

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Blend: The Blend will be making plans to regroup after the first of the year. More information will be coming soon.

Prime Timers: The Prime Timers will meet for lunch at the Lotus Garden restaurant at 11:30am on Wednesday, Jan. 18th, 2017. There will be no bus transportation for this meal, so just meet at the restaurant and bring your lunch money. Sign up in the Gathering Place Jan. 8th and 15th. Everyone is welcome! Questions? Call Missy Johnson at 317-888-1248.

Membership Classes: New Member classes are set to begin. The three classes will be held on Sundays, January 15th, 22nd, and 29th at 9:00am. You are invited to learn, love and lead. Please sign up in the Gathering Place.

Prayer Ministry: Richard Stutz will be leading a Prayer Ministry in January focusing on the practice of prayer as a spiritual discipline. Everyone is encouraged to join on Sunday, January 15th and 22nd at 9:00am in the chapel. Please sign up in the Gathering Place.

Exercise Sessions: Would you like the opportunity to workout with Nicole Springer each Monday at 1:00pm at GUMC? If you are interested in participating, please sign up in the Gathering Place on or before January 1st. Based on interest the class will begin January 9th. (Weather and attendance will always be a consideration for class cancellation.)

Kitchen Ministry: The Kitchen Ministry Cookbook - Vol. 2 is now on sale for \$7.00. Included are over 50 new recipes by the Kitchen Ministry team since the last publication in 2011. All proceeds will go to the GUMC Kitchen Ministry. Contact Julie Penoff at 317-902-4632 or penoffj@att.net for more information.

Chili Cook-Off: Kiwanis Chili Cook-off will be held on January 27th starting at 4:30pm. Look for more detailed information in the January 2017 Spire and the Gathering Place.

Office Closings: The church office will be closed January 2nd and January 16th to observe the New Year's and Martin Luther King holidays respectively.

Youth Group: January has a lot in store for our Youth Group. Sunday, January 8th they will be visiting Historic Fountain Square for Duckpin Bowling. Saturday, January 21st they will be Snow Tubing at Perfect North Slopes in Lawrenceburg Indiana. Please contact David Peebles for more information (317-889-0235.)

Please see the Youth board in the Gathering place for more details.

Weekly Finance Summary

| | Income | Needed |
|-------------|---------|---------|
| December 4 | \$6,468 | \$6,153 |
| December 11 | \$4,450 | \$6,153 |
| December 25 | \$9,831 | \$6,153 |



This weeks scripture
verse...

“Arise, shine;
for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord
has risen upon you.”

Isaiah 60: 1

Greenwood United Methodist Church (GUMC) is a **praying, worshiping, learning, and teaching** community that invites the Holy Spirit to transform our families for the work of Jesus Christ.

GUMC **accepts, welcomes, and celebrates** the gifts and talents of all people.

GUMC's mission field **trains people to make positive changes** in our local community and throughout the world by **bearing the fruit of love and joy** in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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General Worship Information

Welcome visitors! We're glad you're here and hope you feel the presence of God in this worship service. Stop by our Gathering Place tables for information or speak to one of our ushers for any guidance.

Holy Communion is available the first Sunday of each month.

On the second Sunday of the month, please join us for fellowship and refreshments after worship. We look forward to having you worship with us again.

For our hearing impaired friends: Personal hearing devices are available. Our ushers will be glad to assist you.

Sunday School is available for all ages starting at 9:00 a.m.

Children are welcome to worship with their parents. The Nursery is available for ages 5 and under from 10:00 a.m. till 11:30 a.m.

Prayer concerns, special requests, membership information: If you have a prayer concern, membership inquiry, change of address or other information you would like the church office or pastor to know, fill out an index card and put it in the collection basket or call the office at 317-881-1653.

The Chapel is available for prayer and meditation when the church building is open

Greenwood UMC Staff
In Suk Peebles: Pastor
Lal Ralte: Pastor - Mizo/Burmese
Drew Worthen: Music Director
Glen Coleman: Treasurer
Tim Twyman: Custodian
Monica Collins-Lundsford:
Office Coordinator

God Gathers Us for Worship

**Indicates to stand as you are able.*

Prelude

***Welcome & Greetings**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

***Opening Hymn** *There's a Song in the Air* UMH #249
This Little Light of Mine UMH #585

***Call to Worship** Isaiah 60: 1-6

L: Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

**C: For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;**

L: but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.

**C: Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.**

L: Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;

**C: your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.**

L: Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,

**C: because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.**

L: A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of
Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come.

**All: They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.**

(sung version) **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to
the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever
shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

*Prayer of the People (in unison)

**O God, by the leading of a star you revealed your only Son to
the people of the earth. Enable us to know your presence
among us where we see your glory face to face through Jesus
Christ our Lord, whose name is Emmanuel. Help us to
proclaim His unsearchable riches, the brightness of His
rising, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now
and for ever. Amen.**

***Hymn** *Go Tell it on the Mountain* UMH #251

Passing the Peace of Christ

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**Please fill out member and guest book.*

Children's Moment

Hymn *We Three Kings of Orient Are* UMH#254

New Testament Reading Ephesians 3:1-12

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

C: Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Reading** Matthew 2:11-15, 19-23

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

C: Thanks be to God.

Homily *Epiphany, What is it?* Pastor In Suk Peebles

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer See Screen

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings
Special Music
Doxology UMH #94

The Great Thanksgiving & Holy Communion
(Responses on Screen)

The Giving of the Bread and the Cup
Special Music
This is the Feast of Victory UHM#638

***Closing Hymn** *What Child is This* UHM#219

***Benediction** *Go Ye, Go Ye Into the World* FWS#2239

Postlude

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Congregational Outreach

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(Thinking of You)
6992 East County Line Road
Indianapolis, IN 46237

Don Smith
(Thinking of You)
Magnolia Springs
4926 Sir Barton Way
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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Julie Penoff (1), Ron Gribble (3),
Jessica Vleck (5), Katie Griffin
(6) & Juanita Rogers (7)

GUMC Weekly Calendar

Sunday, January 1

9:00 am Mizo Dinner Prep
9:00 am Sunday School
10:15 am Worship
11:30 am Missions
1:30 pm Mizo Worship
4:00 pm Christmas Décor Clean-up

Monday, January 2

10:00 am Bible Study
6:00 pm Tri Kappa

Tuesday, January 3

10:30 am Covenant Group
11:00 am The Shepherd's Table

Thursday, January 5

6:30 pm Quilt Connection
6:30 pm Choir Practice
7:30 pm Bell Practice

Sunday, January 8

9:00 am Sunday School
10:15 am Worship Service
11:30 am 2nd Sunday Fellowship
1:30 pm Mizo Worship
4:00 pm Youth (grades 6-12)
6:00 pm Mizo Youth Group