

COURTS

United Methodist Church



PREPARE THE WAY
SEARCH

December 30, 2018
Pastor Dawne Phillips

Couts United Methodist Church

Sunday, December 30, 2018

First Sunday After Christmas - Liturgical Color - White

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME / REGISTRATION

Cindy Hott

(Please fill out the registration on the last page of the bulletin, tear along the perforated line and place in the offering plate.)

OPENING PRAYER

Cindy Hott

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Cindy Hott

Leader: We have celebrated the birth of Jesus, but how shall we know him when he comes?

People: **How shall we greet and respond to the Promised One?**

Leader: Will Jesus come to us as a prince or a pauper?

People: **Will we see him in those of greatest need?**

Leader: Lord, make us truly ready to receive the gift of Jesus, your beloved Son

People: **Open our hearts to the good news Jesus brings to us.**

SINGING AND PREACHING

OFFERING / PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Dawne Phillips

CHILDREN'S STORY

Kathy Smith

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Mona Holderfield

(Children's Church is for children 3-Kindergarten. They will return to the sanctuary during the invitational song)

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2: 41-52

Pastor Dawne Phillips

MESSAGE

Sermon Series: Prepare the Way, Advent to Epiphany
"Search"

***INVITATION/COMMITMENT**

Congregation

(If you want to join Couts United Methodist Church and/or make a commitment to Christ, you are invited to meet Pastor Dawne at this time at the front of the sanctuary.)

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Dawne Phillips

**If you are able, we invite you to stand.*

Singing and Preaching

Congregation chooses the music

Hymns

1. Amazing Grace
2. Because He Lives
3. He Leadeth Me
4. Swing Low, Sweet Chariot
5. Just A Closer Walk With Thee
6. Great Is Thy Faithfulness
7. Freely, Freely
8. How Great Thou Art
9. Hymn of Promise
10. In The Garden
11. I Surrender All
12. It Is Well With My Soul
13. Let There Be Peace on Earth
14. Have Thine Own Way
15. Pass It On
16. Spirit Song
17. Standing on the Promises
18. The Old Rugged Cross
19. There's Something About That Name
20. 'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus
21. To God Be The Glory
22. Victory In Jesus
23. What A Friend We Have In Jesus
24. When We All Get to Heaven
25. Dwelling In Beulah Land with Beulah Land

Songs from Other Sources

26. Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone
27. As The Deer
28. Awesome God
29. Blessed Assurance (My King Is Coming Soon)
30. 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)
31. Change My Heart, O God
32. Chain Breaker (2017 Youth Mission Trip Theme Song)
33. Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King
34. Every Move I Make
35. Find Me In the River
36. One Thing Remains
37. I Give You My Heart
38. I'll Fly Away
39. I Love You, Lord
40. In Christ Alone
41. I Saw The Light
42. Days of Elijah
43. Lord I Lift Your Name on High
44. Open The Eyes of My Heart
45. Shout to the Lord
46. Oceans - Where Feet May Fall
47. Trading My Sorrows
48. The Power of Your Love
49. You Are My All In All
50. You Are My King

for the week of December 30th

Today

9:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am- Worship

1:30 p.m. - Play and Pray - Holland Lake Park

Monday

Church Office Closed

Tuesday

Church Office Closed

Wednesday

Church Office Open 8am - Noon

All regular activities cancelled

Thursday

Church office open 8:00 am - Noon

Worship Volunteers

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Sound

Mar Rooney

Slides

Becky Bond

Usher

Ricky Torbett

Children's Sermon

Kathy Smith

Children's Church

Kathy McAdams

Stewards

Bill Shatford and Sherry Couch

Greeters & Hospitality Table Pathfinder Sunday School Class

Van Drivers

Paul and Kathy McAdams

January 6, 2018

Sound

Butch Hott

Slides

Becky Bond

Usher

Ricky Torbett & Bobby Curry

Children's Sermon

Lydia Bertram

Children's Church

Mona Holderfield

Stewards

Jimmie Whitt & Randy Samson

Greeters & Hospitality Table Cousts Staff and Friends

Van Driver

Paul and Kathy McAdams

In case of pastoral emergency, please call

PLEASE LIFT IN PRAYER



Couts UMC Youth

Loving God, Loving Neighbor



Youth Sunday School

9:30 am - 10:15 am

Wednesday Youth

No Youth on Wednesday - Holidays
Snack Supper and Youth start back on
January 9th

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Worship & Bible Study

Wednesday, Worship Schedule

Starting back on January 9th
Worship @ 6 p.m.

