

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF SALINE**  
**Worshipping Christ ... Welcoming All**

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**THE CONNECTION POINT**  
**Contemporary Worship Celebration**

January 20, 2019

11:15 am

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MINISTRY MOMENT**

Prayer Testimony

**\*SONG CELEBRATION & WELCOME**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Rev. Tom Zimmerman

*Children wishing to attend Godly Play (4 yrs.-Kindergarten) in Room N  
and W.O.W. (1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade) in Room G may do so at this time.*

**MEMORY VERSE**

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." John 1:5

**OFFERING TIME**

Please sign and pass the red attendance books that can be found on the seat at the end of the pew, then pass them back.

**SCRIPTURE**

Genesis 32:9-21

**PRAYER TIME**

Jeanette Brenner

**SCRIPTURE**

Genesis 32:22-31

**MESSAGE**

"Wrestling All Night"  
(2<sup>nd</sup> in the series *Night Time Stories*)

**\*CLOSING SONG**

**CLOSING WORDS**

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit*

CCLI#978430

# Saline First United Methodist Church

**Sunday, January 20, 2019**

**Worshipping Christ...  
Welcoming All!**



Studying God's Word  
Connecting with Christ  
Serving through Love

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*We are a Safe Sanctuary Church Protecting and caring for all God's children.*

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**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP CELEBRATION**

**January 20, 2019**

**9:00 am**

*Please set your cell phone to mute or vibrate.*

**Prelude**  
**Ringling of the Church Bell**

**Announcements**

**Ministry Moment**                      Prayer Testimony

**Bringing in the Light**    Tommy Hafer and Robert Gill

**\*Processional Hymn**                      *O Worship the King*    #73

**Welcome**    Doug VerWoert

**Children's Message**    Rev. Tom Zimmerman  
     Sung Congregational Response  
     *Children wishing to attend Godly Play (4 yrs.–Kindergarten) in Room N*  
     *and W.O.W. (1<sup>st</sup>–4<sup>th</sup> grade) in Room G may do so at this time.*

**Memory Verse**    John 1:5  
     "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

**Offertory Anthem**    *Our Hope Alone Is You*    Martin

**\*Doxology**    #95

**\*Offertory Prayer**  
 We remember and give thanks, O God, as You provide for all our needs. Lead us now that we may be generous and inspire generosity in others. And we pray that You would use these gifts for Your kingdom. Amen.

**\*Hymn**    *It's Me, It's Me, O Lord*    #352

**Scripture**    Genesis 32:9–21    O.T. Page 29

**Prayer Concerns and Celebrations**    Jeanette Brenner

**Prayers of the People**

**2018 Tax Law Changes**—Please be aware of tax law changes which impact standard deduction levels starting in 2018 through 2025. Check with your financial adviser for further information on how this might affect your charitable contribution deduction.

**Contribute to FUMC Saline Using TEXT!** Make a contribution to the FUMC Saline General Fund via text! Send a text message to 734-869-8052 with the amount you'd like to contribute (example: 25).

**Columbarium Niches Available**—Niches are available in our church columbarium. A columbarium is an answer for the proper disposition and identification of the earthly remains of those who have shared the fellowship of our church family. This is to be the place especially for those who love First United Methodist Church of Saline and have a sense of closeness to it. Our columbarium includes 144 granite-faced, single-front niches and is located to the north of the church building in the Prayer Garden. Theologically, cremation is not a modern concept and in no way discounts the Christian understanding of resurrection of the body and life everlasting. It simply speeds the natural process by which the body decomposes in burial. Cremation does not change God's plan for our earthly bodies. As far as the Christian Faith is concerned, what is important is that the remains are treated with respect and dignity. The fee paid upon execution of the Columbarium Agreement covers the rights of inurnment of cremated remains, opening and closing of the niche during inurnment, and perpetual care of the columbarium and prayer garden. Cremation costs, funeral home charges, cost for the urn(s), and engraving fees are not included. The fee of \$2,000 covers the cost of a niche for one or two persons. The purchaser may select his/her niche location, based on availability. Once finalized, niche assignment cannot be changed. If you are interested in more information please contact the church office and a member of the Columbarium Team will contact you. Call 734-429-4730 or email [office@fumc-saline.org](mailto:office@fumc-saline.org); put "Columbarium Information" on the subject line.

