

Events this Week:
Sunday, October 29, 2023
 9:30am Crusaders
 9:30am Searchers
 10:30am Worship
 2:00pm
 Church Conference in Courtland
 5:30pm Yoga in Choir Room
 6:30pm Emotionally Healthy
 Spirituality Class

Wednesday, November 1, 2023
 5:00pm Sitting with Jesus
 5:30pm Choir Practice
 6:00pm Table Talk
 6:30pm Classes Begin

Thursday, November 2, 2023
 5:00pm Girl Scouts Meeting

Saturday, November 4, 2023
 9:00am Ladies Coffee at Jitters

Sunday, November 5, 2023
 Daylight Savings Time!
 All Saints Remembrance
 9:30am Crusaders
 9:30am Searchers
 10:30am Worship



Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 12th
11:00 am - 12:30 pm
 Concordia First United Methodist Church
 (740 W 11th St)
\$15 per meal



Drive-Through Pickup or Dine-In
Delivery available - call 243-4560

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Oct. 29~Trask Breault
 Nov. 1~Doug Moore
 4~Braden Johnson
 4~David Strait
 5~Sarah Holbert



PRAYER REQUEST:

AMANDA WATERMAN
 LAURA CHRISTENSEN
 TRISH & DAN WATERMAN
 BETH WHISLER
 ALBERTA NEEL
 HARLEY ADAMS



Did you Know?

Average weekly Attendance-47
 Average weekly offering
 received \$2,436.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER!

NOV. 12~VETERAN'S DAY RECOGNITION
 FOLLOWING WORSHIP~THANKSGIVING DINNER


NOV. 16-19~WOMEN'S TRIP TO BRANSON

NOV. 26~HANGING OF THE GREENS
 FOLLOWING WORSHIP



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~1 Thessalonians 2:8



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 Church (785) 243-4560

Office Hours:
 Monday — Thursday
 9:00-4:00pm
 Friday
 Closed

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Do No Harm ~ Do Good ~ Stay in Love With God.
John Wesley



The Community Gathers

PRELUDE, CHIMES BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST	Pam Campbell Dakota Valcoure & Zak Allen
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	Carly Brown
PASSING THE PEACE	
OPENING HYMN	I Want a Principle Within #410
CALL TO WORSHIP	Jonathon Bowman
LEADER: As we gather to worship today, turn to a neighbor* and say to each other, "Welcome! I am glad you are here!" PEOPLE: Welcome! I am glad you are here!	
LEADER: Now, turn to another neighbor* and say to each other, "You are loved by God and by me!" PEOPLE: You are loved by God and by me!	
LEADER: Beloved children of God, how can we love each other today? PEOPLE: By meeting and listening and caring for one another face-to-face.	
LEADER: Beloved children of God, how can we love God today? PEOPLE: By practicing our love for one another and God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.	
SONG OF PRAISE	Lord, I Want to Be a Christian #402
PRAYER OF CONFESSION Lord, you have told us what to do. But this love thing is hard. You've invited us to love you with everything we have; instead we have fallen in love with our jobs, houses, and electronic toys. Loving you intimately is scary, and we often opt for another way. You've invited us to live in loving relationship with everyone we encounter, but there are folk who are downright hard to love. We confess our inability to love as we should. We need your forgiveness and help living out this love thing. Free us to love as you do. Amen.	
JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS	
PRAYER FOR OUR COMMUNITY	
Choir Anthem	Peace Like a River Director Renata Knox

Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

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TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS Ushers: Dakota Valcoure, Zak Allen,

Jonathon Bowman, Matheu McVicker

DOXOLOGY Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow #94

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of unimaginable love, you have given us so much and asked so little. In the words of Jesus, we have been commanded to love you with our whole being, love our neighbors, and love ourselves. It is a covenant more generous than anyone could imagine, and yet how often we fail to keep the bargain. We pick and choose when we will love you just like we pick and choose which neighbors we love. When we pick and choose, often the only love we show is love of ourselves. As we dedicate our gifts this morning to bringing acts of love, may we also resolve to better keep our side of your covenant of love. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

Hearing and Responding to the Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON	Dakota Valcoure	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
HYMN	Sanctuary	#2164
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		
GOSPEL LESSON		Matthew 22:34-46
AFFIRMATION The word of God for the people of God Thanks be to God.		
MESSAGE	"Unlearning Limited Love"	Pastor Mark Crist
PASTORAL PRAYER LORD'S PRAYER		
<u>Going into the World to Serve</u>		
SENDING SONG	Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee	#89
BENEDICTION		
BENEDICTION RESPONSE	Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing	#671 Vs. 1
Postlude		