

October 2022



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Revelation

A note from your Pastor,

As I am writing this, Florida is under evacuation order. Hurricane Ian is about to run through the state. It had caused a lot of destruction in Cuba already. There were severe Typhoon in Southeast Asia. There has been so much devastation due to severe weather events all over the world. In the meantime, there are droughts in many parts of the world. I was told that Concordia has not seen a drought like this year's for a long time. There is too much water in one place while there are places where people need water desperately.

Have you ever wondered why God is not moving all the water from where it is flooded to where people need water? Surely, God can do it, right? Then, why not? Even though weather events are viewed as 'evil,' it is one of the causes of human suffering. Whether human activities are making it worse or not is an important existential conversation to have, and more and more people believe we must do more to reduce climate change. Whether you agree with it or not, the creation narrative tells us that God entrusted humans with the care of his creation. Having dominion over God's creation does not mean that we have the power to abuse it. It means that we are given the role of caretaker.

What can we do? Climate change is a global problem, and I am just one person? What difference can I make? I think of the words in "Let there be peace on earth." "Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me." This is what we sing every Sunday at the end of our worship. Caring for God's creation begins with you. Big or small, there must be something we can do. I cannot explain why humans suffer natural disasters and what God is doing about it. What I can tell you is that when we suffer, God suffers with us. God's presence in our lives is the source of our hope and strength. Also, I can tell you that God wants us to do what we can about human suffering.

Kibum Kim, Pastor



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.

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.



Food Distribution



Starting in October, Commodities will be every other month. If you would like to help contact Lisa Valcoure at the church office. All volunteers welcome! Next commodities October 19, 2022 at 9:45am in the lower parking lot. Thanks for all you do!

Little Free Pantry



We continue to see regular use of the Little Free Pantry. 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, Jan Novlan, Carol Ruud and Lisa Valcoure!

Missions and Outreach

Missions Buckets will be passed on Sunday, October 3rd for World Communion Sunday. Learn more at <https://www.umc.org/en/content/what-is-world-communion-sunday>.



Layette Set Project

Thank you for your gifts of \$280.82 in the September Missions Buckets to help support the annual Layette Set project! 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!

Please bring all items by **Sunday October 23rd**. We know that it might be difficult to get out to purchase or even find these items. **If you prefer to make a monetary donation, a directed donation to the Layette Sets Specials Account can be made.**

We will assemble the Layette Sets on Sunday, October 30th.

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.**

The CCRC will be accepting Holiday Assistance Applications starting October 3rd through November 11th. The application will include requests for Thanksgiving food, Christmas food, Angel Tree, ABATE Toy Run, and Silver Santa.



The CCRC will be collecting toys and gift items for older children/teens for use in Christmas Holiday Baskets during the month of October! Items needed include:

- ◆ Nail Polish Sets
- ◆ Makeup Sets
- ◆ Body Wash/Cologne Sets
- ◆ Perfume/Lotion Sets
- ◆ Hair Accessories/Tools
- ◆ Remote Control Cars
- ◆ Nerf Guns
- ◆ Athletic Equipment
- ◆ Headphones
- ◆ Lego-style Building Sets
- ◆ STEM Project Kits
- ◆ Arts & Crafts Kits or Supplies
- ◆ Hoodies (all sizes)
- ◆ Socks (all sizes)
- ◆ Lounge Pants (all sizes)

The toy drive will run through the entire month of October. Items can be dropped off at the CCRC, H&R Block, Century 21, Wentz Eye Care, and The Brown Grand Theatre.

If you would like to volunteer at the CCRC, apply for Holiday Assistance, or have other questions, please contact Tonya Merrill at 785-243-1065 or ccrc@nckcn.com.

Healthy Congregations

On Friday, November 4th, we will be serving lunch to the volunteers helping with the hospital move! **We will need help preparing food on November 3rd and preparing food, serving, and clean-up on November 4th. We also need donations of desserts.** Check the main bulletin board for a sign-up list to volunteer!



Volunteers are needed to help with the hospital move on the following dates/times:

- Friday, November 4th: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm (Lunch provided)
- Saturday, November 5th: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm (Breakfast and Lunch provided)
- Sunday, November 6th: 1:00 – 5:00 pm (Snacks provided)

To volunteer, contact Ashley Hutchinson at ahutchins@srhc.com or call/text her at 785-243-8710.



POD Luck

TO CELEBRATE FALL
WITH ALL OUR FUMC
MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

**THIS SUNDAY
OCTOBER 2, 2022**

FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE

**BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH!
IF YOU DON'T COOK, BRING A BAG OF
CHIPS OR STORE BOUGHT COOKIES!
DON'T FORGET YOUR TABLEWARE!**

**ALL CHURCH
HAYRACK RIDE**

LOREN & JOYCE SWENSON'S FARM



October 9th @ 3:00pm

Meet at the Church

Hot Dogs and Buns Provided

Please bring a side of your choice!