**New Adult Ministry Class—State of the Church**—As a follow up to our "State of the Church" gathering on January 15, we are offering a 6-week class beginning Tuesday, February 5, concerning paragraphs in The Book of Discipline concerning human sexuality that will be voted on at the special-called General Conference February 23-26. We will study and discuss the book *United Methodists Divided* by Dale McConkey. The class will be held 7:00–8:00 pm, and will be facilitated by pastors Tom Zimmerman and Jim Tuttle. Please sign up at the Opportunity Wall.

**2019 General Conference Delegates**—We are in the process of collecting contact information for our Michigan Conference delegates to the United Methodist Church 2019 General Conference, in case you would like to contact them. A list will be at the Opportunity Wall.

**Lake Louise Mission Trip**—Join Pastor Tom and a group of FUMC Saline volunteers on the annual mission trip for the Boyne Country Service Project, June 10–14. We will be staying at the UMC camp at Lake Louise. You may attend only half the week if you wish. Please indicate this on the sign up at the Opportunity Wall. Any questions, please see Pastor Tom.

**South Neighborhood Group Wine & Cheese Party**—Come in out of the cold and join some neighborhood fun! Cheryl Schlaff is hosting a wine and cheese party for our group on Saturday, January 26, 1:00–3:30 pm (snow date February 2). South Neighborhood group friends are invited to bring a favorite wine, beer, cider or non-alcoholic beverage and an appetizer or sweet to share. Cheryl will have pop available. If possible, let Cheryl know you are coming, but don't let that stop you from joining the group. Phone: 734-417-3951, email: [Cheryla311@comcast.net](mailto:Cheryla311@comcast.net), or sign up at the Opportunity Wall.

## PRAYERS

**Prayer Concerns**—Tanner Bean and family, Dan Kolander family, Stimic family, Patti Henes, Gary Held, Grace Popa, Maggie Greer, Bill Hallock, a family who tragically lost 11 year old son/grandson, children without parents.

**Continue to Pray for**—Mark Thorpe, Caleb Nadig, Mary Jo Cox, Julie O’Keefe, Gayle Rogers, Bill Doren, Ina May Doub, Jeanne Cogger, Charolette Becker, Mary Dinnan, Paulette Suchy, Wanda Beard, Todd Nash, Steven Baker.

**Sympathies**—The family of Shirley Slagle on her passing, the Schoenfeldt family on the passing of Dick’s uncle, Millie and Chuck Webster on the passing of their brother in law, Betty Lund on her husband’s passing, the family of Oneta Coffey on her passing.

**Praises**—Dave Hares, Kerri Morrow’s and Patti Henes’ successful surgeries, Todd Nash’s successful liver transplant. Charolette Becker’s continuing recovery.

**Military**—Erik Maddock, J.T. St. Dennis, Abby Jenks.

**Special Living**—Florence Belt (Texas); Norma Jean West, Jim Bowker, Lysle Smith (Linden Square); Elaine Carter, Naomi Woods (EVH); Pat Boisvert (Brecon Memory); Betty Sellers (Brecon); Ina May Doub, Nancy Adsit (StoryPoint).

**Prayer Notes:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Condolences**—Sadly, our friend Shirley Slagle passed away on January 6. Per Shirley’s wishes, there will not be a public funeral. If you’d like to send a card to Shirley’s sons, please send it to:

Slagle Family  
460 W. Russell St., Apt 303  
Saline, MI 48176-1161

If you’d like to make a donation to Shirley’s favorite charity in her memory, please send it to:

Samaritan’s Purse  
PO Box 3000  
Boone, NC 28607

**Large Print Bibles**, hymnals and bulletins are available from the ushers.

**Assisted Listening Devices** are available from an usher. These devices can be used alone like a portable radio or with T-coil compatible hearing aids.

