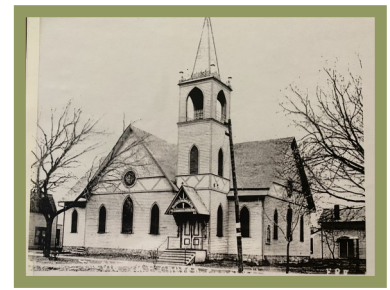
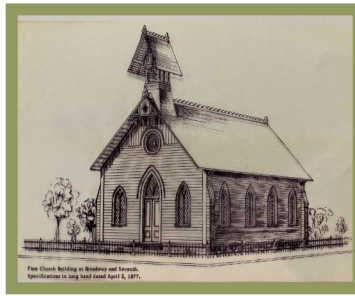


September
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150th Anniversary
of First United
Methodist Church!

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Revelation



Friends,

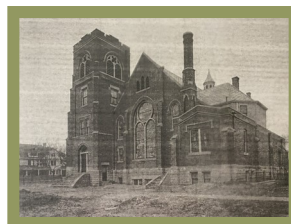
My friends in Korea are getting their Covid-19 vaccine. Some have gotten their first, while others have second done. They are telling me that things are worse than ever, with more than a thousand people infected a day. Because of social distancing, businesses are suffering, and people are tired. Their biggest worry is for the kids, as they are back in school. Things were getting better until Delta variant became the dominant virus.

Things are getting worse everywhere. We hear about the numbers in our county and we know it is getting worse here, too. There have been no changes in conference recommendation since our bishop encouraged us to wear masks in church. According to the report from The New York Times, our county had 8 new cases and seven-day average 6. This puts us at “Critical” in the conference guideline (as of August 24).

Our church leaders had a long conversation about the situation. Of course we all agree the safety of our congregation is the most Important thing. Conference guideline recommend “online option only,” but we chose to continue with our in-person service, as most of us have been fully vaccinated, with a few stipulations. We want to do everything we can to ensure our safety.

- We will not have coffee on Sunday mornings.
- We will not congregate at narthex area after the service.
- We will social-distance in the sanctuary.
- We will encourage each other to wear mask.
- We will not shake hands.
- We will use hand sanitizers frequently.

Friends, I love being with you. Worshipping with you, I feel, is the best way to worship. I can almost see the Holy Spirit sitting among you, lifting every one of you up. Music is awesome, and seeing you is awesome, too. I do want you to be safe and healthy. Yet, I do want us to get together for worship. Please do what you can to help us continue worshipping together. I trust your judgment in attending the service.



Enhanced Online Giving

Additional options have been enabled for online giving through our web site. You can access [Online Giving](#) or scan the QR code with your phone.



Through online giving, you have the option to give with a credit card or to setup direct deposit from your checking account. These gifts can be setup for a one-time gift or as a recurring gift. There is even an option to increase your gift to cover the cost of credit card processing fees!

We encourage you to create an account using the e-mail address you receive e-mails on from the church so your giving is associated with your account in the ChurchTrac membership system and will appear on your annual giving statement. By creating an account, you will also have access to all of the giving options mentioned above. If you do not want to create an account, there is an option to give as a guest.

T-Shirts Available

Do you still need a Church T-shirt? They are available from the Church Office for a suggested donation of \$5 - \$10.



Food Distribution

THANKS! THANKS! THANKS! To an amazing group of people who help with the Commodities food Distribution! You make a lot of work feel like a lot of fun!

August Commodities:

91 Boxes were sent out with the community!

29 families

19 couples

48 singles

For a total of 187 people served and 18 volunteers!



Missions and Outreach

Thank you for your gifts of \$330.73 for Reelfoot Ministries in August!

We have received a grant from the Cloud County Community Foundation of \$1,500 to help with our Layette Sets Project this year! Our church is the only organization that makes the layette sets and our goal this year is to make 75 sets (each set costs about \$30 to make).



Donation of items needed for Layette Set includes:

Diapers (size 1 or 2) – MOST NEEDED ITEM!

