



FREE  
Wednesday  
Night  
Dinner

6PM

ALL ARE INVITED!



COFFEE  
WITH THE  
PASTOR

SUNDAY JANUARY 19, 2025 | 9:00AM

Are you interested in learning more about our church? Do you want to discover the next steps for joining and serving? Join Rev. Antonio for coffee every third Sunday at 9:00 AM in the FLC Choir Room/Church Office. This is a great opportunity to connect, ask questions, and get involved.

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### COUNCIL OF MINISTRIES MEETING

The Council of Ministries will have an extended lunch meeting on Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025 following the worship service. The focus will be scheduling all ministry events for 2025. Please come prepared with filled out ministry forms with the details of your event. Forms are available in the church office.

### MINISTRY DONATIONS

#### CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES:

This past Christmas, Wesley was able to pack 300+ Christmas Shoeboxes for the Samaritan Purse Ministry. For Jan. 2025, please bring in facecloths. There will be a bin under the Ministry Information Table in the FLC to leave your donations.

#### RUTH CIRCLE:

Collecting diapers, wipes, toiletries and educational supplies for the Children's Home Network. Bin under FH Ministry/Info table.

#### CUBA MINISTRY:

Collecting OTC medicines, vitamins and toiletries to be shipped to sister churches. Marked bin under FH Ministry Table.

#### HOMELESS MINISTRY:

Bin under FH Ministry/Info Table for T-shirts and bath towels.

#### PACK-A-SACK:

Foods needed: juice boxes or pouches, applesauce 4 oz, peanut butter crackers, Nature's Bakery fig bars. Donations can be left in marked bin under the Ministry/Info Table.

### WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Craft Ladies	Tues., 2:00 - 5:00pm	FLC Fellowship Hall
Wednesday Night Supper	Wed., 6:00 - 7:00pm	FLC Fellowship Hall
Wednesday Night Live	Wed., 7:00 - 8:00pm	FLC Youth Rm 2nd fl
Daily Christian Living	Wed., 6:30 - 8:00pm	FLC Room 202
Needles Group	Thurs., 9:00am - noon	FLC Youth Rm 2nd fl
Friday Night Song & Prayer	Fri., 7:00 - 8:00pm	FLC Rm 201

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Band Rehearsal	9:00am	FLC Fellowship Hall
Bible Study/ Young at Heart	9:00am	FLC Room 201
Bible Study/Fran's Bible Study	9:00am	FLC Room 202
Choir Rehearsal	9:45am	FLC Fellowship Hall
Promiseland for Kids	9:45am	FLC 2nd floor Youth Room
Worship Service	10:00am	FLC Fellowship Hall
Ruah Youth Group	5:30pm	FLC 2nd Floor Youth Room



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GUIDED BY  
THE  
LIGHT  
MATTHEW 2:1-12



SUNDAY JANUARY 5, 2025 | 10:00 AM

Rev. Antonio Christie, Senior Pastor  
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**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY  
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD  
ORDER OF WORSHIP  
JANUARY 5, 2025**

**THANK YOU FOR SILENCING ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES  
\*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE**

**PRELUDE** “We Have Heard The Joyful Sound” Jean Rowe, Piano

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENT** Rev. Antonio Christie

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!

**People: Darkness may cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples, but the Lord rises upon us, and God’s glory appears over us.**

Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around; the nations gather to see the light, and kings come to the brightness of your dawn.

**People: We, too, have followed the star, seeking the One who is the Light of the world.**

Leader: The magi brought gifts—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—offering their treasures to the newborn King.

**People: We bring the treasures of our hearts, offering worship and praise to Christ our Lord.**

**All: Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord! Let us worship the Christ who shines in glory for all!**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God of Light and Glory,  
You revealed Your Son to the nations through a guiding star, inviting all the world to worship and adore Him. As the magi brought gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, so we bring our hearts and lives to offer before You. Shine Your light upon us, Lord, so that we may walk in Your ways and proclaim Your love. Open our eyes to see Your glory in the world around us, and open our hearts to welcome Your presence anew. Lead us, like the magi, by the light of Your truth. May we faithfully follow where You lead, and may our lives reflect the hope and joy of Christ, the Light of the world.  
In the name of Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and King, we pray. Amen.

**\*OPENING HYMN** *Christ Is the World’s Light* Pg 188

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

The light of Christ has come into the world, revealing God’s glory and exposing the darkness of our hearts. Let us confess our sins before God and one another, trusting in God’s mercy to forgive, restore, and renew us.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of light and love,  
we confess that we have not always followed the star that leads to Your presence.  
We have sought our own way instead of Yours,  
and we have hoarded the gifts meant to bless others.  
Forgive us for the times we have failed  
to see Your glory in our midst,  
and for the ways we have turned from Your guiding light.  
Shine Your mercy upon us, O Lord.  
Cleanse us of our sins,  
and guide us back to the path of faithfulness,  
that we may reflect the brightness of Your love  
to a world longing for hope.  
In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Children of God, know that you are forgiven in Jesus Christ and live as God’s beloved.

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** *His Name Is Wonderful* Pg 174

**\*THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**OFFERTORY** *Retun of The Wise Men* Chancel Choir

**\*PRESENTATION OF TITHES, AND OFFERINGS**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**CHILDREN’S MOMENT** Makenna Bayyat

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Holy God, Open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Spirit, that we may hear with joy what You are saying to us today.

May Your truth illumine our lives,  
leading us to worship You with grateful hearts  
and to follow You with faithful obedience.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the World, we pray.  
**Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Isaiah 60:1-6

**\*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Matthew 2:1-12

**SERMON** *Guided by the Light* Rev. Antonio Christie

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**BREAKING THE BREAD / GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP**

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

*For those wishing to become members in this congregation of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church either by profession of faith or transfer of church membership, please come forward indicating your desire during the first stanza of our hymn of invitation.*

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION** *We Three Kings* Pg 254

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Antonio Christie

**CLOSING** Praise Team



**THERE ARE MULTIPLE WAYS TO GIVE:**

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2. Mobile: Text donation amount to 833-505-2066
3. In Person: Drop in offering plate or bring by church office
4. Mail: Mail donation to:  
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