**Live Streaming** of the worship services is available. Go to the church website and select Join Us Online, [www.fumc-saline.org](http://www.fumc-saline.org).

## 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.

**Scripture** Genesis 32: 22–31 O.T. Page 30

**Sermon** “Wrestling All Night” Rev. Tom Zimmerman  
(2<sup>nd</sup> in the series *Night Time Stories*)

**\*Closing Hymn** *Make Me a Captive, Lord* #421

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit* CCLI#978430

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## Welcome!

If you have recently begun to worship with us please pick up a welcome gift at the welcome center in the lobby. Please join us for coffee in Christler Hall between services, or visit a Sunday School Class.

**Adult Sunday School Classes:**

**Room C**—Bible study and discussion on the book of Jeremiah

**Room H**—Parenting class: *The Sticky Faith Guide for Your Family: Over 100 Practical and Tested Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in Kids*

**Room E**—Ray Vanderlaan Video Series—An in-depth study of the early Christian Church in historical Biblical context.

**Room F**—Adult Ministry Rotation Station (see article for details)

**Room M**—Overcoming Mental Health Challenges

For children attending worship with their family, there are **Worship Bags and Activity Clipboards** in the back of the sanctuary with age appropriate quiet activities. Please return the bags and clipboards after the service.

**Childcare** is available for children birth to 3 years in Room J/Nursery in the Education Wing.

**Sensory Bags** are available for use during worship services for those who might find them helpful. They contain noise cancelling headphones, weighted lap pads and appropriate manipulatives. Please see an usher for assistance and direction.

**Our Oasis Room** is an extension of our worship space where parents with babies and young children, individuals with disabilities, and other unique circumstances can remain a part of our worship services in a separate space.

**Birthdays This Week** ~ Jeremy Bebber, 1/20; Ava Bell, Caryn Datson, Jacob Hieber, 1/22; Jordan Igoe, Angela Schmidt, 1/23; Kendra Aungst, 1/24; Colton Cundiff, Sarah Stockton, Jill Trokey, 1/25; Paul W. Chandler, Anita Drake, Lindy Fekety, Karen Medley, Mary Ellen Pickens, Ed Rodenhouse, Erica Webb, 1/26.

**Anniversaries This Week** ~ Rob & Jennifer Fowler, 1/20; Doug & Jeanne Cogger, 1/24.

**Flowers** ~ The flowers on the altar are from Bonnie Milkey-Riggs in memory of her father, C.C. Hartman.

**Due Dates** ~ The closing date for submission of articles for the February newsletter is noon Tuesday, January 22. Please submit articles for the bulletin or narthex screens by noon on Wednesdays.

**Today is Human Relations Sunday**—The Human Relations day churchwide offering supports neighborhood ministries through Community Developers, community advocacy in the United States and Puerto Rico through United Methodist Voluntary Services, and work with at-risk youth through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program. An offering envelope is in your bulletin.

**Feed My Sheep**—Donations of food and supplies are needed to provide the homeless meal at First Baptist Church in Ann Arbor on Tuesday, January 29. Please sign up at the Opportunity Wall. *“Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.” Matthew 25:40*

**Adult Ministry Rotation Station**—The Adult ministry committee is excited to offer a new offering that will run through May. We will be using a rotation schedule – each Sunday will focus on a different topic. Here’s how it works:

First Sundays (February 3): Bible 101—facilitated by Kristi Cundiff. Don’t know a single name of a book in the bible? That’s ok, this course will focus on the very basics of the Bible.

Second Sundays (February 10): Spiritual Gifts—facilitated by Doug VerWoert. Interested in learning more about your spiritual gifts? This class will help you discover your unique gifts.

Third Sundays (January 20): Next Steps—facilitated by Jeanette Brenner. Learn more about our church, meet leaders in our church, and become familiar with United Methodist beliefs.

