

## ANNOUNCEMENTS: WEEK OF JANUARY 23



### ALPHA IS HERE!

Join our Alpha program on Wednesdays through March 9th! We'll meet for dinner around 5:45 pm and end at 8 pm each week through March 9th. Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the basics of faith in an open and informal environment. EVERYONE is welcome, no matter where you are in your faith journey! Want to learn more? Sign up on the entryway board or at [www.polkcityumc.org/grow](http://www.polkcityumc.org/grow)



### BEE MINE BEAR STORY TIME & WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 12, 2022 at 9:30am  
Join us at the Polk City United Methodist Church for a themed story time and then build your own bear. Time slots open at 9:30 am. Participants will tour the comet cupboard & enjoy a story time before moving into the bear workshop to build their own bear. [Registration is required for this event](#), and opens January 18, 2022 at 10:00 am. Cost: donations to the comet cupboard



**#LOVELIKEJESUS TUMBLERS** can be purchased for \$10 at the Welcome Table (each purchase covers the cost of a free tumbler for our guests)

### WELCOME THE MUSGRAVE FAMILY

Join us after worship on Sunday, January 30 for bagels and coffee as we welcome Pastor Wendy and her family.



## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**January 23, 2022**  
3rd Sunday after Epiphany



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## Welcome Guests!

**We are happy to have you with us today!**

If you are visiting, please stop by the Welcome table to fill out a Connect Card and pick up a Welcome Bag!

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[polkcityumc.org](http://polkcityumc.org) | [Facebook.com/polkcityumc](https://www.facebook.com/polkcityumc) | [@polkcityumc](https://twitter.com/polkcityumc)

**GATHERING SONG****"Come to the Table"****WELCOME/CONGREGATIONAL GREETINGS**[www.polkcityumc.org/online-worship](http://www.polkcityumc.org/online-worship)*Please record your presence in the Facebook comments or the website attendance card***CALL TO WORSHIP****Liturgist: Susan Mahannah**

One: We have come to worship God, the living God,

**All: Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.**

One: We have come to praise God, the almighty God,

**All: Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.**

One: We have come to worship God, all-gracious God,

**All: Who chooses even you and me, to receive and carry the Word of life and hope.  
All glory to God!***-Adapted from a post on the United Church of Christ's Worship Ways Archive. <http://www.ucc.org/>***SONG OF PRAISE****"Take My Life"****PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: Ever present One, you call us to be your presence, your body in this world,

**All: but too often we get caught up in being a hand or a foot,  
and lose sight of the overarching mission you set before us.  
We fracture into pieces. We go our separate ways,  
forgetting we need each other to be whole.**

One: Help us see with new eyes, and hear with the ears of our heart, the liberating spirit of the law that strengthens and revives and enables us to be and do all you call us to be and do.

**All: O God of liberation and justice,  
help us be faithful witnesses to your law of love and unity. Amen.****WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

One: God is the giver of MANY gifts.

**Many: God is the Creator of the ONE body.**

One: God is slow to anger and quick to forgive.

**Many: God helps us to share and honor the gifts of all,**

One: God helps us to heal the wounds and reunite the body.

**Many: We are forgiven, loved, and accepted.  
Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen***-Prayer of Confession & Assurance: Rev Gord's Worship Offerings blog, <http://worshipofferings.blogspot.ca/>***SCRIPTURE READING****1 Corinthians 12:12-27****CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****Carol Parrott****SONG OF REFLECTION****"One Bread, One Body"**

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**SERMON****"You Are The Body"****Pastor Cindy Hickman****OFFERING OUR PRAYERS & PRESENCE***Turn to a neighbor to share joys and concerns; submit prayer requests on the Connect Cards.**Online prayer Requests can be submitted in the Facebook comments or the Attendance Card on our website [www.polkcityumc.org/online-worship](http://www.polkcityumc.org/online-worship)***PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER****Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.****OFFERING OUR GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS***Your gift in-person, by mail or mobile device, or online at [www.polkcityumc.org/give](http://www.polkcityumc.org/give) supports the ministry, outreach, and operations of your church. Thank you for your extravagant generosity! Find this week's announcements on the back side of the bulletin, or on our website at [www.polkcityumc.org](http://www.polkcityumc.org)***PRAYER OF DEDICATION****Holy Word, Holy Breath, Holy Maker of all,  
with gratitude for making us one body, we share our gifts  
with one another and with the world. Amen.***-Prayer by Deborah Sokolove featured in The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022***SONG OF SENDING****"Build Your Kingdom Here"****BENEDICTION**