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**January 15, 2023**

9:30 Worship

"New Year New You"  
Rev. Matthew J. Smith

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# Warren United Methodist Church

Second Sunday after Epiphany

## Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

L: Holy God, you taught us

**P: To put away bitterness and anger,**

**L: And with tenderhearted kindness**

**P: To share the fruit of our labor with the needy.**

L: Strengthen us by your grace, that in communion with you,

**P: We may forgive one another and live in love as Christ loved us. Amen.**

**\*Hymn #384 - Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

## Children's Time

### Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

**Hymn #382 - Have Thine Own Way, Lord**

### Giving of Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology #95

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

### \*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, a new year is here and You are with us. In loving and in carrying, in hoping and expecting, You are with us and will never let us go. Keep us faithful through the days that lie ahead, keep us caring in the pain that fills your world, keep us serving as we seek to do your will, keep us loving toward neighbors near and far, keep us trusting through the uncertainties of life, keep us sharing from your generous abundance. We

offer these gifts as a sign of our pledge to live for You as you live in us. Amen.

**Old Testament                  Ephesians 4:20-32**

**Sermon.** "New Year New You"

Pastor Matt

**\*Hymn #383 - This is a Day of New Beginnings**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude #664 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"**

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays: Jessica Spinhirne (Jan 15),

Angel McLennan (Jan 16), Rex Redington

(Jan 17), Jakobi Lewis (Jan 21)

Anniversaries:

**FINAL CALL**  
**If you would like to**  
**have a picture included**  
**in the directory. Bring a**  
**copy before February**

**UPCOMING MINISTRY**  
**Squirmy Butt**  
**Worship Service**  
**January 29th**

**Last Weeks Attendance: 24**  
**Last Weeks Offering: \$4123.00**  
**Avg. Offering Needed: \$ 900.00**



## PASTOR'S CORNER

Do you know what the Bible is?

As your pastor, I would certainly hope this seems like a "duh" question. However, do you know what it sands for...as an acronym...B.I.B.L.E.?

The **B**asic Instructions **B**efore **L**eaving **E**arth

Now, while this is rather simplistic and I'm sure we could have some wonderful theological discussions about it, there certainly is some merit here. Our passage today is certainly one of those "basic instructions" in which Paul is trying to teach the new church what it means to "put on Christ" and act like Christians. In summation, Paul is basically teaching us how to be nice and play well with others...which, in large part, was the core of Christ's message to.

John Wesley also had some good tidbits for us well, including what he called the Three Simple Rules: Do good. Do no harm. Stay in love with God.

Not a bad mantra to dedicate to in 2023!



Cereal, crackers, peas, pancake mix, cake mix, laundry soap, liquid hand soap, shampoo

## Church Calendar

**Today:** WIF Meeting (8:30), Worship (9:30)

**Tuesday (1/17):** PM No Office Hours

**Thursday (1/19):** PM in Office 9:30-3

**Sunday (1/22):** COM Meeting (8:30),  
Worship (9:30)

**COM Meeting**

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**Before Church**

**(8:30am)**

**NOISY OFFERING**

**Bring Your Change**  
**(and Folding Money)**

**January 29th!**

**ENVELOPES**

**New Offering**  
**Envelopes are**  
**Available**



Jeanette Loomis, Denis Toay, Donna Burck, Diane Korte, Brynn Fry, Harper Hess, Brandon Hartzell, Chuck Sidor, Lynn Workinger, Roger Broshous; Candy Blair Schellinger; our people in the nursing homes, all those who are suffering with certain sicknesses; service men, women, and their families; police, firefighters, and EMTs, doctors, and nurses.

Please leave a message with Susan Stone at (815) 297-2028 with additions or changes to the prayer list.