

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NURSERY** – The nursery is available during Worship for children age 0-5.

**Visitors and Members** - Please sign the pew register and pass for others to sign. Ushers will pick up from center aisle before children's message.

**ELECTRONICS NOTICE** – Please feel free to use your cell phone, iPad, etc. for taking notes during the service. Out of respect for the people around you please silence these devices. Thank you!

**NOTE** – If you would like to meet with the pastor or are interested in joining the church, please check the appropriate box on the Attendance Register or the yellow Guest/Prayer Request cards located in the hymnal racks and someone will contact you.

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To have announcements on the screen on Sunday morning, please submit an Event Publication Form to the church office by Tuesday. Forms are available in the hall by the church office.

- Beginning January 17 (Wednesday) we will have a new evening Bible study led by Pastor Steve. Each Wednesday from 5:45p to 7p we will gather in the Contemporary room across from the office. The only thing you need to bring is your Bible and a desire to learn and participate in discussion. This will be an ongoing Bible study and we will begin in Genesis, the Book of Beginnings. We'd love to have you join us!
- The next Women's Bible Study session will begin on January 11 and continue through February 22 from 10 AM—Noon. Cost of the workbook is \$13.00. The study is "Hosea" by Jennifer Rothschild. It's about an unlikely couple, an unusual courtship, and an illicit affair. But the marriage didn't end; instead, a love story began. It's Hosea and Gomer's love story, and it is your love story. Be amazed by the unfailing love of God for His wayward people, and for all people. Hosea showers us with hope and points us to the coming of the promised Messiah.

#### ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING FROM LAST WEEK

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|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 12/24 10 AM Attendance: Sunday School 16; Worship 88 | Offering: General Fund 1697.00; Building Fund \$75.00 |
| 12/24 8 PM Attendance: Worship 91                    | Christmas Offering (10 AM & 8 PM): \$2,373.00         |



## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 31, 2017

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Welcome to worship at the First United Methodist Church of Carlyle!  
 God has blessed you forever with every perfect gift from above,  
 freeing you to rise and live in the embrace of God's love.

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

The asterisk (\*) invites you to stand, but please feel at home sitting if standing is difficult.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Steve Barrett

**PRELUDE** David Wilton

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The world was lost to darkness,

**People:** but God's light, whose sign was a star, was poured out  
 for all people!

Leader: Neither sin nor fear could diminish God's perfect light.

**People:** That light is the life of Jesus Christ, who breaks through  
 the darkness.

Leader: Thanks be to God for our most precious gift of light!

**People:** Let us live as people of the light, the light and hope we  
 find in Christ! Amen!

**INVOCATION**

**\* MUSIC**

"Breathe" DVD

**\* GREETING/PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST** (Please remain standing.)

**\* MUSIC**

"This is the Day" UMH #657

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**JOYS & CONCERNS** Rev. Steve Barrett

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY**

**\* DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessing Flow" UMH #95

**CHANCEL CHOIR**

**\* SCRIPTURE** Edith Huene

Matthew 2:13-23

**GLORIA PATRI**

"Glory Be to the Father" UMH #70

**SERMON TITLE**

"So, What's Next?" Rev. Steve Barrett

**\* MUSIC**

"The First Noel" UMH #245

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

"Shalom to You" UMH #666

