

## All Saints Sunday/ Commitment Sunday

Prelude ~

Welcome & Announcements

Worship Leader: Angie Gabel-McConkey

(• Please stand as you are able)

Passing the Peace of Christ

Christ's Light Enters

- Call to Worship

Wilderness water awaits us:

**Sweet as honey, dripping forgiveness, wild enough to wash away wrongs.**

God is there:

**Immersed, emerging, hovering over it, speaking of love.**

Jesus and the Spirit await us. Come to the river of love.  
(alludes to Mark 1)

- Opening Hymn

"I Sing the Almighty Power of God" #152

Opening Prayer

As we begin our worship in this new year,  
Holy God, we lift our prayers for health, peace, and good things for all people. May hearts awaken to the reality of your love; may lives be changed. May we, who follow you, help usher in a new age where humanity can work together for the good of all, and where your grace and mercy is shared freely.  
Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Liturgist:

Genesis 1:1-5

Marcy Johnson

Children's Moment:

Pastor Melanie

[After Children's Moment, children may go to the nursery or return to their parents.]

Gospel Reading

Mark 1:4-11

Sermon

"The Wind of God"

Pastor Melanie Adams

Prayer Hymn

"Breathe On Me, Breath of God" #420

Time of Prayer

*(Where have you seen God's presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)*

Lord's Prayer #895

Offertory

The Doxology ~ #94

- Offertory Prayer [Unison]

**Maker of all good things, we offer back a portion of your bounty in these, our tithes and offerings. Through these gifts, may your church embody your creative goodness in the world; in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

*(See screen or insert)*

Holy Communion

- Closing Hymn

"Spirit Song" #347

- Our Purpose

What is our purpose?

**We come to experience Christ's love, and work together to live it out!**

- Benediction

- Benediction Response

"Let There Be Peace On Earth" #431

Postlude ~

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### PRAYERS

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today. Jesus changes lives!

### Thoughts to Ponder

In what ways does the Holy Spirit speak to you? What are you hearing the Spirit say to you? How does the Holy Spirit sustain you and inspire you?

**Events this week in church:**

**Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 am Sunday school/Living Church  
10:30 am Worship Service  
11:30 am Fellowship

**Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 pm Finance

**Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 pm Trustees  
7:00 pm Evening Cluster  
Beth Whisler's  
529 W. 5<sup>th</sup>

**Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**

5:15 pm Hospitality  
5:45 pm Table Talk

**Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 am Marketing

**Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 am Sunday school/Living Church  
10:30 am Worship Service  
**Human Relations Day Offering**  
11:30 am Fellowship  
11:45 am Discipleship Team in room 203.

**COMING SOON**



**Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 pm ADCO

**Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

11:15 Commodities  
5:45 Table Talk

**Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

1:00 UMW General



**January 7, 2018**

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**Concordia First United Methodist Church**

**Rev. Melanie Adams, Pastor**

**Interested in Membership and/or Baptism?**

Contact the church office to set up an appointment to visit with Pastor Melanie.

**Welcome to our guests!** We are glad you are here. We hope you were blessed by your experience at First United Methodist Church this morning and will tell a friend!

**Members and Friends,**

Please sign the attendance pads! Thank you!