

**Prelude ~** Jeannie Wilson  
**Welcome/Announcements** Melanie Adams  
**Growth in Gratitude Movement** Lisa Brewer

**Christ's Light Enters**  
*\*(Please stand as you are able)*

**\*Call to Worship**  
It is God our Maker who sets us free to live,  
**Who calls us into a community of freedom and commitment?**  
It is Jesus our Christ who has blazed the trail of new life,  
**Who has gone before us to overcome sin and death?**  
It is the Spirit of peace that binds us as one,  
**Who flows among us like a healing river, and sends us out to share God's love?**

**\* Singing Our Praise** "Standing on the Promises" #374

**Opening Prayer**  
Gracious God, we hear you calling. You have shown us hope and you offer us courage. We come to you as people who long to walk your pathways of grace and love. But many times, God, we get discouraged by our living. We are afraid of the difficult experiences; we despair at challenges that come our way. The roads we walk find us weary sometimes, and we let hopelessness get the best of us. Care for us on our journey God. Help us to know that your love is always there, sustaining us, and surrounding us with care. Take our road-weary lives and transform us to be your new people, shining your light in the darkness. Amen.

**The Psalm** Psalm 19 #750  
Liturgist: Nonnie Steinert

**Presentation of UMW Mission Pins** Nonnie Steinert

**Children's Message** Mary Thoman

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 28:16-20

**Message** "Evangelism" Pastor Melanie Adams  
Week 3 of Series: *Four Dirty Words*

**Sharing of Prayers: Gratitude and Challenges**  
*(Where have you seen God's presence? What gratitude and/or challenge is in your heart or on your mind?)*

**Silent Meditation & Pastoral Prayer**  
**Lord's Prayer** #895

**The Offering**

**Doxology** #95

**Offertory Prayer [Unison]**  
We bring these offerings because of the love you have poured out on us in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Your gift calls for a response that cannot be contained in envelopes or baskets. Nothing less than all we have and all we are is good enough to dedicate to your will and purposes. With awe and wonder, joy, relief and gratitude, we bring you all we have to give – ourselves. Use us, that your realm may be realized among all people. Amen.

**\* Closing Song** "I Love to Tell the Story" vs. 1,4 #156

**\*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** Pastor Melanie Adams

**Benediction Response** "Freely, Freely," *refrain only* #389

**Postlude ~** Jeannie Wilson

## 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!



**Gerald Campbell**

**Dottie Mead**

(Dan Waterman's sister)

**Nancy Smith**

**Family of Myron Steinert**

**Clyde Thompson**

**Glen Torgler**

**Beth Whisler**

**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!

## Reflecting with Gratitude on Community Engagement

Keep those gratitude slips for the paper chain coming!! We are at 1/3 of our goal. If you need more slips, please see Lisa Brewer in the office.

Thank you to everyone who volunteers their time to help those in need in our community. Also, to everyone who invites friends and family to join us for worship. Your time and talent are a reminder that Jesus called us to seek him out in the least, the lost, and the lowly and to care for him there. Thank you also for each time you tell the good news of what God is doing in this place as a way to invite others to journey with us. Much Gratitude for all of you!!



Pledge brochures for 2020 are available in the office and by email. Please bring or email your pledge form to the church by Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>.

### Events this week in church:

**Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>:**

**UMW Sunday**

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

11:30 am Fellowship

4:15 pm **Hay Rack Ride**

**Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>:**

5:30 pm ADCO

Haunted House Build

**Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

5:00 pm Sittin' With Jesus

5:30 pm Choir Practice

5:45 pm Table Talk Meal

6:30 pm Table Talk Classes

**Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>:**

**Commitment Sunday**

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

11:30 am Fellowship

11:30 am Missions

5:00 pm YOGA

### Sermon Series: Four Dirty Words

The words in this series aren't actually dirty words, but too often we behave as if they are.

A mixture of humor and seriousness, these sermons will examine the following:

Oct. 6 God

Oct. 13 Holy Spirit

Oct. 20 Evangelism

Oct. 27 Bible

### Hay Rack Ride Info:

3:30 pm Meet @ Church or  
Meet @ Swenson's by 4:00

4:15 pm Hay Rack Ride

**Bring a Side Dish!!**

Hotdogs, buns, s'mores &  
water provided.



**October 20, 2019**

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Rev. Melanie Adams, Pastor



**Join us on November 3<sup>rd</sup> after church  
for Pizza, Layette Set Assembly, and  
Haunted House Tear-Down!**