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EVERGREEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.

Minister, Gladys Miller 318 308 2644 glgmliller@aol.com

We wish to be of service to you. All contacts are welcome and will receive a response.

Mission Statement of Evergreen UMC

Evergreen UMC accepts and invites all people of different faiths to worship with us. If you are looking for genuineness in a church body, Evergreen church is for you.

The members are very friendly and you will feel at home in this church on the first visit.

The members are keenly aware of why a church exists. We believe church is not some place you go but something you do.

Evergreen is a safe haven for all those that may feel persecuted or unloved.

We open our hearts and arms to those that may have felt rejected by others.

Evergreen is ready to minister to people in the community. And provide training and nurture to all.

We cooperate in ministry with the other churches in the area.

The word of God is preached and praise and worship is encouraged.

We have an open communion for all Christians.

The sacraments in Holy Communion are shared with all those that profess Christ as their Savior.

Evergreen exists to help people accept and confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and to live their lives in light of their relationship with God.

The purpose of the church is to nourish those that attend and equip them to go out into the world and encourage others to become disciples for Christ.

United Methodists share a common heritage with all Christians. We share the following basic affirmations in common with all Christian communities.

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you” (Matthew 28:19-20).

Based on this “Great Commission,” our United Methodist Church has stated its purpose: “The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Local churches provide the most significant arena through which disciple-making occurs”

This mission is a four-fold task....welcoming-worshipping-nurturing-sending.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

THE TRINITY

We describe God in three persons. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are commonly used to refer to the threefold nature of God. Sometimes we use other terms, such as Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

GOD

We believe in one God, who created the world and all that is in it.

We believe that God is sovereign; that is, God is the ruler of the universe.

We believe that God is loving. We can experience God's love and grace.

JESUS

We believe that Jesus is divine. He is the Son of God.

We believe that Jesus was human. He lived as a man and died when he was crucified.

We believe that God raised Jesus from the dead and that the risen Christ lives today. (Christ and messiah mean the same thing—God's anointed.)

We believe that Jesus is our Savior. In Christ we receive abundant life and forgiveness of sins.
We believe that Jesus is our Lord and that we are called to pattern our lives after his.

HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the Holy Spirit is God with us.
We believe that the Holy Spirit comforts us when we are in need and convicts us when we stray from God.
We believe that the Holy Spirit awakens us to God's will and empowers us to live obediently.

CHURCH

We believe that the church is the body of Christ, an extension of Christ's life and ministry in the world today.
We believe that the mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ.
We believe that the church is "the communion of saints," a community made up of all past, present, and future disciples of Christ.
We believe that the church is called to worship God and to support those who participate in its life as they grow in faith.

BIBLE

We believe that the Bible is God's Word.
We believe that the Bible is the primary authority for our faith and practice.
We believe that Christians need to know and study the Old Testament and the New Testament (the Hebrew Scriptures and the Christian Scriptures).

OUR SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Through baptism we are joined with the church and with Christians everywhere.
Baptism is a symbol of new life and a sign of God's love and forgiveness of our sins.
Persons of any age can be baptized.
We baptize by sprinkling, immersion or pouring.

HOLY COMMUNION (EUCHRAIST)

The Lord's Supper is a holy meal of bread and wine that symbolizes the body and blood of Christ.
The Lord's Supper recalls the life, death and resurrection of Jesus and celebrates the unity of all the members of God's family.
By sharing this meal, we give thanks for Christ's sacrifice and are nourished and empowered to go into the world in mission and ministry.
We practice "open Communion," welcoming all who love Christ, repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another.

More information on the United Methodist Church may be found at:
www.UMC.org or by contacting Pastor Gladys Miller 318 308 2644 gglmiller@aol.com

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