

Events & Announcements



Sunday Evening Bible Study Resumes

January 7, 5:30 pm dinner, 6:00 pm discussion
Talbert Building

Join us on Sunday evenings for deeper connections and deeper dives into the Bible with Pastor Ric! Now is the perfect time to jump in and grow in faith! Contact Pastor Ric for more info ric@faithunited.org.



Pizza with the Pastor

January 21, 12:00 pm, Talbert Building

For anyone newer or interested in membership or baptism, join us for this informal “crash course” on membership, baptism, and what being a Methodist is all about. Please RSVP at hello@faithunited.org.



“Love Your Neighbor” Dinner & Potluck Faith Church x Camp Roberson

January 28, 6 pm, Lobby

Join Faith Church and Camp Roberson (formerly Tent City 4) for an evening of food and doing good! Our Community Outreach Team will provide the main dish. You're invited to bring a salad, side, or dessert, and join us for food, conversation, music, and making valentines for youth at Echo Glen. RSVP to hello@faithunited.org and we'll save you a seat!



In the Beginning Preschool, Registration Open!

The 2024-2025 Registration is in full swing for the fall. If you are interested in our program for your child we encourage you to visit our website and contact us for a tour.

<https://www.inthebeginningpreschool.org>



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January 7th, 2023

*Creating a community where people connect with Christ and
Partner with God in making things right.*

Gather Our Hearts

Welcome & Introduction

Rev. Ric Shewell

*Call to Worship from Psalm 29 †

John King

*Opening Prayer

John King

**God of all newness †*

*10,000 Reasons (Redman) †

Music Team

*Breathe On Me, Breathe of God (UMH #420) †

Music Team

Today's Music Team: Emily Cowgill, Robert Brawn, Brian Bauman,
Greg Rolette, and Sara Bauman

* Indicates to stand in body or spirit.

† Words will be on the screen.

Form Our Desires

A Covenant Renewal †	Rev. Ric Shewell
The Lord's Prayer †	
<i>Be Thou My Vision (UMH #451) †</i>	
Wesley Covenant Prayer †	
Children's Moment (2nd service)	Abby Kleinknecht Morse
<i>After Children's Time, children in 5th grade and younger are invited to a lesson and activity with Abby in the choir room, returning after the sermon..</i>	
Introduction to Offering	Rev. Ric Shewell
<i>House of God Forever (Foreman)</i>	Music Team
* <i>Doxology (UMH #94) †</i>	Music Team
*Prayer of Thanksgiving †	John King

Inspire Our Minds

John 1:19-34 (CEB) †	John King
"Water and the Lamb"	Rev. Ric Shewell

Move us to Love

Celebration of Holy Communion	Rev. Ric Shewell
The Great Thanksgiving Prayer †	
Instructions for Sharing the Sacrament	
<i>Down to the River to Pray (American Traditional) †</i>	Music Team
Announcements	Rev. Ric Shewell
*Benediction	Rev. Ric Shewell
* <i>Take to the World (Webb, Tate) †</i>	Music Team

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Message Notes

The Gospel of John takes its final form around 90 ad, written by the community of John.

"This is the disciple who testifies concerning these things and who wrote them down. **We know that his testimony is true.**" - John 21:24

John the Baptist refuses to be _____.

egō ouk eimi hō christos = **I** am not the christ.

egō eimi = **I** am. (The verbiage that Jesus will use repeatedly.)

It is in the waters of baptism that clarity of _____ is received.

In baptism, we learn who Jesus truly is: the Son of God and the

_____ who protects from death (Exodus 12).

In baptism, we receive our new identities:

Children of God, saved by the Lamb, partners in undoing evil and bringing blessing.

Remember your baptism:

- *Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?*

- *Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?*

- *Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?*

- *According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?*