

Redland Community United Methodist Church
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Location: 18700 SW 248th Street Homestead, FL 33031

December 29, 2024
First Sunday after Christmas Day

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OUR VISION STATEMENT:

We will be Christ's presence in our community,
building relationships

OUR BIBLICAL PURPOSE:

"To be a faithful community of devoted servants who will share Christ's love
and example."

MUSIC: Felicia Fina;
LAY LEADER: Phil Formel
GREETERS: Charles Alderson, Santiago Garcia
LITURGISTS: Jan Burlison, Tom Settle, Yanira Bonilla
USHERS: Charles Alderson, Robert Kelly, Tom Settle,
Jim Rumohr
ACOLYTES: Chloe Junco, Jim Rumohr

Bishop: Rev. Tom Berlin
District Superintendent: Rev. Dr. Simon Osunlana
Pastor: Nelson Bonilla

For emergency pastoral care or needs please contact: if you would like
prayer, a visit, to receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion or baptism,
information on joining the church or other needs.

Pastor Nelson Bonilla – Phone: 386-631-6193 email:
nelson.bonilla@flumc.org

Regular Office Hours – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-1pm or by
appointment or the following members: Santiago Garcia, Administrative
Council Chair, 305-608-1184

BUDGET AND OPERATING COSTS:

2024 Annual Church Budget: \$ 92,862.56
Weekly Operating Expenses/ Funds Needed: \$1,786.00
Last Week's Offerings: \$

: God has come to make a home
among us!



HAPPY
New Year

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WELCOME GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES)

PRELUDE (acolyte brings light into the gathering place) Sandy Keffer
Pianist

Pastoral Prayer

Loving God may we be found and may we find a place called home, a place where faith holds us and grace renews us where forgiveness longs for us to be who you will us to be.

May we find a place called home where we are accepted as we are where we are taken in and loved unconditionally.

A place called home where we belong, and our souls fit, and our questions are allowed, and our anger is heard, and our needs are recognized, and our pain is held, and our names are known, and may this be that place, O God, for this community, this group of travelers and doubters and companions on the way.

This home where your place is our place and place isn't a building but a way of being together in relationship held together by love Loving God, Homecoming God, may we make this a home to all who still yet seek a place of grace-filled sanctuary and gracious welcome. Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: Children of God, Jesus Christ is born!

P: God has come to make a home among us!

L: Yet the story is not over. After birth comes the ordinary and mundane growing, maturing, and discovering, even for the Christ Child.

P: In the ordinary and mundane, God has come to make a home among us.

L: And sometimes, in the midst of the everyday, something surprising happens, and we discover anew just what God is up to in our midst.

P: In the surprising and spectacular, God has come to make a home among us.

L: Children of God, let us worship the God who dwells with us in all things and all seasons.

P: We come to make our home with God who makes a home among us. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #89 (UMH)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** the Korean Methodist Church #884 (UMH)

GREETING ONE ANOTHER : #557(UMH)

As the body of Christ in the world, let us share his love and peace with one another.

JOYS AND CONCERNS (We lift up concerns & thanksgivings)

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER The Lord's Prayer #895 (UMH)

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "O Jesus, My King and My Sovereign" #180(UMH)

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 3:12-17 (N.T)
Luke 2:41-52

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "A New Dress." Pastor Nelson

HYMN OF INVITATION "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" #251 (UMH)

OFFERTORY **PIANIST**

Special Music (Offering plate in center aisle)

***OFFERTORY PRAISE:** (Doxology) #95 (UMH)

***HYMN OF SENDING** "God Be With You, Till We Meet Again"
#672 UMH (First Verse)

***BENEDICTION**

SUNG RESPONSE "A-men, a-men, a - men." #898 (UMH)

**Please stand as you are able*

***A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church #884**

We believe in the one God creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.

We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need.

We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters.

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.

Luke 2:41-52

2:41 Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover.

2:42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival.

2:43 When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents were unaware of this.

2:44 Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends.

2:45 When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him.

2:46 After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.

2:47 And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

2:48 When his parents saw him they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously looking for you."

2:49 He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"

2:50 But they did not understand what he said to them.

2:51 Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them, and his mother treasured all these things in her heart.

2:52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years and in divine and human favor.

Colossians 3:12-17

Clothe yourselves in love

3:12 Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.

3:13 Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

3:14 Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

3:15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

3:17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Please remember the Joys and Concerns in your daily prayer.

JOYS: All the laity of our church and how much they do in serving God and others. Thanks to God for answered Prayers. Our many blessings. Good doctors. Health Care Specialists. Caregivers. God's goodness. Church friends as helpers. Time with friends and family. Gift of life. The blessing of children. Grateful for our Church leadership. Gift of the Holy Spirit. Families worship together. Each of our talents and gifts.

CONCERNS: Jo Ann McMillan's family. Lucy's mom, Gladys. Prayers for the people of Cuba. Prayers for the people of Gaza. Prayers for our country. For all missionaries around the word. Continue praying for people who are struggling with mental health. For the families of all those who have lost loved ones to breast cancer. All victims and their families of tragic violent shootings. Prayers for Lucy's son, Luis and his family. Prayers for our country, and our military service men/women. First responders. Immigrants seeking asylum. All victims of terrorism and natural disasters. Prayers for our denomination, local churches, pastors, and leaders. Those in Hospice Care, and those suffering from cancer. Prayers for single moms. Prayers for the people of Palestine and Israel. All who are grieving the loss of a loved one. For World leaders to make good decisions that lead to peace.

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Friday: 11:00 am - Bible Study

5:00pm- Fellowship Dinner: First Sunday of every month

(BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL BORN IN DECEMBER!

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE AFTER THE SERVICE

CHURCH APPORTIONMENTS AND FINANCES- Adopt an apportionment to help us meet our 2024 giving goal.

NEXT FELLOWSHIP DINNER AND BONFIRE: Sunday, January 5, 2025.

Come and enjoy hot dogs, smores and fellowship around a bonfire.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 4:00pm

BIBLE STUDY: Friday at 11:00 am.

UPPER ROOM: Daily devotional now available in the Narthex.

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