



# A SPIRITUAL GIFT

is given to each of us as a means of  
helping the entire church.

1 Corinthians 12:7



**January 20, 2019**  
**FUMC Portsmouth, NH**

*We Gather for Worship*

**Prelude & Entrance of Christ's Light**

**Celebrations**

**\*Call to Worship:**

L: The Spirit of God is upon us.

**P: We are called to be God's people.**

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***ALL: Come let us worship God, who binds us together in love and service.***

**\*Hymn: "We Are the Church"**

UMH #558

**A Time for the Child in all of Us**

**Prayer (unison):**

**Generous God, you give each and every person gifts to benefit the whole of creation. We confess that we squander those gifts. We misuse the gifts you have given to us, and we dismiss the gifts you have given to others. Forgive our foolish ways, O Lord. By your Spirit, bring us together to use all of the gifts you give to benefit the common good. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon*

L: Our prayers are accepted; our lives are forgiven. Christ is revealed to us and with awe we recognize our incredible value in God's love.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

**Sung Response: "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"**

UMH #349

**Ministry of Music**

*We Proclaim the Word*

**Reading the Word: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

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

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Message: "Spiritual DNA"**

Rev. Deb Hanson

*We Respond to God's Word*

**\*Hymn: "Forward Through the Ages"**

UMH #555

**Concerns and Joys**

**Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer** (unison):

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not in temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology:** (*Please join in singing the following:*)

UMH #94

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose  
power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**\*Prayer of Dedication** (unison):

**Holy Spirit, you have honored each of us with unique spiritual gifts. We acknowledge that these gifts are to be used for your glory alone. Help us to offer our talents so that others may be encouraged to share abundantly. We are honored and humbled by the responsibility of using these gifts as stewards of your Kingdom. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*We Go Forth to Serve*

**\*Hymn: "Bind Us Together"**

TFWS #2226

**\*Choral Benediction:** (*Congregation encircles the Sanctuary*)

**May the Lord, gracious God bless and keep you forever. Grant your peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and seek His face, and His grace forever. May the Lord, mighty God bless and keep you forever.**

**\*Pastor's Charge**

**Postlude**

*\*Please stand as you are comfortable  
Large print bulletins are available from the greeters*



## Welcome!

Whether you are joining us for worship for the first time or after many years of attending here at First UMC, we want you to know that you are welcome!

We are an inclusive community that invites everyone to be part of our church fellowship. Thank you for being here, and we hope that you have had a meaningful experience of worshipping our God so you leave this place feeling that you have been blessed to be a blessing. Please join us again!

Rev. Deb Hanson

**TODAY** is Human Relations Sunday, we will receive a special Advance offering for Human Relations Sunday. Turn on the news or drive around the outskirts of your town and you will find what Jesus called “the least of these.” Those living in the margins of society, struggling to survive.

**TODAY** there will be a Martin Luther King, Jr afternoon celebration at New Hope Baptist Church - 263 Peverly Hill Rd, Portsmouth, @ 4 pm. The speaker will be Rev. Dr. Kirk Byron Jones who has met Dr. King and began preaching at the age of 12, and has served as a pastor for over thirty years. He is the author of many books for clergy, and persons seeking spiritual growth in this changing and challenging world. Everyone is invited.

**January 21st** We celebrate and remember Martin Luther King Jr. day

**March 10th** TO NOTE: SPRC meeting scheduled for 1/27 has been moved to 3/10 after worship.

**3rd Tuesday of each month** will now be the Church Council meeting schedule. Next meeting will be 2/19 @ 6pm

UPCOMING  
EVENTS  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS



**WE WILL  
GAIN COURAGE  
FROM EACH OTHER  
AND FROM OUR  
SHARED STORIES OF  
GOD'S MIGHTY POWER**

**WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER:**

<b>Barbara &amp; Jim Slater</b>	<b>Joette MacKenzie</b>
<b>Barbara Sylvester</b>	<b>Kim Hishop</b>
<b>Pauline Boynton</b>	<b>Rev. Sue Ellery</b>
<b>Barbara Millar</b>	<b>Rev. Bill Gardei</b>
<b>Clark Cole</b>	<b>Gayle Gardei</b>
<b>Irene Derosier</b>	<b>Marion Collishaw</b>
<b>Barbara Clement</b>	<b>Sue Goodhue</b>
<b>Malia Broe</b>	<b>Hunter Pinkley</b>
<b>Trudy Parkhurst</b>	<b>Sylvia Bartlett</b>
<b>Pat McLaughlin</b>	<b>BrianThompson</b>
<b>VanReenen Family</b>	<b>Gil Stebbins</b>
<b>Our Church family</b>	<b>Roseanne</b>

**Today's altar flowers are in honor of our church family who are in nursing facilities, rehab centers or homebound and a reminder for all us to remember them with visits, cards or phone calls.**





## Sunday Worship Team

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Debra J. Hanson

Pastor's Assistant - David Richards

Liturgist - Yvonne Griffin

Lay Leader - Susan Sarosiek

Director of Music - Bevan Bloemendaal

Acolyte - Alexa Langs

Greeters - Kellie & Steve Langs & Marilyn Stebbins

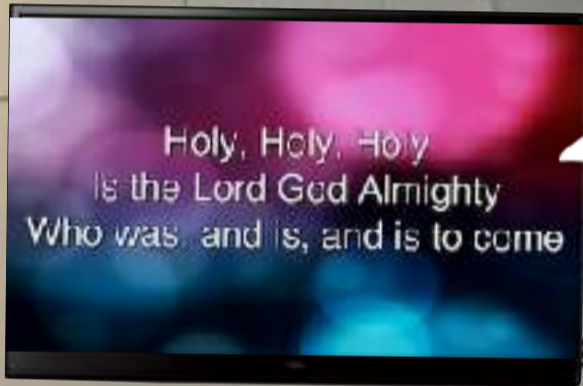
Ushers - Mike & Anne Coffey & Ken Young

Sunday School - Kaya Sarosiek & Dave Richards

Sound Tech - Sue Sarosiek

Worship Service Tech - Steve Scott

Photographer - Dave Atkinson



The Finance Trustees are looking for donations to replace the outdated screen and projector being used each Sunday with a large LED monitor. This monitor will provide higher screen quality

for content/visuals and words improving readability/clarity and overall better placement for enhanced visibility from all areas in the sanctuary and less disruption on the pulpit area.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration in our continued goal of enhancing our worship experience here at FUMC.



**FUMC PORTSMOUTH  
A RECONCILING CONGREGATION**

**We, the congregation of the First  
United Methodist Church of Portsmouth,**



**New Hampshire, are dedicated to worshiping, learning, and serving with all people as we embrace Jesus Christ's message of love and acceptance. As a United Methodist Church we stand fully behind the statement "Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors" We celebrate our diversity and invite all persons regardless of age, gender, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, physical or mental ability into full membership and participation in the life of this community of faith.**



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