

**Prelude ~** Pam Campbell, organist

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Worship Leader: Angie Gabel-McConkey**

**Christ's Light Enters**

*(• Please stand as you are able)*

**\* Call to Worship**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Therefore let us praise God with all our heart, soul, mind  
and strength.

**Amen!**

**Opening Hymn** "Lift High the Cross" #159

*organ only*

**Opening Prayer**

**Gracious and Loving God, we gather here as your people; individuals, yet one body in Christ. May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you. And may we find nourishment for our souls in our time of worship. In the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

**The Psalm** Psalm 116 #837

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 14:13-21

**Sermon** "What Are Your Limitations?"

**Rev. Melanie Adams**

**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

**\* Doxology** #95 *organ only*

**Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

**Lord Jesus, all that we have is yours, and all that we are is yours. In offering these tokens of our lives, may all that we do serve you to the glory of God. Amen.**

**Hymn of Sending Forth** "Precious Lord"

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**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**

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!

**Readiness 360**

First United Methodist Church needs YOUR input! Take the Readiness 360 survey.

Dear Congregation,  
Beginning on Feb. 8th you will have an opportunity to help the leadership of our church determine the direction of our church's mission and ministry by completing an online survey. We are beginning a planning process called "Readiness 360" or R-360 for short.

R-360 is an online survey tool designed to help congregations Identify opportunities for strengthening our multiplication DNA through assessing our 1) spiritual intensity, 2) dynamic relationships, 3) missional alignment, and 4) cultural openness. After a critical mass within our congregation takes the online survey, we will report back our findings and discover next steps together. Watch for an email which will include instructions on how to log in and take the survey. Each member of your household (teenage and up) are invited to take this survey. If you do not have internet access and want to take the R-360 survey, please call the church office and you will be assigned a proxy who will help you with taking the survey. The world around us is changing rapidly and the church needs to do what it takes to make and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ. We are excited to begin this process.

For the good of the mission field,  
Rev. Melanie Adams  
and the Administrative Council

**Events this week in church:**  
**Sunday, February 21, 2021**  
10:30 am    Worship Service

**Monday, February 22, 2021**  
5:30 ADCO

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021**  
5:00pm    Sitting With Jesus

**Sunday, February 27, 2021**  
10:30 am    Worship Service



**Missions Buckets**  
**“Noisy Offering” for February**

**Mission Agency**  
**Support**



**Lenten Boxes will be available after the**  
**Ash Wednesday Service on February 17th.**

**All proceeds go to Mission Agency Support.**

### **740 Breakthrough Prayer Initiative**

Let's surround our congregation with  
prayer once again!

### **Concordia First United Methodist Church**

Set your phones to remind yourself to stop at 7:40am and/or 7:40pm each day  
to pray for our church and the mission and ministry we are called to do.

What is breakthrough prayer: Breakthrough prayer is a petition  
to God to do new things, beyond our imagining, bigger than we could possibly  
do on our own-without boundaries, without limits, without anticipated  
outcome.

“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).

“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord. Plans to prosper you  
and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a  
future. (Jeremiah 29:11).

Please pray that:

\*God would lead us and equip us for the living out of 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.

\*God would help us to break through our limitations, to open our minds, and  
to embolden our hearts to live out God's vision.

\*God would help each of us to be a follower of Jesus Christ committed to  
being part of the Body of Christ (living a life of worship & hospitality),  
Becoming more like Jesus (living a life opening to & obeying Jesus), and Joining  
Jesus in ministry (living a life of service & a life of generosity).

Include your own Prayers of thanks and Petition for your personal life, for the  
community, for the world.

**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.



**February 21, 2021**

**First United Methodist Church**

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