

August 2022



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Revelation

A note from your Pastor,

Prayer seems to be a simple act. Yet, there are many ways to define it. Run a Google search and see how many results you get. “Oxford Languages” define it as “a solemn request for help or expression of thanks addressed to God or an object of worship.” “Dictionary.com” says it is “a devout petition to God or an object of worship.” In “Merriam-Webster” dictionary, it is “an address (such as petition) to God or a god in word or thought.” I assure you that there are a lot more. Even as it seems to be a simple act, it means different things to different people.

One thing that is clear in these definitions is that prayer is not unique to Christians. People of other religions pray to their god or gods. Have you ever wondered what they pray for? My guess is their prayers are not that different from ours. This is not to say that their act of prayer is the same as ours. I do not know enough about the practices of prayer in other religions. Then, I wonder how much I know about our own practice of prayer. In our tradition there are at least a few different practices of prayer.

What are the things we need to know about prayer? What are the practices and meanings of prayer? What are the things we learn from the prayers in the Scripture? For the next five Sundays, I’d like to invite you to think about the lessons in prayer in our scripture. Pastor Adam Hamilton of the Church of the Resurrection developed the series and offered Bible studies to go with the sermons. The Bible Study will be posted on Facebook daily. To be clear, the sermons I will be preaching are my own, even though I go by the sermon texts he suggested. You will also hear what prayer means to me, and how it has been shaping my spiritual life. I hope and pray that you will join us in worship.

Kibum Kim, Pastor
First/Trinity United Methodist Church



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.

Missions and Outreach

Thanks for supporting missions activity in our church! In July, we collected \$110.25 for the Cloud County Resource Center to use for school supplies and the food bank. We also collected 184 school supply items.

Did you know we have a **Good Samaritan Fund**? Donations given to this fund are available to our pastor to provide confidential assistance to those who are in need of paying for utility bills, rental deposits, or other financial assistance. On Sunday, August 21st we will pass the Missions Buckets to help replenish our Good Samaritan Fund!



Little Free Pantry



We continue to see regular use of the Little Free Pantry. Please be mindful of items placed in the pantry that could easily spoil in warm conditions. 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.

Food Distribution

There were no Commodities in July, although we were still able to help a few families that called in needing food. We had 1 single person and 4 families for a total of 27 total people helped. The next Commodities will be August 17, 2022. All help is appreciated!

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 homebound.



Cloud County Resource Center Needs

The Food Bank is open and accepting donations of cash or food items for distribution on **Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.**



Volunteers are needed to help with School Bag pickup on the following days in August:

August 1st from 1:00 – 6:00 pm

August 2nd from 5:00 – 7:00 pm

August 3rd from 1:00 – 5:00 pm

August 8th from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Healthy Congregations



Our congregation will participate in the [Good Neighbor Experiment](#) (GNE) starting in August 2022. GNE is a cohort-based learning process for congregations who wish to engage their community as neighbors. The process includes three virtual workshops, four action-based “Labs” of small group materials each six weeks long, and congregational coaching for churches; all occurring over a nine month period. Contact Nancy Wentz if you would like to join the team!

Ladies Coffee at Jitters





Church on the Plaza
September 11, 2022

9:00 am - Noon

Bring a side dish to share!

Bring your Friends!!!

All Church Activities after Worship!

Watch for further Details!



FALL FEST

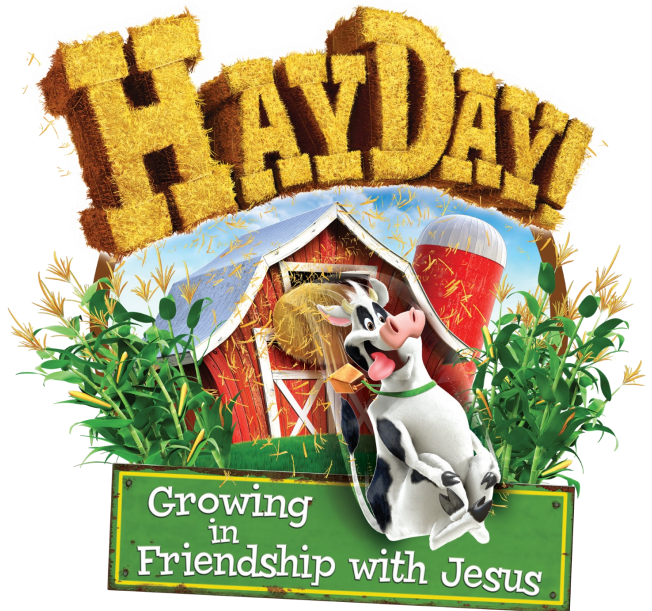
is just around the corner!
Time to make plans for our Booth!
We are looking for people to help!
More information and meeting
date coming soon!



