

THIS WEEK AT FIRST UMC!

Thur, Dec 25	CHRISTMAS DAY, OFFICE CLOSED
Fri, Dec 26	Womens' Card Group, 11:30 am, Parlor
Fri, Dec 26	Narcotics Anonymous, 7 pm
Sat, Dec 27	Traditional Service, 5 pm
Sun, Dec 28	Kids' Christmas Impromptu Christmas Pageant, 10 am

SAVE THE DATES

Jan 7-Feb 25	Confirmation Class, Wednesdays, 6 pm
January 11	New Worship 11am, Praise Service 9:30am begins
January 17	Winter Jam, Leave Here 3:45 pm, The Family Arena
January 18	New Member Luncheon, Noon
January 20	Church Council Meeting, 6:30, Parlor
January 25	Faith Partners Meeting, Noon, Fellowship Hall
March 15	Trivia Night, 4pm

Ways to Give @ First UMC

IN WORSHIP - Place your giving and Connect Card in the wooden boxes at the sanctuary entrances.

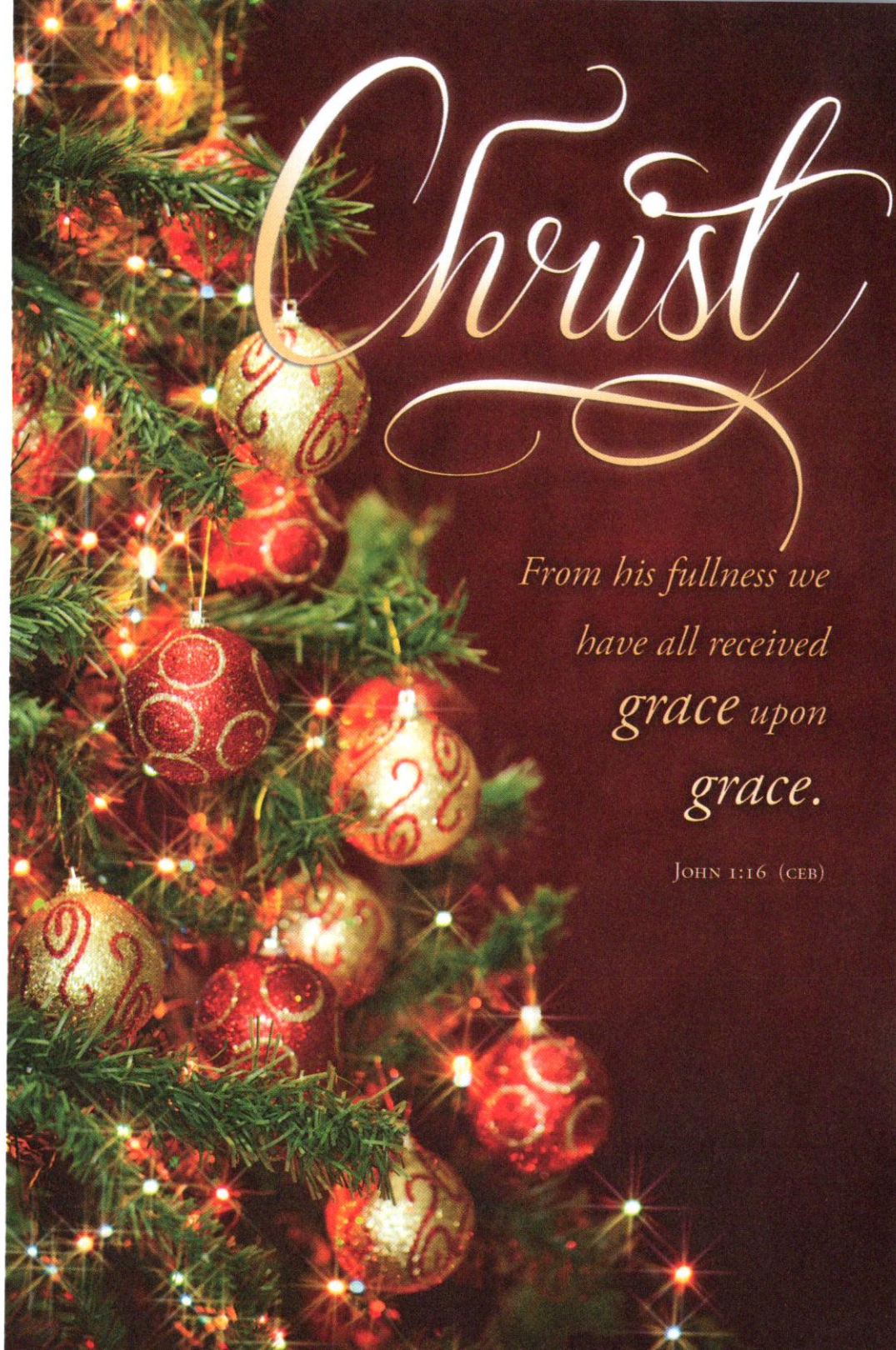
Use the **Tithe.ly** App for debit/credit card

AUTO DRAW - Set up an auto pay from your checking account or contact our office for help with electronic giving through Vanco.



MAIL TO - 113 Grand Avenue, Festus, MO 63028

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Luke 2:1-21

¹ In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. ² (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³ And everyone went to their own town to register.

⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."

¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told. ²¹ On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise the child, he was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived.

First United Methodist Church of Festus/Crystal City

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Rev. Dr. Tish Green, Lead Pastor

Kid's Christmas Pageant & Sing-a long Just show up!

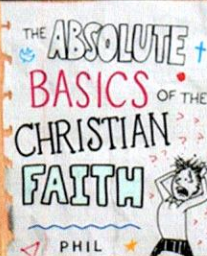


**Sunday
Dec 28
10am**

Confirmation!

6th-12th Grades
Jan 7 - Feb 25
Wednesdays
Youth 6pm

Discover who God is
and who God
created you to be!



NEW WORSHIP

Launches 1/11
11:00am

Praise Service at 9:30am



WINTER 2023 JAM
\$15 DONATION AT THE DOOR
YOUTH COST COVERED!
JANUARY 17, 2026
ST. LOUIS, MO
THE FAMILY ARENA
MEET @ CHURCH @ 3:45PM.
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CHRIS TOMLIN, MATTHEW WEST, KATY NICHOLE, HULVEY, DISCIPLE, EMERSON DAY, NEWSONG, J. TAME BLACK, MCGILVER

New Members United

Interested in membership?
Join Pastor Tish for lunch & conversation.
Sign up on your Connect Card.

Sun, Jan 18, After Worship

**JOY, UNITY
AND MAKING A
Difference**

Shared Vision 2026+

SNOW SCHEDULE NEWS

- * Facebook
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KIDS AT FIRST UMC. Let the little children come! Fun and meaningful **Kids Ministry** is Provided for K-5th grade during our Sunday worship services. The children begin in the sanctuary for opening worship and then head to their classrooms. **Nursery & Pre-K Care** is also provided Sundays during worship in Room 211. **The Wiggle Room.** We have a comfortable wiggle room in the back of the sanctuary with rocking chairs, play space, and a clear view of worship. You are welcome to utilize this space with your active toddler or a bubbly newborn.