

Prelude ~

Pam Campbell

Welcome & Announcements

Worship Leader: Loren Swenson

Christ's Light Enters

**(Please stand as you are able)*

***Call to Worship**

Almighty God, we call upon you today.

Come into our lives.

Hear our collective voice.

Speak to each of us.

Acknowledge our dedication to you.

May we be an example of your everlasting love.

***Opening Song** "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" #474

Prayer of Confession:

Dear Lord, I recognize that you are so important in my life. It is truly my desire to do what you have chosen for me to do in Your name. Sometimes I get tired or confused and make questionable choices. Please help me to welcome you into my life each day. I ask that You take away the clutter in my life so that I can hear Your voice, and see Your direction for my life. Thank you for your patience, never ending love and grace. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 17: 7-8

Liturgist: Marvin Petersen

Children's Message

Jean Wilcox

Sermon

"Why On Earth Am I Here"

Wendy Holt, Lay Leader

Song of Response

"Here I Am, Lord"

#593

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 "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" #94

Offertory Prayer [Unison]

Bless you, Lord, for providing a good life for us. We know You have shown us goodness. We thank You for the opportunity to give back these gifts to further do Your work. Use us and what we have gathered, to glorify You.

*** Closing Song** "This is My Song" vs. 3 #437

***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

Wendy Holt

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

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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!

Genevieve Heath

Tim Holt

Dallas & Nancy Nading

Peggy McConkey

(Mark McConkey's mom)

Richard Swenson



740 Prayer Initiative

Please continue to pray for the mission and ministry of our church. You are invited to set your phone alarm 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!

Ask God to give us the vision, passion, energy, wisdom, love, patience, and faith we need to help people in their faith journeys, and to undertake mission work which makes a real difference in the lives of real people. May the work we do help to transform lives!
"Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us." - Eph. 3:20

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 an invitation to someone you know.

God is at work through us!

Events this week in church:

Sunday, July 28th:

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

Wednesday, July 31st:

5:30 pm Sittin' With Jesus

Thursday, August 1st:

12:15 pm UMW Executive
1:00 pm UMW General

Sunday, August 4th:

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

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!



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