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

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

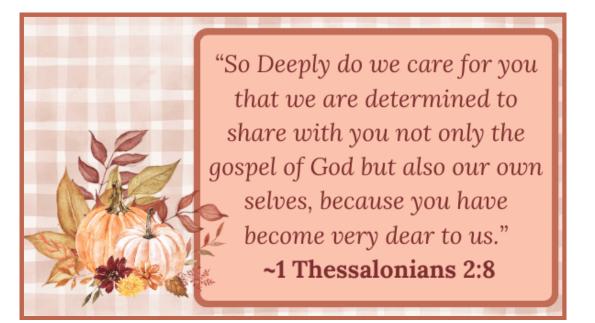
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Did you Know?

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







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

John Wesley



The Community Gathers

PRELUDE, CHIMES

Pam Campbell

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST 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

"So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us."

~ 1 Thessalonians 2:8

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

Going into the World to Serve

SENDING SONG Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee #89

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing #671 Vs. 1

Postlude