Led by Pastor Georgia

Snack Supper - January 9th
Chicken Spaghetti / Salad

New Bible Studies Starting Wednesdays

6:30 p.m. - Following Worship

Pastor Georgia Orr
is leading a new
Priscilla Shirer Study
“Discerning the Voice of God”

John 1 - Bible Studies

**HOLIDAY
CHURCH**
OFFICE HOURS



As of 12/20/2018
Debt Reduction
Commitment Total:
\$381,448

\$255,825 paid pledges

December 31-January 4

Open Wed. Jan. 2nd & Thurs. Jan. 3rd
8 am - Noon

Loan Balance:

As of 12/20/2018 - \$581,612.79

Play and Pray
*(A ministry of
Couts UMC)*
Every Sunday
afternoon



1:30 p.m.
Holland Lake Park



**All Regular Wednesday
Activities will resume on
Wednesday, January 9th**

2pm - Prayer Force

3:30 pm- Kidzone

5:15 pm - Snack Supper
(Chicken Spaghetti)

6:00 pm - Worship

**6:30 pm - Bible Studies,
Tweens, Youth**

7:00 pm - Praise Rehearsal



**CCA & WISD
Students**



**Return to classes
Tuesday, January 8th**



**CCA Board Meeting
Thursday, January 10th
5:30 p.m.
Conference Room**

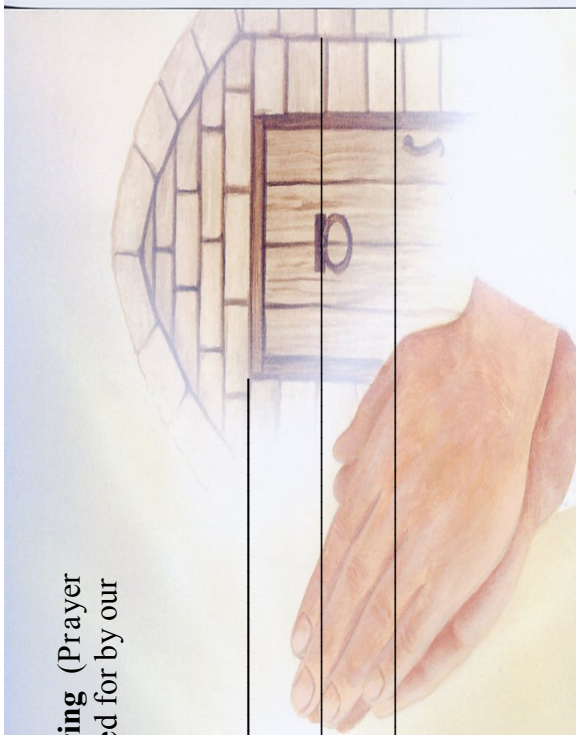
Prayer Request

Please tear off on the perforated line and place in the offering (Prayer requests that are submitted on this form are given to and prayed for by our Prayer Force the following Wednesday)

Name requesting prayer for: _____

Submitted by: _____

Comments: _____





Jr. League Basketball

Couts will begin it's 41st Season of being one of the host churches for Jr. League. This year the 1st and 2nd grade boys will be playing at Cout's gym.

Practices start on Mon., Jan. 7th and games begin on Sat., Jan. 12th and continue until March 2nd

Wesley Foundation Lunch The Wesley Foundation
Tuesday, January 15th 11am - 1pm



Sun., Jan 13th
4:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

All Church Leadership Questions & Answers

Both meetings led by Pastor Marilyn Jones concerning General Conference of the UMC in February

Sunday, January 27th
4:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall Questions & Answers
Town Hall Meeting - All of the church is invited

In case of an emergency and you need to get in touch with someone at the church when the office is closed, please dial **682-333-0589**

Attendance Registration / Welcome Visitors

12/30/2018

If you are visiting Cout's, we want to welcome you and we hope that you have a great worship experience with us today. Please fill out the contact information, tear on the perforated line and put in the offering plate.

Name: (Please list all of your family that are in attendance)

Street Address:

City

Zip

Email Address:

Telephone #

Member Visitor Active in another church in Weatherford Out of town guest Wish to join Desire a call
Attend Cout's Regularly First Time Visitor Comments _____