

THE FLOWERS on the altar are given by Jacqueline Leonard in memory of her husband, Theodore and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P.J. Leonard. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard were charter members of the church.

USHERS: J.W. Bates, Ramona Yarbrough, Denise Durham, and Sylvia Walser

PLATE ATTENDANT: Buddy Lohr

ACOLYTES: Laura and Katarina Strenk

GREETERS: James Atkinson and Marguerite Leonard

NURSERY (Birth through 6 years-old): Heidi and Ron Hutcheson

PRAYER CONCERNS: Ronnie Durham, Don Leonard, John Rollins, Elmer Morgan, Willie Ruth Leonard, Sadie Bailey, Arlene Swing, Margaret Trexler, Jacqueline Leonard, Frances Leonard, Joel Reece, Juanita and Henry Beck, Ernestine and Henry Kennedy, Ernie Bonner, Paul Stevens (Lisa Nelson's Cousin), Van "Buster" Conrad (Gray Family), and George Horner (Vicky Gray's Father). Please remember our men and women serving in the Armed Forces. To place a name on the prayer chain, please call Adena Wall at 249-1904 or the church office.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

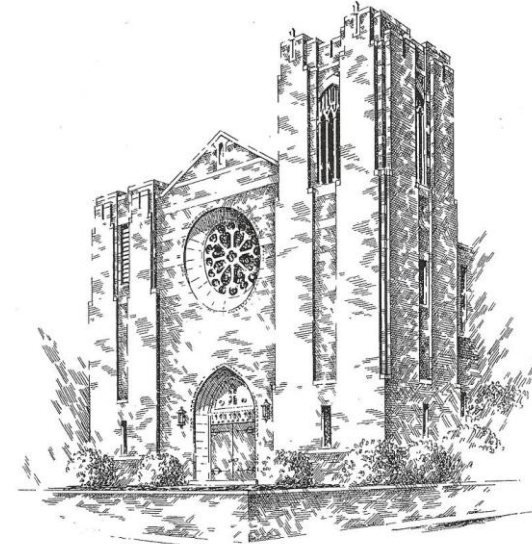
Sunday, January 17	9:45 a.m. ---SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR EVERYONE 11:00 a.m. ---WORSHIP SERVICE {CHURCH ANNIVERSARY}
Monday, January 18	1:00 p.m. ---Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade 7:00 p.m. ---Genealogical Society Meeting {Fellowship Hall} 5:30 p.m. ---Scrap Book/Craft Night {Parlor}
Tuesday, January 19	7:00 p.m. ---WOMEN'S LIFE FELLOWSHIP MEETING {Parlor} 7:00 p.m. ---KIDS' CLUB {Upstairs, Music Room}
Wednesday, January 20	6:30 p.m. ---Pastoral Search Committee {Parlor} 6:30 p.m. ---Bell Choir Practice 7:15 p.m. ---Adult Choir Practice
Thursday, January 21	5:30 p.m. ---YOGA Class 6:00 p.m. ---MEN'S BROTHERHOOD MTG {Fellowship Hall} 7:15 p.m. ---LIVING THE QUESTIONS STUDY {Fellowship Hall}
Sunday, January 24	9:45 a.m. ---SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR EVERYONE 11:00 a.m. ---WORSHIP SERVICE AND CHILDREN'S CHURCH 6 - 8 p.m. ---Community Youth Group Meeting {Fellowship Hall}

January 10, 2010	Attendance (Worship 122)	Offering Received \$2,778.00
January 11, 2009	Attendance (Worship 123)	Needed each Sunday to meet Budget \$5,581.00

Church Staff

Reverend Walter Patten, Ph.D., Intentional Interim Minister	(Cell #336-420-2728 Home #336-632-1985)
Cathy Waitman, Interim Director of Christian Education	Paul Freeman, Choir Director
Lee Ann Peele, Organist	Paula Lopp, Administrative Asst

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Sunday, January 17, 2010

Service of Divine Worship

Second Sunday After Epiphany

Liturgist: Rev. June Grubb

January 17, 2010

Preparation for Worship

Prelude "Trumpet Tune" German
*Chimes Sounding the Hour
*Time of Greeting and Announcements
Choral Call to Worship
Solemn Declaration and Choral Amen

Praise to God

*Hymn "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing" No. 181
*Responsive Call to Worship
Liturgist: See the streams of living waters, springing from eternal Love,
People: Well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove:
Liturgist: Who can faint, while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage;
People: Grace, which like the Lord the Giver, never fails from age to age?
*Gloria Patri
Invocation

Confession of Sin

Call to Confession
Unison Prayer for the Confession of Sin (Based on I Corinthians 12: 1-11) Liturgist
Gracious God, the source of all spiritual gifts, help us to discern your presence in the past and present gifts of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Help us to remember that though there are indeed varieties of services and of gifts, you are the same Lord that inspires and quickens them all. Forgive us should we ever become afflicted with envy or jealousy of the gifts and achievements of others, and help us to hold in proper esteem those key people who have led our church in the past, even as we approach our 109th year one expression of the Body of Christ in this community. As we have depended upon great varieties of gifts in the past, so shall we do so now as First Reformed United Church of Christ faces a new and exciting present and future. Forgive us, Lord, should we be tempted to shrink from the challenges of change and adjustment that lay before us, forgiving us as well for depending too much on others to

do those very things for which we have gifts ourselves. Bind us together as one in Christ, as only you can, that we may face the future with the very wisdom and commitment of Christ Himself; in His name we pray. Amen.