Fourth Sundays (January 27): Grandparenting: Loving our Children’s Children—facilitated by Jim Tuttle & Tom Zimmerman. Grandparents serve many roles, not the least of which is sharing our faith with our grandchildren. Let’s talk about that role.

Because there is a different focus each week, you may choose to come to one and not another.

**Overcoming Mental Health Challenges**—Join us for this adult Sunday school class, through February 3, 2019, in room M. Mental health disorders are common. In fact, nearly 1 in 5 (19%) U.S. adults experience some form of mental illness in a given year, according to the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). Overcoming Mental Health Challenges is a 4-week Sunday school class designed to teach about mental health disorders and explore the faith community’s response. We will grapple with topics such as: What is mental illness? What should you do if someone seems suicidal? The caregiving role—how do I take care of myself, too? What is a co-existing illness such as substance use disorder? What are the local resources to help? How would Christ have us respond as an individual and as a faith community? This class is offered by NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Washtenaw County. Facilitators Darlene Wetzel and Bob Nassauer are trained NAMI presenters. Questions? Call Darlene Wetzel, 734-945-2416.

**UMW News**—Esther Circle will meet at the home of Pat Peterson at noon on February 4.

**Comfort Cases**—Please help to support Foster Children in our area by giving them a sense of dignity, as they transition to a very scary time in their lives. We are asking for donations of **NEW PJ’s (especially boys sizes Youth M up to Adult XL)**, coloring books/crayons, books, roll blankets, stuff animals, toiletries and duffle bags. The complete list can be found on the opportunity wall, along with the donation bins. Any questions please contact Karin Haynes 818-862-1146.

**Contribution Statements**—To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions, do not file your 2018 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. Statements will be mailed on or before January 30, 2019.

**Medical Closet**—We have some medical equipment available to borrow, including crutches, walkers, wheel chairs, raised commode seats, shower seats, and even a knee wheeler. Please contact the church office, 734-429-4730.

### **Youth Ministry News—The Underground**

Jay Leadley, Director of Youth & Family Ministries, [jay@fumc-saline.org](mailto:jay@fumc-saline.org), 734-429-4730

Visit the Youth Ministry pages on the church website or pick up a calendar at the **Children, Youth & Family table** in the narthex.

**Note that there is no first year confirmation, Worship Team or Underground today due to the SpringHill retreat.**

#### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS:**

**Sunday School**—Sundays at 10:10 am in the Underground

**Worship Team**—Sundays at 4:30 pm

**Worship Workshop**—Monday nights 7:30–9:00 pm

**The Underground**—For 7<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> Graders, Sunday Nights, 5:30–8:00 pm, dinner included!

**Before School Bible Study**—Fridays, 6:30 am, at Jay’s, breakfast and rides to school

### **Children and Family Ministry News**

#### **Sunday Mornings from 10:10–11:10 am**

TOTS IN TRAINING – Bible training on Sundays for 2 and 3 year olds

CROSS TRAINING – Hands on Bible Workshops for Age 4 through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. We are presently starting our studies of the New Testament and the story of young Jesus in the Temple.

SUBMERGE – Our 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders get *SUBMERGED into God’s word in THE DEN*

#### **Sunday Morning Worship Offerings**

GODLY PLAY – for 4 years through Kindergarten after children’s message

WOW – WORSHIP OUR WAY – for 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Grades after children’s message.

#### **Midweek Offerings – Wednesdays–Next session begins January 23**

Registration is open for session 3 of Brick by Brick and Truthquest, see website homepage to register.

BRICK BY BRICK – LEGO based bible lessons for K – 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:00–5:30 pm.

TRUTHQUEST– 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Graders on a quest to dig deeper into God’s Word from 3:00–5:30 pm.

#### **Monthly Offerings**

DEN 56 – All 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us at our next DEN 56 on Friday, January 25. More information to come.

**For more information on the items above**, visit the Growing Up In Christ pages on our church website, visit our Children, Youth & Family table in the narthex, or contact Linda Klepaczyk, Director of Children & Family Ministries at [lindak@fumc-saline.org](mailto:lindak@fumc-saline.org) or 734-646-7987.