Church Picnic July 24, 2022



VBS July 10-12, 2022

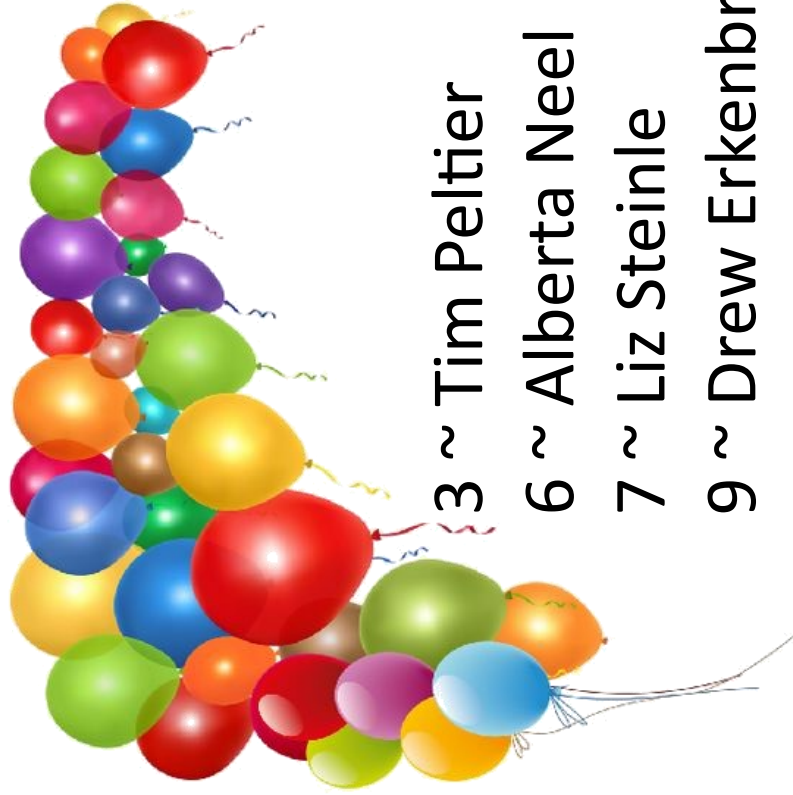




Birthdays!

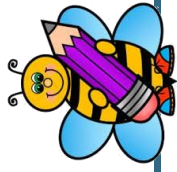
Happy

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| 3 ~ Tim Peltier | 17 ~ Darin Pearson |
| 6 ~ Alberta Neel | 17 ~ Jill Halstead |
| 7 ~ Liz Steinle | 21 ~ Willie Lawrence |
| 9 ~ Drew Erkenbrack | 22 ~ Ethan Fields |
| 9 ~ Kyle Palmquist | 22 ~ Jordan Terrill |
| 9 ~ Amanda Morgan | 22 ~ Phil Gilliland |
| 9 ~ Debbie Krohn | 25 ~ Marsha Pounds |
| 11 ~ Cassidy Brown | 27 ~ Derek Holmes |
| 12 ~ Jason Johnson | 28 ~ Joel Parker |
| 12 ~ Haylee Terrill | 29 ~ Jeremy Mildfeldt |
| 15 ~ Garrett Lawrence | 30 ~ Kasey Pearson |





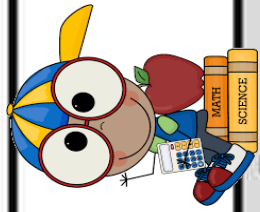
Sunday Morning Volunteers



August	7	14	21	28
Worship Leader			Cindy Kocher	
Sound	Monte			
Media	Nancy			
Greeters				
Nursery Helpers	Jan/	Jan/	Jan/	Jan/
Children's Moment	xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Scripture Reader				
Ushers	Lyle/	Lyle/	Lyle/	Lyle/
Acolytes				
Coffee Bar	Marsha Wentz	Marsha Wentz	Marsha Wentz	Marsha Wentz

Sunday Morning Volunteers Please gather for prayer with
 Pastor Kibum in the Chapel at 10:20am.

Please Contact the Church Office if you can help with any of the Volunteer Opportunities!



AUGUST 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 5:00 Sitting with Jesus	4	5	6
7 9:30 Crusaders 9:30 Searchers 10:30 Worship 11:30 Missions	8 5:30 FUMC Council	9	10 5:00 Sitting with Jesus	11	12 	13
14 9:30 Crusaders 9:30 Searchers 10:30 Worship	15 5:30 Missions & Ministry	16	17 10:00 Commodities 5:00 Sitting with Jesus	18	19	20 9:00 Ladies Coffee at Jitters
21 9:30 Crusaders 9:30 Searchers 10:30 Worship	22	23	24 5:00 Sitting with Jesus	25	26	27
28 9:30 Crusaders 9:30 Searchers 10:30 Worship	29	30	31 5:00 Sitting with Jesus			



Concordia First United Methodist Church

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Sunday Services:

Crusaders: 9:30am

Searchers: 9:30am

Worship: 10:30am

Wednesday Night Services:

Sittin' with Jesus 5:00pm