

WELCOME! We're Glad You're Here!

* Indicates Standing

LITURGIST: Sis. Katana Tate

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP (UMC Discipleship)**

L: Beloved, what worship does God desire of us?

P: To do justice, love kindness, and live humbly with God.

L: In our life together as the body of Christ, what worship does God desire of us?

P: To do justice, love kindness, and live humbly with God.

L: When we share the good news with all creation, what worship does God desire of us?

P: To do justice, love kindness, and live humbly with God.

L: Come, let us worship God with justice, kindness, and humility!

P: We come to worship God with our voices and our lives.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** "Lift Every Voice and Sing" UMH 519

OPENING PRAYER

Sis. Stella

Springer

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (*in unison - Ministry Matters*)

Loving God, we come this morning seeking to abide in your presence. Open our minds to your spirit of wisdom, that we may know how to live as your people. Open our hearts to your spirit of truth, that we may love all your people with a love that speaks of justice, kindness, and radical grace. May

this time of worship be authentic and pleasing to you. Amen.

WELCOME & GREETINGS

PASSING OF THE PEACE: *Let us greet each other with signs of love and peace: "The Peace of the Lord Jesus be with you."*

***PSALTER** Psalm 15 UMH 747 Bro. Robert Brown

FIRST READING Micah 6: 1-8 Sis. Joan Wilson

BLACK HISTORY MOMENT

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

JOYS, CONCERNS & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we often seek the approval of the world rather than the truth of your Word. We have spoken without love and wandered from your ways. We have confused true worship with words and form, and forgotten what faithful discipleship requires. Forgive us, O God. Renew us by your grace, and shape us into a people of justice, humility, and love, willing to live for Christ, whatever the cost. Amen!

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

L: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSIC MINISTRY

BUMC Choir

***GOSPEL READING** Matthew 5: 1-12 Sis. Lynetha Springer

***SERMONIC HYMN** "Close to Thee!" UMH 407

MESSAGE "Shaped by Grace!" Rev. Dr. Chinma Uche

HOLY COMMUNION UMH 9

TITHES & OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** God of Justice and Mercy, you ask that we live with love, humility, and a hunger for what is right. Accept these gifts as signs of our desire to follow you. Use them and us to pour out kindness where the world is aching, to walk alongside the weary, and to bring your healing presence into troubled places. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES

***CLOSING HYMN** "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" UMH 158

***BENEDICTION**

Welcome to

Bloomfield  **U**nited **M**ethodist **C**hurch
Sharing the Abundant Life in Christ

4th Sunday after the Epiphany
1st Sunday in Black History Month



February 1, 2026 11:00am

REV. DR. CHINMA UCHE

Saleena Bascomb - Music Director

Rev. Thomas J. Bickerton - Resident Bishop

Rev. Heather A. M. Sinclair - District Superintendent

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NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 1, 2026

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**ZOOM BIBLE STUDY** - Wednesdays at 7:00pm  
Meeting ID: 860 3938 5171 / Passcode: 810341

**United Women in Faith Meeting**  
Saturday, February 7, 2026 at 2:00pm

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Contact Pastor Chinma for dates and details.

**Cooperative Parish Black History Month Service**  
Sunday, February 15, 2026 at 4:00pm at North UMC  
*Cooperative Youth Choir rehearsal* - Sat., February 14 at 1pm  
*Cooperative Parish Choir rehearsal* - Sun., February 15 at 3pm

**Honoring Our 90+ Aged Members: Sis. Idel & Bro. Fred**  
Sunday, February 22, 2026 during the worship service

**PRAYER LIST:** Valda & Wendall Lawrence, Ossie Smith, Idel Williams, Fred King, Stephen Best, Cleophas Holder, Roy Greaves, Ron Dixon, Liz Donar, Rev. Boliver Valentine, Audrey Nathan, Avril Wallace, Molly Williams, Leroy Clemons, Ted Baron and all those experiencing the loss of loved ones.

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