



We are delighted you are here!

If you would like to join our church family this morning, please come forward at the end of the service. For more information about joining, please contact Rev. Lucas Tribble at ltribble@fumcmontgomery.org.

LITURGICAL SEASON: EPIPHANY

Epiphany marks the end of the Christmas season or Christmastide and celebrates the incarnation and baptism of Christ. The liturgical color for Epiphany Day is white.

IN MEMORY OF

Robert George Rocheleau III
Respite Ministry: *Dr. and Mrs. Mike Weinrib*

Shirley Patterson Sahlie
Building Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Bell*

Harold Bowman Nicrosi
Building Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Bell*

Betty Murray
Respite Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Craig G. Young, the Tower Class, Lee Munroe, Kim Munroe*

Caro Louise Jehle
Memorial Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Rousso, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tyson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Coker, Dr. and Mrs. Bob Beshear; Building Fund: Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Norman*

Harvey E. "Sonny" Cauthen Jr.
Memorial Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Ham Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Williams*

Martha Daughtry Dunn
Memorial Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Stan Graves*

Marilyn Perkins Zeigler
Music Ministry: *David M. Zeigler*

Price McLemore
Memorial Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Laurens Pierce III*

Cecile Morgan Webb
Memorial Fund: *Mrs. Sid Coleman, the Tower Class, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinett, Mr. and Mrs. William Gregory, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Mazyck, Mrs. Chrys Robbins*

Eileene Griffith
Building Fund: *Mrs. Laura Sullivan;*
Memorial Fund: *Sue Loftis*

IN HONOR OF

Daphne, Laura and Stephanie
Respite Ministry: *Dr. and Mrs. Bill Sternenberg*

Kevin Blanton
Respite Ministry: *Kate Blanton*

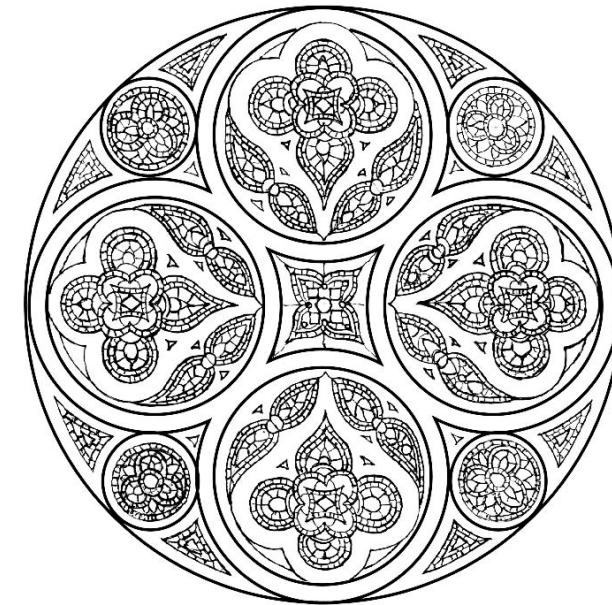
Jimmy and Tammy Holcomb
New Directions Sunday School: *Mr. and Mrs. Gary Partridge*

AROUND THE CONGREGATION

IN MEMORIAM
H. E. "Sonny" Cauthen Jr.
December 28, 2019

SYMPATHY
To Chris and Katherine Hert and their family upon the death of Chris' father, *Thomas O. Hert*

Wednesday Night Chapel and Holy Communion | January 8
Rev. Lucas S. Tribble | 5:30 p.m. | Duffey Chapel



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

a Stephen Ministry Congregation

JANUARY 5, 2020
EPIPHANY SUNDAY

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

Reverend Jay D. Cooper
Senior Minister

Reverend Lucas S. Tribble
Associate Minister

Reverend Gillian L. Walters
Associate Minister

Reverend G. Charles Kendall
Associate Minister

Reverend Ben A. McDavid
Associate Minister

Dr. James H. Seay
Director of Music

Dr. Karl K. Stegall
Pastor Emeritus

Bishop David W. Graves
Bishop Alabama-West Florida
Conference

Dr. Joshua H. Coble
Organist/Assistant Director of Music

Reverend R. Allen Newton
District Superintendent
Montgomery-Prattville District

If you are in need of a minister after hours or on weekends, please contact pastoralcare@fumcmontgomery.org.

MORNING WORSHIP

LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

Prelude *Preamble* **Louis Vierne**

Welcome and Parish Notices **Rev. Jay D. Cooper**

Chiming of the Trinity
The three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Introit *Light Dawns for the Righteous* **arr. Hal Hopson**

***Processional Hymn** *We Three Kings* **254**

***Call to Worship** **Rev. Lucas S. Tribble**
Leader: Arise, shine; for Christ's light has come!
People: And the glory of the Lord has risen upon us.
Leader: Nations shall come to the light,
People: And kings to the brightness of the dawn!

***Invocation**
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray together.
All: Bright Morning Star, your light has come, and the birth of Jesus has overwhelmed us with joy. Like the magi of long ago, may we be drawn to you and offer you such gifts as we are able. Amen.

(11:00) **Sacrament of Baptism** **Thomas Martin Tyson III**
Son of Thomas and Bradshaw Tyson

Concerns of a Caring Fellowship **Dr. C. Jason Borders**

Invitation to Communion
Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sins and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession and Pardon
People: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us, for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
All: Glory to God. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**
Now as forgiven people, let us stand and offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

Offertory *There Shall a Star from CHRISTUS* **Felix Mendelssohn**
Cathedral Choir
There shall a Star come out of Jacob, and a sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and dash in pieces princes and nations. How brightly beams the morning star! What sudden radiance from afar with light and comfort glowing! Thy Word, O Lord, radiance darting, truth imparting, gives salvation; Thine be praise and adoration!

***Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings**

Doxology **95**
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Children's Minute **Rev. Gillian L. Walters**
Children will remain in worship on first Sundays of the month to participate in Holy Communion with their church family.

***Gospel Lesson** **Matthew 2:1-12**
pg. 1-2, New Testament

Sermon *Interrupted: By a Star, a Baby, and Foreigners* **Rev. Jay D. Cooper**

Procession of the Elements

The Great Thanksgiving **24**

Music During Communion **John Jacob Niles**
What Songs Were Sung?
James Seay, Tenor
Star Child **FWS 2095**
Cathedral Choir
Love Came Down at Christmas **242**
Away in a Manger **217**

Invitation to Christian Discipleship
Those desiring to unite with the church, either by profession of faith or by transfer of membership, are invited to join the ministers at the chancel rail during the singing of the first stanza of the Hymn of Invitation.

***Hymn of Invitation** *What Child is This* **219**

***Benediction** **Rev. Ben A. McDavid**

***Benediction Response** *What Sweeter Music* **arr. John Rutter**

***Postlude** *Allegro maestoso* **Felix Mendelssohn**

After the service, please turn and greet those nearest you.

**Please stand as you are able.*

The chancel arrangement is given to the glory of God by the Worship Committee and the Flower Guild.

The font flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Thomas Martin Tyson III by his grandparents, Fred and Florence Tyson.