**Prelude** ~ Pam Campbell

## **Welcome & Announcements**

Worship Leader: Loren Swenson

# **Christ's Light Enters**

\*(Please stand as you are able)

# \*Call to Worship

God is very near to us.

We come together to praise God who lives and dwells among us. We gather, longing for the breath of God's Spirit to give us courage and renewal.

We come, eagerly awaiting God's renewing touch on our souls and in our lives, through the transforming power of Jesus Christ.

\*Opening Song "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #140

# **Opening Prayer**

God of this day, and all days, we praise you with joy! You take our weary lives and refresh us with your Holy Spirit. Our lives so often seem broken and filled with despair. Heal us this day, God, and make us new as we gather to worship You. Amen.

The Psalm Psalm 121 #844

Liturgist: Lori Raccagno

Children's Message Wendy Holt

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 4:18-20, 11:28, 18:19-20

Sermon "Mrs. Persnickle Becomes an Evangelist"
Pastor Melanie Adams

**Calling Us to Prayer** 

"All I Need Is You"

#2080

# **Sharing of Prayers: Celebrations and Concerns**

(Where have you seen God's presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)

Silent Meditation & Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer #895

The Offering

Doxology #94

# Offertory Prayer [Unison]

Gracious and Generous God, we believe that these offerings make a difference. We give them freely and with joy, because we believe in the work you have called us to do. May these gifts, our service and our witness help change hearts and transform lives. In Christ we pray. Amen.

\* Closing Song

"The Church of Christ, In Every Age" vs. 1,3,5 #589 (using tune: #408)

# \*Our Purpose

What is our purpose?

To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples.
BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!

Benediction

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

**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!



Family of Daren Drury
(Gary Strait's brother)
Pastor Scott Tempero
Ted Thoman
Traveling Mercies for the
IMPACT group during
their Mission Trip

# 740 Prayer Initiative

The 740 Prayer Initiative Continues! You are encouraged to set your phones for 7:40 am or pm each day to spend a few moments in prayer for our congregation and the mission and ministry we are called to do. Or choose another time of day that works for you. Just remember to pray!

Please ask God to continue to work in us and through us; to do new things that are beyond our imagining. Ephesians 3:20 says, "Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us."

Please ask that God gives us what we need to continue with ministries that are truly touching hearts and minds of people who may not normally be part of our congregation. Remember, God is at work! Pray for these ministries.

Also, pray about inviting and bringing a friend, family member, business associate, or neighbor to worship with you. Who do you know that God is calling you to invite? Ask God to open a door for conversation with and invitation to someone you know.

# Events this week in church: Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>:

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9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
11:30 am Fellowship
Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>:

5:30 pm Sittin' With Jesus
Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>:
10:00 am Safe Sleep Class
Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>:

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service

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!



11:30 am Fellowship

THURSDAY, JUNE 27TH
10:00 AM - PARLOR
SAFE SLEEP CLASS
LEARN SAFE SLEEP
TECHNIQUES
OPEN TO EVERYONE
GRANDPARENTS~
THIS IS A MUST FOR YOU



### **Thoughts to Ponder**

What do you believe Jesus meant when he said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is too such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." What does this mean for our church? For you personally as you seek to follow Christ?

Also, here is the Apostle Paul's list of the Fruit of the Spirit for your personal meditation time: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

What is God saying to you through this list?





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