

**Prelude ~**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Worship Leader: Angie Gabel-McConkey

**Christ's Light Enters**

*\*(Please stand as you are able)*

**\*Call to Worship**

As we gather in this sacred moment for a sacred purpose, let us make the most of our time together.

**We have come to worship the Lord our God.**

As we read scriptures, and sing songs, let us make the most of our time together.

**We have come to worship the Lord our God.**

As we respond to the melody in our hearts, let us make the most of our time together.

**We have come to worship the Lord our God!**

**\*Opening Hymn** "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" #158

**Opening Prayer**

**Loving and Merciful God, we come to you, confident that you will not reject us. Even with all of our human failings, your love continues to draw us together. Sing with us today, as we proclaim the good news of your grace. Speak to us today, as we celebrate the unity we share in Christ. How good it is to be together! Amen.**

**New Testament Reading** Ephesians 5:15-20

Liturgist: Patty Mosher Response: "The Word of God for the People of God" **All: Praise Be to God**

**Making Our Own Special Music** "Marching to Zion" #733 vs. 1 & 4

**Children's Moment** Jean Wilcox

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

**Old Testament Reading**

1 Kings 2:10-12; 3-3-14

**Sermon** "The Ideal You" **Pastor Melanie Adams**

**Response** "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" #2200

*Sing twice.*

**Time of Prayer**

*(Where have you seen God's presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?) Silent Prayer, Reflective Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer #895*

**Offertory**

**\*The Doxology** "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" #94

**\*Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

**Loving God, we offer ourselves with our gifts, confident that you have a purpose for them and for us. As we seek to be more godly, as we seek to more like you, help us embrace the new possibilities you place in our lives. We rededicate our lives at this altar. May our offerings reach beyond the barriers of our former thinking and doing. In the Spirit of Christ, we pray and live. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn** "I Will Trust in the Lord" #464

**Our Purpose**

What is our purpose? **We come to experience Christ's love, and work together to live it out!**

**Benediction**

**Benediction Response** "Let There Be Peace on Earth" #431

**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) May this be our prayer!*

This week you may want to lift up the events on our church calendar in the next month: Our new "Sittin' with Jesus" devotional and prayer time on Wednesday evenings; the work of the various committees and teams; Our Church on the Plaza worship on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>; Table Talk, which starts up again on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>.

## 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!

**Steve Corp**

(Gerald Campbell's Brother-in-law)

**Carol Fellhour**

(Dorothy Torgler's Daughter)

**Linda Haist**

(friend of Pam Campbell)

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

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## Thoughts to Ponder

What does the "ideal you" look like? What qualities do you hope to possess in order to be come closer to the you God designed you to be? What is your spiritual plan for becoming the ideal you?

## "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

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

You are invited to attend the REvival Services August 22, 23, and 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm at the **Trinity United Methodist Church**. Pastor Melanie will be preaching on Thursday night.

### Events this week in church:

#### Sunday, August 19th

9:30 am Sunday school  
10:30 am Worship Service  
11:30 am Fellowship  
11:30 am Missions  
5:30 pm Spaghetti Dinner

#### Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

5:30 pm ADCO

#### Wednesday, August 22nd

5:30 pm Ice Cream Social

#### Sunday, August 26th

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



Save the date for the  
**Annual UMM Ice Cream  
Social**

**Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**5:30 pm to 7:00 pm**

Join us for fun, fellowship  
and fantastic dessert.

Free will offering accepted.  
Offering goes towards Boiler  
Campaign.

## IMPACT

Mission Experience  
Sharing & Free  
Spaghetti Dinner

**Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 pm**

Fellowship Hall



Please RSVP to the church  
office by Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>,  
243-4560.



**August 19, 2018**

## First United Methodist Church

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