All We need is:

A Cup of 



A Few 

And a  Full of Jesus!

**LADIES COFFEE
JITTERS
9:00AM.
OCTOBER 15, 2022
ALL LADIES OF THE CHURCH
ARE WELCOME!**


Save the Date!

Thanksgiving Dinner
November 13, 2022
More details to come!
We will need lots
of Volunteers!
Sign up sheets will be
posted closer to time!



**CHAIR YOGA CLASSES
FOR ALL AGES!**

Choir Room
at 6:00pm on October 16, 2022
**All are Welcome! Contact Angie Gabel McConkey
or Mary Thoman for more details!**



Mat Yoga Class
Choir Room
at 6:00pm on October 30, 2022
All are Welcome!
**Contact Angie Gabel McConkey
or Mary Thoman for more details!**





Fall Fest 2022







**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
TABLE TALK**
6:00PM MEAL

6:30 ~ 7:15 PRESCHOOL ~ 1
6:30~7:15 ~ GRADES 2~6
6:30~7:45 ~ GRADES 7-12
6:45-7:30 ~ ADULTS



**SITTING WITH JESUS
WEDNESDAY 5:00PM**



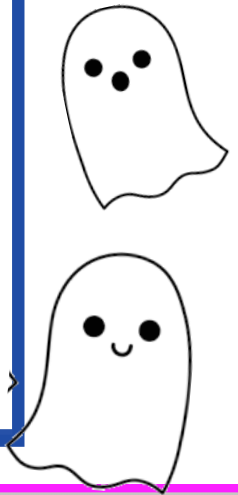
**IN THE
CRUSADERS ROOM!**

*Make a joyful noise
unto the Lord*
Psalm 100:1

Choir practice on Wednesdays at 5:30pm. All people who like to “make a joyful noise” (Psalm 100:1) are encouraged to come, even if you don’t feel you can make it to every practice.

Our Director, Renata Knox, is looking forward to seeing a full choir loft!

Impact

YOUTH LEARN TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

GRADES 7-12
6:30PM ~ 7:45PM

THE ROCK

Jesus
is our
Foundation

GRADES 2-6
6:30pm ~ 7:15pm

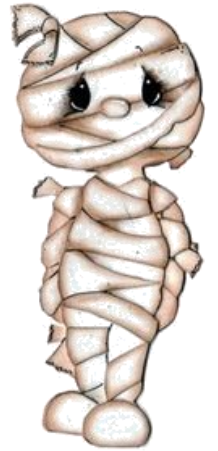
JAM!

Jesus and Me!
Preschool ~ 1st grade
Wednesday nights
6:30pm ~ 7:15pm



Table Talk for Adults
In the Parlor
6:45pm ~ 7:30pm

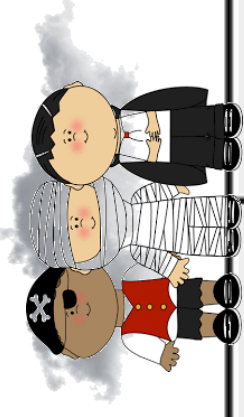
Wednesday Night Table Talk



- 1 ~ Janet Lowell
- 1 ~ Janice Swenson
- 2 ~ Devin Pearson
- 4 ~ Bennie Wills
- 5 ~ Bryant Johnson
- 5 ~ Branson Wilcox
- 6 ~ Emily Leone
- 6 ~ Lyle McMillan
- 8 ~ Tammy Ista
- 12 ~ Jasmine Ukens
- 13 ~ Stephanie Hake
- 13 ~ Gannon Brown
- 14 ~ Joyce Swenson
- 14 ~ Frances Shaw
- 15 ~ Adam Krohn
- 15 ~ Susan Retter
- 16 ~ Jeff Krohn
- 16 ~ Hobbs Hutchinson
- 21 ~ Lynette Saltzman
- 22 ~ Eric Andersen
- 23 ~ Peggy Walbridge
- 24 ~ Steve Schenk
- 28 ~ Janet Ista
- 29 ~ Trask Breault



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>9:30 Crusaders Searchers</p> <p>10:30 Worship</p> <p>11:30 Potluck</p>	<p>5:30 Good Neighbor meeting</p>		<p>5:00 Sitting With Jesus</p> <p>5:30 Choir Practice</p> <p>6:00 Table Talk Meal</p> <p>6:30 Classes Begin</p>			1
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Concordia First United Methodist Church

Belong | Believe | Become

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Sunday Services:

Crusaders: 9:30am

Searchers: 9:30am

Impact: 9:30am

Worship: 10:30am

Wednesday Night Services:

Sittin' with Jesus 5:00pm

6:00pm Table Talk Meal

6:30pm Classes for all ages