

Order of Worship

LEETOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 5, 2012

Souper Bowl Sunday ~ Communion Sunday

*We delight in your presence at worship.
May we all grow in our love for God and for one another as we present
ourselves before our Lord. Welcome.*

9 AM: RING THE CHURCH BELL

PRELUDE

As the acolyte brings in the Light of the World, please be in an attitude of prayer and worship.

INTROIT: God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all, #3033
God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Praise be to your name.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: What is the fast that our God chooses?

People: To loose the bonds of injustice, to bring the homeless poor into our
houses, to cover the naked, to let the oppressed go free, and to share our
bread with the hungry.

Leader: When you do these things,

People: Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, And your healing spring up
quickly; Your vindicator shall go before you, And the Glory of the Lord shall
be your rear guard. (*Isaiah 58: 6-8*).

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

***OPENING HYMN:** "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" #3001

OPENING PRAYER:

We gather with grateful hearts in this sacred space, O God. Awaken us to hear
your call for our lives and help us listen with our hearts as well as our minds. Instill in
us a desire to follow you with determination and purpose through Christ our Lord.
AMEN.

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Timothy 4:12

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Pastor Joanna Marceron

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 25: 35-36

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** "What Feast of Love" #3170

SERMON: "Souper Bowl" Pastor Joanna Marceron

*HYMN OF THE MONTH: "A Wilderness Wandering People" #3113

JOYS AND CONCERNS / PASTORAL PRAYER

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An offering plate will be available for a monthly love offering.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Merciful God, You pardon all that truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have been hard-hearted and tight-fisted toward our neighbors in need. We have not brought the homeless into our houses. We have not fed the hungry, clothed the naked, and visited the captive. We have not moved to change the structures that bind and oppress. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. Forgive us our sins and help us to live in your light. May we turn our festivals into celebrations of your justice; May we share our soup and bread with open hearts and hands; May our light break forth and our healing spring up quickly; All to your Glory, our Rock and Redeemer. Amen.

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, You are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*CLOSING HYMN: Congregational Choice

*BENEDICTION:

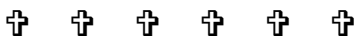
Leader: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you

People: To feed the hungry, quench the thirsty,

Leader: Welcome the stranger, clothe the naked,

People: And visit the imprisoned. AMEN.

*CHORAL AMEN: #898



**The Congregation stands, if able, to praise God!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS for FEBRUARY 5, 2012

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DISCIPLESHIP FOR FEBRUARY:

Liturgists...

5...Hunter Bowers

12...Ray Barnes

19...Samantha Viands

25...Cierra Crockett

Communion Steward...Terra Bowers

Greeters & Ushers...

5...Pat Walker & Louise Magaha

12...Snooks Mason & Lenny Marceron

19...Sonny Lilly & Marcia Grace

26...Mike & Hunter Bowers

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

- **TODAY—SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: 9:30 AM Worship, 10:45 AM Sunday School**

- **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7:** 6:30 PM Boy Scouts, 8 PM AA Meeting
- **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8:** 7 PM Church Council

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12—Boy Scout Sunday

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15—UM Men's Meeting, 7 PM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17—Blood Drive, 2-7 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18—United Methodist Women's Meeting, 11 AM...We're trying something new! This meeting will be held at Billie's Restaurant. We hope to see ALL ladies of the church there!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22—Joint Ash Wednesday Service, 7 PM...We will be joining with Middleway UMC for this special service. They will be the host church.

NEW ADDRESS: Sharon Webb is deployed to Afghanistan. Please remember here with notes and cards while she is away. Her address is: Sharon Webb, 609 AOC, AMD/AECT, APO, AE 09309.

WE HAVE A NEED...Our church is looking for two raised toilet seats with arms for our bathrooms. If you have one to donate or know where we may be purchase these reasonably, please see Snooks Mason.

STEWARDSHIP FOR 1-29-12: Attendance: 37 Offering: \$1,405.50
Donation from Butler's Chapel for bulletins: \$27.50

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To share Christ's message and make Christ's love a reality for everyone.