

Prelude ~ “Step by Step”

Welcome & Announcements
Worship Leader: Loren Swenson

Christ’s Light Enters “Sanctuary” #2164
**(Please stand as you are able)*

***Call to Worship**

Grit is what gives us the ability to persevere in life.

It is the ability to that helps us face and overcome challenges and obstacles.

It is the essential characteristic that sustains our lifelong pursuit of Jesus. Without grit, our faith wavers, distractions derail us, and our focus blurs.

As our spiritual grit grows, so does our passion for Jesus. As our Passion for Jesus grows, our relationship with Jesus deepens and we gain the courage we need for our life.

***Opening Hymn** “Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone”

Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father, awaken us this hour to the glory of Your presence in our midst. Shine among us in a way that the darkness without and within may be pushed back, such that we might truly see what is really real. May Your light within us shine through into worship this morning. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the light which is the light of all people. Amen.

Scripture Matthew 14:22-35
Liturgist: Joyce Swenson

Children’s Moment Jason Johnson

Sermon “All It Takes Is Grit” **Jason Johnson**

Call to Prayer “Lord I Lift Your Name on High” #2088

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 “Bright and Beautiful” Solo by Marilyn Benyshek
Accompanist: Marsha Doyenne

***The Doxology** “Give Thanks”

***Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

God, our light and salvation, your forgiveness brings joy and gladness. Thank you for welcoming us to worship with open arms. Thank you for inviting us to follow Jesus as disciples who love you and love our neighbors. Keep us close to you, for in your presence we live. We dedicate ourselves and our offerings to you. Let your will be done by these offerings and by your Spirit at work in us. Amen

***Closing Hymn** “In Christ Alone”

Our Purpose

What is our purpose?

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

Benediction

Benediction Response “My Life is in You, Lord” #2032

Postlude ~

Taking the 740 Prayer Initiative a Step Further

Please continue to pray for our church each day at 7:40 am or pm. Set your phone alarm to remind you! If you need a copy of the short 740 guide, there are extras in the ladder style organizer outside the sanctuary.

*“Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us.”
(Ephesians 3:20)*

This week let us focus on listening for the Holy Spirit’s still small voice guiding us in creative and effective ways to reach others with the transforming love of Christ. Let us also remember to give God thanks for our congregation and the work we are given to do in God’s name.

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!
Madison Mills and Family
Pray for RAIN!!!!

If you are interested in baptism and/or church membership, please call the office to make an appointment to talk with Pastor Melanie.

Huge thanks to everyone that volunteered your time for commodities!!! We greatly appreciate each and every one of you. ~
Lisa Valcoure & Lisa Brewer



Events this week in church:

Sunday, July 22nd

9:30 am Sunday school
10:30 am Worship Service
11:30 am Fellowship

Sunday, July 29th

9:30 am Sunday school
10:30 am Worship Service
11:30 am Fellowship

"Sittin' with Jesus"

Wednesdays in August

7 to 7:30 pm

Location: Chapel

A quiet place to come for a time of prayer.

Come as you are!

First United Methodist Church
Concordia
740 West Eleventh
785-243-4560

Please enter the building through the upper west doors then turn right to access the chapel.



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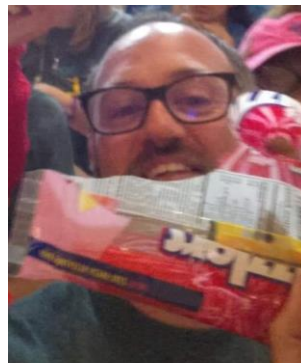
When you shop on Amazon they will donate .05% to FUMC.

It might not sound like much but it will add up quickly!!

See the bulletin board, our face book page, our website or the newsletter for more information on how to sign up.

Huge thanks to this guy for filling in for Pastor Melanie this week!!!

Jason Johnson you are appreciated greatly!!!



All It Takes Is Grit

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