Stewardship of Time and Talents, January 3, 2016

General	\$2,707.00	Parsonage	\$50.00
Coffee Outreach	\$11.00	Hospitalization	\$10.00
Benevolences		Christmas Offering	\$50.00
Attendance			

Schedule of Events and Meetings for this Week

Today, January 10, 2016	9:00 AM	Worship
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Monday, January 11, 2016		•
Wednesday, January 13, 2016		
Friday, January 15, 2016		

Annoucements and Reminders

Leadership Development Day, Saturday, 1/30/16, 9AM – 3:30PM. Please see enclosed insert regarding workshops and information on our keynote speaker and workshop leader, Dr. Owen Ross. Please register online at www.maumeewatershed.org.

Praises, Prayers and Concerns

Don Allen	Tedd Aldrich	
Richard Angel	Kim Arasato	
Enriqueta Baldonado	Mike Bateson	
Family of Hunter Blasius	Family of Chase Boltz	
Josh Earl	Mary German	
Mike Gill	Connie Grilliot	
Patricia Harm	Zachary Hunter	
Family of Zella Levanthal	Marcia Moore	
Gerry Otley	Family of Josh Pearce	
Evelyn Perez	Joe Perez (Dad & Son)	
Smoke Perez	Bob Pooley	
Leo Salaz	Kay Stevens	
Family of Franklin Taylor	Ethal Thomas	
Dolly Warner Gregory	Bennet Wossener	
San Bernadino, CA		

Terry Amos Ivan Avery Family Family of Joanne Bechstein Linda Brownell Leslie Gill Family of Betty Hampshire Phyllis Johns Family of Paul Moore Betty Perez Family of Coke Perez Gary Rothenmueller Family of Anne Strickland Ruth Troxel Deb Zulch

Victims of the floods in California & along the Mississippi River Blessed Year for us All

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...One who is more powerful than I is coming... L u k e 3 : 1 6

Worship: 9:00 AM Sunday School: 10:00 AM Vision Statement: CHRISTIAN SERVANTS UNITED IN MISSION TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD <u>HTTP://HOME.DACOR.NET/CHRISTUMC/</u>

Christ United Methodist Church

January 10, 2016 1st Sunday after the Epiphany *(this symbol is an invitation to stand if you are able)

Gathering and Preparation

Time of Gathering and Welcome

Announcement

Prelude....music to help us prepare for worship

* Call to Worship

Paul Herringshaw

Like the soft whisper of a little child singing to herself before anyone else in the house is awake,

ever so gently, God's voice cradles us with songs of wonder and awe.

With the persistence of teenagers and young adults, heady with the newfound freedom of questioning everything,

God's voice rumbles like a river through our lives, sweeping away all the boundaries between us.

Like the grandpa who passes on the secret to his bread, like the grandma who teaches her grandkids how to drive,

God's voice is always reminding us that we are precious, esteemed, beloved.

*Hymn #529 "How Firm a Foundation"

*Prayer

Paul Herringshaw

When we baptize ourselves in the frigid waters of fear, you come to gather us up, drying us off with grace, wrapping us in the warm, fluffy towel of the Spirit. When our faith becomes as threadbare as the carpet beneath our feet, you come, your work boots on, your tool belt around your waist, building a new foundation for us, whistling, 'my hope is built on nothing less. When we worry that someone else has taken our place in your heart, you show us where our name is etched, so you can always feel us with every beat. Hear us then o tender, gentle one as we lift our prayers of joy to you this day.

The Way of Letting Go

Offering the Prayers We Bring Prayer for One Voice

The Way of Creativity

A Conversation with the Children Reading of the Sacred Text Isaiah 43:1-7 and Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Interpreting the Sacred Text "Dappled Soul" Ellie Krassow Paul Herringshaw Rev. Bruce McDaniel

The Way of Compassion and Justice Making

Offering ourselves through our presence, gifts, service and witness

*Doxology

Offering Prayer

We offer our gifts in recognition that we are baptized people, transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit. So, we will hold nothing back but will share our lives, our hearts, our energies, as well as our efforts, in ministry to the world around us. Let this be our promise and intent this day.

Blessing

*A song to send us on our way, Hymn #252 "When Jesus Came to Jordan" * Blessing

Baptized, we will go to share God's love with others.
We will welcome those the world rejects as our sisters and brothers.
Baptized, we will become the grace of our Lord Jesus.
We will share the waters of life with everyone we meet.
Baptized, we will become the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.
We will be a community of justice, not judgment; we will be a household of hope, not an exclusive club for just a few.

Postlude (Pause to gather thoughts, feelings and possible actions that may result from this time of worship. Please remain seated until it is finished.)

Participants in this morning's Worship

Pastor	Rev. Bruce McDaniel
Organist	Linda Allen
Pianist	Kathy Bame
Acolyte	
Liturgist	
East Greeter	Pat Fortney
North Greeters	
Ushers	

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT DAY

Dear Clergy and Laity,

I invite you to be part of our annual Leadership training event. Saturday, January 30 will be filled with great presentations on pertinent topics for ministry in your local church. We have invited Pastor Owen Ross as our keynote speaker. He comes to us from Texas where he is involved in a very effective and growing Hispanic church plant. There are many other fulfilling workshops for effective ministry planned for you on this day. This event promises to be a great day well worth your time investment. I encourage your presence and participation. For His Church, Rev. Scot Ocke, District Superintendent, Maumee UMC

Keynote & Workshop Speaker, Dr. Owen Ross is the founding pastor of Christ's Foundry United Methodist Church in Dallas, Texas. Having never pastored a church and having never been a part of a Spanish-language congregation, Dr. Ross moved into the north Love Field neighborhood in 2002 and began knocking on doors. Today, Christ's Foundry is the largest Spanish-language United Methodist congregation west of the Mississippi River, operating in a \$2.5 million facility that was completed debt free in 2012. Christ's Foundry serves both as a center for worship as well as a center for social services, touching over 3000 lives a year in a high-density, immigrant community with a per-capita income 2/5 the national average. Dr. Ross was born and reared in the rural East Texas town of Henderson. Graduating from Texas A&M in 1995 he joined the Peace Corps and served in the rural lowlands of Ecuador. A graduate of Perkins School of Theology and a graduate of Asbury Theological Seminary with a Doctor of Ministry, Owen shares, "My calling is to serve the One who was anointed to proclaim Good News to the poor. "Owen is married to Xo'chitl and is the father of Leland and Larkin.

Leadership Workshops:

The Role of Social Service in Evangelism Creating a "Door to Core" System We are Stronger Together The Art of Neighboring Every One in Ministry Pastor or Staff Parish Committee Creating Safety & Security in Your Church



Holistic Mission: The Role of the Church in Poverty Alleviation

Dr. Owen Ross

Deadline date is January 15, 2016 You may register online at <u>www.maumeewatershed.org</u> Registration fee of \$10 includes keynote speaker, lunch and 2 workshops (AM or PM)