

Prelude ~ “Mighty to Save”
Welcome & Announcements
Worship Leader: Kent Anderson

(• Please stand as you are able)

Christ’s Light Enters “Sanctuary”

• **Call to Worship**

By this I have known the presence of the Lord:

In the rising of the sun, in the smile of another’s face.

In the touch of a hand or the sound of a laugh,

In the scent of a flower, holding the promise of spring.

By this I have known the power of the Lord:

In the healing of hurts, in the forgiveness of sin,

In the giving of gifts beyond all expectation,

In the shower of love that comes from God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord with all of our heart!

Let us worship our God, whose presence and power endures forever!

• **Opening Song** “My Life is In You, Lord” #2032

Opening Prayer

Revealing and healing God, whose power was manifested in the ministry of Jesus, allow us to hear and see you at work again in this place of worship; that, spiritually lifted and cleansed, we may work with renewed energy to build your Kingdom through our daily lives. In the name of the one who spoke and acted with authority we pray. Amen.

The Psalm Psalm 111 #832
Liturgist: Harry Adams

Children’s Moment: Puppets
[After Children’s Moment, children may go to the nursery or return to their parents.]

Gospel Reading Mark 1:21-28

Sermon

“What Have You to Do with Us,
Jesus of Nazareth?” **Pastor Melanie Adams**

Song

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” #2129

Time of Prayer

(Where have you seen God’s presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)
Lord’s Prayer #895

Offertory “Step By Step”

The Doxology ~ “Give Thanks”

• **Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

Loving and Generous God, source of all we have, help us remember the tasks that you have set before us. Bless these gifts, that they may help continue the work we are called to do. Use this place and this congregation to reflect the love that Christ has shown us. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

• **Closing Song** “Grace Alone” #2162

• **Our Purpose**

What is our purpose?

We come to experience Christ’s love, and work together to live it out!

• **Benediction**

• **Benediction Response**

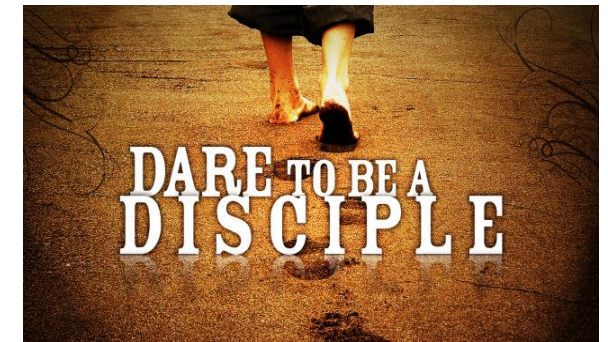
“Amazing Grace” (My Chains are Gone)

Postlude ~

PRAYERS

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God’s Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today. Jesus changes lives!



Sermon Series Beginning Feb. 11 -

A Disciple is...

This series will help you build an authentic, life-transforming, awesome relationship with Christ! No matter where you are in your journey of faith, this series will help you go further and dig deeper.

Events this week in church:

Sunday, January 28th

- 9:30 am Sunday school/Living Church
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Fellowship
- 11:45 am Discipleship Team room 203

Wednesday January 31st

- 5:45 pm Table Talk
- 6:00 pm Choir Practice

Sunday, February 4th

- 9:30 am Sunday school/Living Church
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Fellowship
- 11:45 am Discipleship Team, Room 203

COMING SOON



February 6th

- 7:00 pm Trustees

February 11th

- 11:30 pm All Church Potluck
- Youth Bake Sale/Auction

February 13th

- 7:00 pm Evening Cluster
- Beth Whisler's ~ 529 W. 5th

February 23rd

- Blood Drive

Thoughts to Ponder

Scripture insight: Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

- Proverbs 3:5-6 NRSV

A printed prayer to guide you: I give thanks to you, O God, my Creator. You have called me by name and know both my face and my inmost thoughts. Guide me to a fuller knowledge of myself that I may draw closer to you. Let me feel your presence in my daily life and know that your love is always with me. I ask this both for myself and for the people who pass through my mind and heart at this moment. *(Allow your mind to think of family, friends, neighbors, associates, and ask God to draw each of them into a deeper commitment to Christ.)*

Thank you, Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer. Amen.
(adapt fr. Alone w/God: A Guide for Personal Retreats, Upper Room Books, 1996)

Interested in Membership and/or Baptism?

Contact the church office to set up an appointment to visit with Pastor Melanie.

Welcome to our guests! We are glad you are here. We hope you were blessed by your experience at First United Methodist Church this morning and will tell a friend!

Sweetheart Wall:

Wedding photos wanted for our Sweetheart Tribute.

Please email or bring a wedding picture to the office with your name and wedding anniversary date included.



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