Baby Wipes

Baby Shampoo (full size bottles)

Onesies – one piece undershirt with snaps (size 0-3 or 3-6 months)

Baby Socks (size 0-3 or 3-6 months)

Please no premie size diapers, onesies, or socks! The layette sets may not be delivered immediately after birth and we want the items included to fit the baby!

Items can be left in the baby carriage in the church entry starting on **Sunday, September 19th**. Please bring all items by **Sunday October 31st**. We know that it may be difficult to get out to purchase or even find these items. **If you prefer to make a monetary donation, Missions buckets will be passed on September 19th for this project.**

We also need volunteers to sew blankets again this year. All of the fabric has been purchased and will be cut to size in advance. **Materials will be ready for pickup in late September.**

Watch for more details in October on the plan for assembling the sets in early November!

Little Free Pantry



If you would like to help feed those in our community who are food insecure, we ask you to place items directly into the pantry at your convenience. If you prefer, you can also make a monetary donation to help purchase food for the pantry. This helps us to provide a variety of food on a daily basis.

Thanks to those that have been placing food from our store in the pantry daily: Pam Campbell, Cindy Kocher, Jan Novlan, Nancy Wentz, and Lisa Valcoure!

Cloud County Resource Center Needs

The Food Bank is open and accepting donations of cash or food items for distribution on **Monday and Friday from 9 am – 12 pm and Wednesday from 9 am – 2 pm.**



The CCRC and Concordia Senior Center will be hosting the **Sister Ramona Medina Memorial Fall Fest Art Show on September 25th** and could use volunteers to help with the event.

If you would like to volunteer for any of the activities listed above, please contact Tonya Merrill at 785-243-1065 or ccrc@nckcn.com.

Meals on Wheels

The Senior Center is looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels. To volunteer, contact the Senior Center at 243-1872. Meals on Wheels provides a hot meal and human contact for the home-bound.

A poster for a Fall Fest Meeting with a background of autumn leaves. The text is centered and reads:

Fall Fest Meeting
August 29, 2021
11:30am
Church Parlor
We need everyone's input
to plan this this event!
Looking for people to plan,
cook, serve and clean up!

150 years old!!!

Many plans are in the process for Celebrating the 150 year Anniversary of Concordia First United Methodist Church! Eudora Petersen, History and Archives Chairman, has been very busy going through our history. She has been telling some amazing stories. Some of her stories will come to life during our Sunday morning services starting in September until the end of the year. You will not want to miss this as there may even be some of your own family in the stories and pictures!

There will also be a display of pictures and memorabilia in the meeting room across the hall from the Parlor. It has been interesting to see where our church began and where it is now.



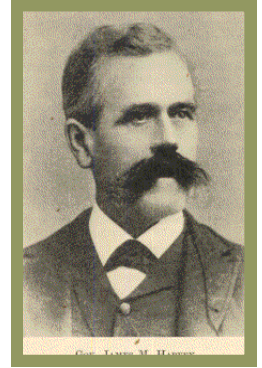
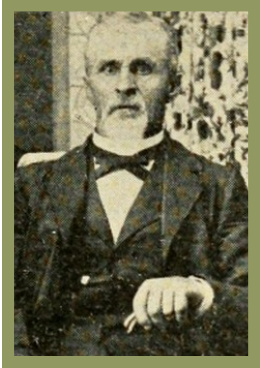
Table Talk to Resume!

Wednesday night Table Talk to return September 15, 2021 for all ages! Watch for more details as the Christian Ed. Committee put these plans in place.



September History Trivia Contest

How much do you know about the History of our Church! We have an amazing lady in our own church who can tell us almost every fact known! Who is this lady you ask? If you guessed Eudora Petersen, you are right! Below you will find a trivia test from Eudora!



