### Events this week in church:

Sunday, Oct. 25

9:30 am Crusaders

10:30 am Worship Service

Sunday, Nov. 1

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10:30 am Worship Service



#### Yoga resumes in November 1,2020



# LAYETTE SETS We are collecting items to assemble 75 Layette Sets! Packages of Blankets are also available in the entry to pick-up and sew! All items need to be returned by November 1st.

## Need a Softer Place to Sit? Contribute to the Pew Cushion Fund today!

Sample pew cushion available on the small pew in the narthex.



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.



October 25, 2020
First United Methodist
Church

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> Monday: 8:00-3:30 Tuesday: 9:30-3:30 Wednesday: 8-3:30 Thursday: 8-3:30 Friday: Office Closed

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Prelude ~ Pam Campbell, organist Welcome & Announcements Worship Leader: Angie Gabel-McConkey

(• Please stand as you are able)

**Welcoming the Light of Christ** 

#### \*Call to Worship

Come, let us worship God with open and joyful hearts! **Our hope comes from God!** 

God alone is our rock and our salvation.

God is our fortress. We shall not be shaken.

Let us place our trust in God at all times.

We rejoice in the faithfulness of God!

\*Opening Hymn "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" #514

#### **Opening Prayer**

On this fall morning, we come to you with open hearts, Creator God. We give you thanks for your son, Jesus, whom you sent to show us the way. We celebrate the work of your Holy Spirit among us, which prods us and guides us. And we look forward to this time of worship in which we can focus on you. Amen.

**The Psalm** Psalm 62: 5-12 #787

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 25:14-30

#### Sermon

"Lessons from Horace, the One-Talent Servant"

**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 with meditation song

**Offertory Prayer with the** 

**Blessing of Our 2021 Commitments** 

Accept these gifts, Gracious God, for we bring them with joy. We are so grateful for your grace and mercy offered to us each day. That is why we give freely. We also pledge our commitment, here and now, to support the mission and ministry of our congregation through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our wit-ness. We do this gladly, so that the world will know that your love is real, and it is for all. In Christ we pray. Amen.

(portions taken from UMC membership vows)

**Closing Song** "Blest Be the Tie the Binds" #557

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

Postlude ~



#### **PRAYERS**

Family of Mel Steinle Sheila Flesher (Member at Trinity)

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!