

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## Pastor's Page – January 2015

## Where from here?

Welcome, 2015! We've never met you before. And when you're over, we'll never see one another again.

How can we make the most of you? How do we determine which things are important for you and which things are urgent? Not all urgent things are important, although we often put urgent things first. And not all important things are urgent. Unfortunately, often the important things get put off until later (never?).

As the new year begins, what is important in your life? What is urgent? How will you give each of them the attention they deserve?

When it comes to what's important, prayer is at the top of the list. Make 2015 a year of prayer. Need to straighten out your finances? Begin by praying. Feel as though you're all alone? Pray about it. Trying to get your weight under control? Pray for self-discipline. The longer I am in ministry the more I am convinced prayer is key to fulfilling God's will. Where to go from here in the new year? Pray for God to lead us.

Do you see yourself in any of these prayers? What are the important things God has laid on your heart? Share them with others so we can pray about them together. That will make 2015 a fruitful year.

In January the Wednesday 9 a.m. and Thursday 7 p.m. prayer times will start back up. Be looking in the bulletin for specifics. Please join us. Let's undertake the *important* things for the Kingdom of God! Have a happy, prayerful 2015!

Pastor Pat



HAPPY NEW YEAR! I HOPE YOU HAD A GOOD CHRISTMAS. I WAS DISAPPOINTED BECAUSE MY PEOPLE DID NOT PUT UP A CHRISTMAS TREE THIS YEAR. I LOOK FORWARD TO SMELLING IT. I OVERHEARD MY PEOPLE TALKING. SOMETHING ABOUT NO PLACE TO PUT IT AND WAYNE'S CRACKED RIB. OH, WELL. AT LEAST I GOT TO "HELP" PAT WRAP PRESENTS. - GEORGE, THE PARSONAGE CAT