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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Ulysses Grant | 6. George E. Hibner |
| 2. James M. Harvey | 7. N.D. Hagaman |
| 3. Edmond Ross | 8. R.P. West |
| 4. Samuel G Pomeroy | 9. E.J. Jenkins |
| 5. H.E. Allen | 10. H.C. Graham |

Answers (Not in Order)

1. Preached the first Methodist sermon in Concordia.
2. Governor of Kansas in 1871.
3. President of the United States in 1871.
4. Head of the new Federal Land Office in Concordia. Wrote the book titled "The Northern Tier" that contains the first Methodist sermon in Concordia. He has a secretary copy it as it was given.
5. First Mayor of Concordia.
6. Senator from Kansas who voted against the impeachment of President Andrew Johnson then resigned and became the Governor of the New Mexico Territory.
7. Cloud County Sheriff.
8. One of the longest serving Senators from Kansas.
9. Cloud county Clerk.
10. First Full-time minister assigned to the Concordia Methodist Church by the District. Superintendent 1872. No more Circuit riders.

Federal Marshall Wyatt Earp was in charge of the 1880 Census of Kansas...



2 Gene Saltzman

3 ~ Emma Waterman

6 ~ Gene Johnson

8 ~ Joan Lawton

12 ~ Rachel Hasch

13 ~ Hershel Hutchinson

13 ~ Audrey Krohn-Weir

15 ~ Crystal Wilson

16 Jodi Rehbein

18 ~ Jan Novlan

18 ~ David Edwards

26 ~ Amanda Waterman

26 ~ Madelyn Stiles

29 ~ Brandon Ruud

29 ~ Kale Pearson

CHURCH ON THE PLAZA

PRESENTS:



FIRST-EVER OLYMPIC GAMES!



Join Concordia First United Methodist Church
On Sunday - September 12th - At 9:30 AM
Church Service Will Begin At 9:30 - Followed By
Brunch - Followed By Fellowship & Games
All Located At the Concordia Broadway Plaza

What You Will Want To Bring With You:

- A Chair for Service
- A Brunch Item to Share
- Comfy Shoes for Becoming an Olympian
- ALL Ages Will Be Able To Participate!



Sunday Morning Volunteers

	September 5	September 12	September 19	September 26	October 3	October 10	October 17
Worship Leader		Jason Johnson					
Sound		Jason Johnson					
Media		Lisa Valcoure					
Greeters		Angie Gabel-McConkey					
Nursery		-----					
Children's Moment		Jason Johnson					
Scripture Reader	Carly Brown						
Coffee Bar	Donna Reedy	-----					
Ushers							
Acolytes							

If you would like to Volunteer for one of the above, please let the church office know. Thank you in advance!
785-243-4560

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

September 2021

1

5:30pm
Sittin with Jesus

2

3

4

5

9:30am Crusaders
9:30am Searchers
10:30am Worship
11:30am Missions

6

7

7:00pm
Trustees

8

5:30pm
Sittin with Jesus

9

10

11

12

9:30am Church
On the Plaza!
Meal and Activities
To Follow!

13

7:00pm
Finance

14

15

5:30pm
Sittin with Jesus

16

1:00pm UMW

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19

9:30am Crusaders
9:30am Searchers
10:30am Worship

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5:30pm
ADCO

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5:30pm
Sittin with Jesus

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Fall Fest!

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9:30am Crusaders
9:30am Searchers
10:30am Worship

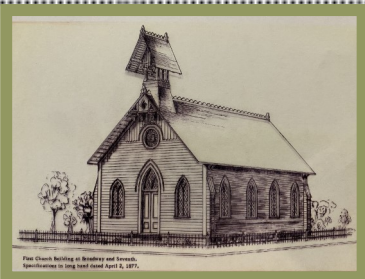
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5:30pm
Sittin with Jesus

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First Church Building at Brimley and Lovers. Specifications to Long used issued April 12, 1871.

1871-2021





Concordia First United Methodist Church

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Pastor: Rev. Kibum Kim

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Sunday Services:

Crusaders: 9:30am

Searchers: 9:30am

Worship: 10:30am

Wednesday:

Sittin' with Jesus 5:00pm