The Kyrie and Assurance of Pardon - - - Amen Sung

Witness of Faith

The Pastoral Prayer
Historical Moment: Music and First Reformed United Church of Christ Marguerite Leonard
Anthem "Offertory" Beck

Proclamation of the Word

The New Testament Reading I Corinthians 12:1-11 {Page #1046 of Pew Bible}
The Morning Anniversary Messages **GOD WITH US** Reverend Grubb,
Walter Hoffman and Reverend Patten

Response Through Dedication

Invitation to Give
Giving of Tithes and Offerings
The Offertory
*The Doxology and Offertory Prayer

Preparation for Obedience in the World

*Hymn "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" No. 323
*Responsive Call to Dedication
Liturgist: And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?"
People: Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."
*The Benediction
*Postlude "Festival" Handel
*Those who are able please stand

WE WELCOME VISITORS who are attending our service of worship today. **EVERYONE** is requested to sign the attendance pad found at the end of each pew. We request visitors also to note their addresses and telephone numbers.

Living the Questions Study Series

Our second session in the “Living the Questions” series “Reclaiming the World” will be at **7:15 p.m., January 21, 2010** in our Educational Building Fellowship Hall. Remaining lesson topics include:

- January 21, 2010 “The Prophetic Jesus”
- January 28, 2010 “Evil, Suffering and A God of Love”
- February 4, 2010 “The Myth of Redemptive Violence”
- February 11, 2010 “Practicing Resurrection”
- February 18, 2010 “Debunking the Rapture”
- February 25, 2010 “Reclaiming the World”

As before, we will use a stimulating DVD to prompt our discussions, along with lesson handouts for personal work. Delicious snacks will be on hand as well. See you there!

Catered Lunch and Congregational Meeting



On **Sunday, February 7th** we will share a catered lunch immediately following the worship service. Reservations need to be made as soon as possible. Please fill out the reservation form below. DEADLINE for signup is Tuesday, February 2nd.

Following lunch the annual business meeting of First Reformed United Church of Christ congregation will be held. Board chairpersons and treasurers will give lively and creative reports. All members are encouraged to be a part of this important process in the life of our church.



CATERED LUNCH RESERVATION

Reservations need to be made by **Tuesday, February 2nd**. Please fill out the registration form and drop it in the offering plate or call the church office at 248-2617. Donations for the meal will be accepted at the door.

Please register - - -

Name: _____

Number: _____

Urgent Need - Haiti

We have received a plea from the United Church of Christ who has launched an emergency appeal for Haiti after the major earthquake that struck there earlier this week.

The need is massive. If you would like to make a donation, please designate in the memo line on your check - “Haiti” or place a cash offering in a pew envelope and designate “Haiti”. All donations will be forwarded to a special “OGHS – Haiti Earthquake Relief” fund. Thank you.

Touching Davidson County With Love

First Reformed UCC is once again participating in the Touching Davidson County With Love project, which will be held **May 1st**. Please let **Edgar Miller** know if you are interested in being a project manager or volunteer at 336-899-0660 or edgarmiller@earthlink.net.

The TDCWL committee, made up of individuals from the area churches, is meeting regularly and has requested that we provide the number of project managers and volunteers at the March meeting. This information will be helpful in determining the number of projects that can be accepted. **Please check your calendars and contact Edgar as soon as possible.**

Souper Bowl Sunday

Please come prepared to “play” in the **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING** Sunday, February 7, 2010. Members will be invited to give \$1 each on the way out of worship on the morning of the NFL Super Bowl. Every dollar donated at First Reformed UCC will be sent directly to Crisis Ministry of Lexington. Let’s join the effort and make a difference in our community.



Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday celebrates the life and legacy of a man who brought hope and healing to America. We commemorate as well the timeless values he taught us through his example -- the values of courage, truth, justice, compassion, dignity, humility and service that so radiantly defined Dr. King's character and empowered his leadership. On this holiday, we commemorate the universal, unconditional love, forgiveness and nonviolence that empowered his revolutionary spirit. Rev. Patten invites as many of you as can do so to walk with him in the 1 p.m. MLK, Jr. parade, tomorrow, beginning at Arby's.