Events this week in church: Sunday, April 25, 2021

9:30am Crusaders Class9:30am Searchers Class10:30 am Worship Service

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

5:00pm Sitting with Jesus

Sunday, May 2, 2021

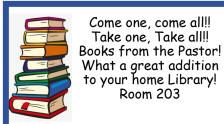
9:00am Change the World Sunday

Upcoming Events:

May 23, 2021 @ 2:00pm

Fishing for Fellowship at the Kocher's Pond







CTW Sunday, May 2nd

9:00-9:30 am: Church Service in Sanctuary
9:30 am-Noon: Projects & Random Acts of Kindness
Noon-1:00 pm: Lunch in Fellowship Hall
12:30 pm: Sharing Projects

1:00-1:30 pm: Snaring Project



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We need to Replenish our Pantry Stores!

Instead of asking for food donations for the CTW event, we ask that you help fill the food box in the entry of the church!



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T-Shirts are Available!

Plan to wear one of your Concordia FUMC T-Shirts to the Change the World Event!



T-shirts are available for a suggested donation of \$5 each.



April 25, 2021 First United Methodist Church

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Rev. Melanie Adams, Pastor

Prelude ~

Jeannie Wilson, organist

Welcome & Announcements

Worship Leader: Loren Swenson

Christ's Light Enters

(• Please stand as you are able)

*Call to Worship

Let us give thanks and praise God together!

Praise the Lord, O my soul.

Let us praise God as long as we have breath.

We will sing praises to God every day of our lives!

Let us worship our God with joy and awe.

Praise God! (uses Psalm 146 paraphrase)

*Opening Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #139

*Opening Prayer

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

The Psalm Psalm 111 #832

Children's Moment Pastor Melanie Adams

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 40:28-31

New Testament Reading James 1:2-6, 12-17

Sermon "Counting it as Joy"

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 #94

*Offertory Prayer [Unison]

All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. When our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You sent Jesus to be our Savior. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have in union with Christ's offering for us. By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other and one in ministry to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

*Closing Song "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" #133

*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!

740 Prayer initiative

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

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.