

Events this week in church:

Sunday, April 25, 2021

- 9:30am Crusaders Class
- 9:30am Searchers Class
- 10:30 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: Lunch Cleanup



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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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**Missions
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for Food
& Supplies**



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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.**



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April 25, 2021
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**Happy
Birthday**

- 25 ~ LISA VALCOURE
- 27 ~ DAVIN STRAIT
- 27 ~ PAUL NELSON
- 28 ~ PATTY MOSHER
- 30 ~ NANCY WENTZ
- 30 ~ LOREN SWENSON
- MAY 1 ~ JAGGER JOHNSON



**Come one, come all!!
Take one, Take all!!
Books from the Pastor!
What a great addition
to your home Library!
Room 203**



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!

7:40 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.