "Chase the Light" of the STAR! Follow the STAR as the Wise Men followed the STAR of Bethlehem to see Jesus. **"Chase the Light"** and see where and how you find Jesus!


As you follow your STAR, let us know what you find! Fill out an index card, pin it on the Bulletin Board in the Welcome Center. Match your colored star with the same color index card. **On Sunday, January 12 & 19, listen out for LIGHT & STAR reports in Worship!**

RED  Do something kind for your Beloveds.

GREEN  Do something kind for the environment.

SILVER  Do something kind for a Senior.

GOLD  Memorize a verse of Scripture.

BLUE  Volunteer for an organization! Sharing House, Bread of Life, or your child's school - there are many ways to serve - choose just one!

Brevard First
United Methodist Church

Epiphany of the Lord
Communion Sunday



SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025
11:00 IN THE MORNING
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OPENING VOLUNTARY Sarah Lee Myracle
"There's a Song in the Air" Arr. by Wilbur Held

+ CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Dr. Creasman
from **Isaiah 60:1-6** People read **bold**

Arise! Shine! Your light has come!
And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!
The brightness of God's light shines upon all the nations.
All are welcomed to the brightness of God's dawn.
God gathers us from far away and carries us.
With radiant eyes, with rejoicing hearts.
we receive God's abundant gifts.

We respond in praise with gifts, with our very selves.
We chase the light! We follow the star! We worship God!

+ HYMN RED UMH#254
"We Three Kings"

OPENING PRAYER IN UNISON Rev. Dr. Creasman
**O Lord our God, your glory shines as far as the east us from
the west, from the north to the south, so that all people may
see it and be radiant. So that every heart might thrill and
rejoice. Guide us on our baptismal journey in Christ.**
Overwhelm us with the joy of your presence! AMEN.

God is for us not against us, for that very reason, God sent
Jesus into the world-- not to condemn the world, but that the
world might be saved through him. We declare the Good News
of the Gospel:

In Jesus, the Christ, we are forgiven!
And set free to live a new life in him.
Thanks be to God!

*As the children come forward and their song is played once through,
Please pass the Peace & Forgiveness of Christ with each other!
Come together to sing.*

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Rev. Montgomery
"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" RED UMH# 206 st. 2
I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
**Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father.**
Chorus: In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

+ SCRIPTURE LESSON Rev. Dr. Creasman
Matthew 2:1-12
The Word of God, for us the People of God.
Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE Rev. Alvord
"Gifts From The Light"

TITHES AND OFFERINGS Rev. Montgomery
Please use the Offering boxes in the Narthex or
Welcome Center or scan the QR code below.



OFFERTORY Sarah Lee Myracle
"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"
Arr. by Anna Laura Page

+ DOXOLOGY RED UMH #221 st. 4
What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
if I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;
yet what I can I give him: give my heart.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
"Musical Setting B" RED UMH #18

COMMUNION MUSIC Sarah Lee Myracle
"What Child Is This?"
Setting by John Behnke

COMMUNION HYMN RED UMH #247
"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Montgomery

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.**

+ HYMN UMH# 245
"The First Noel"

+ BLESSING Rev. Montgomery


CLOSING VOLUNTARY Sarah Lee Myracle
"In Dulci Jubilo" By J.S. Bach

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

- Greeter**
- Liturgist** Pastors
- Soloist** Bart
- Crucifer** Katie Futrelle
- Acolytes** Tripp Canter (Bible)
Harper Hewitt (Candle)
- Audio** Tad Fogel
- Streaming** Steve Kiser

*Please accept our apologies for any oversights or mistakes in the program.
The responsive reading and unison prayers come from
Feasting on the Word Worship Companion.*

+ Please Rise in Body and Spirit
UMH= RED United Methodist Hymnal
URWB = BLUE Upper Room Worship Book

 **Brevard First**
has trained Stephen Ministers to help when times are hard.
Please call Marian Wolf to be matched with a caregiver.
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