

The Community Gathers

PRELUDE AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cindy Kocher

PASSING THE PEACE

* OPENING HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory" #577

* CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Are you listening? God is doing a new thing! Will you join in?

PEOPLE: Yes! We will follow!

LEADER: Listen! Did you miss it? God calls us again to build the kin-dom of heaven. Will you join in?

PEOPLE: Yes! We will be builders of the kin-dom.

LEADER: Wait, did you catch that? Again, God calls us to declare the good news to those in need. Will you join in?

PEOPLE: Yes! We will declare the good news with our voices and our lives.

LEADER: And still, God calls. God never quits calling us to live and to give abundant life. Will you join in?

PEOPLE: Yes! We will join with God in sharing the gracious gift of abundant life with the world.

LEADER: May we respond to God's loving and persistent call with a loving and persistent yes! A yes for us, a yes for our neighbors, and a yes for our world to be transformed by the good news that God's kin-dom has come near.

SONG OF PRAISE "Where He Leads Me" #338 (stanzas 1, 4)

OPENING PRAYER

Teach us, Creator, to see people by the light of the faith we profess, that we may check in ourselves all ungenerous judgments, all presumptuous claims, that, recognizing the needs and rightful claims of others, we may remove old hatreds and rivalries and hasten new understandings, that we may bring our tributes of excellence to the treasury of our common humanity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS

PRAYER FOR OUR COMMUNITY

PRAYER SONG Seek Ye First #405

Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

"For you repay all according to their work" ~ Psalm 62:12b

TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM "Let the Whole Creation Cry!" Renata Knox, Director

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" #94

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Generous God, bless the gifts we give this morning. We ask that you help grow the trust in us so we might follow without looking back, and we might leave behind more of our old lives to experience more deeply new life in you. Help us to leave our nets on the shore and leave those things that seemed essential before we heard the call, so that we might travel the road you have put before us. In the name of Christ who goes before us and beside us, we pray. Amen.

Hearing and Responding to the Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

HYMN Kum Ba Yah #494 (First stanza only)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pam Campbell

*GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1:14-20

*AFFIRMATION
The word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "Discovering Your Way" Pastor

Mark Crist

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Going into the World to Serve

* SENDING SONG "Forth in Thy Name, Oh Lord" #438

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE "On Eagles Wings" #143

POSTLUDE AND TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Events this Week:

Sunday, January 21, 2024

9:30am All Church Sunday!
Join us in making Valentines in the parlor!
10:30am Worship
5:30pm Yoga

Monday January 22, 2024


5:30pm Safety Meeting

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

5:00pm Sitting with Jesus
5:30pm Choir Practice
6:00pm Table Talk

Sunday, January 27, 2024

9:30am Crusaders
9:30am Searchers
10:30am Worship
5:30pm Yoga
6:30pm Emotionally Healthy Spirituality Classes

20~Noneral Steinert
22~Judy Edwards
22~Chris Ukens
23~Erica Johnson
26~Marcy Johnson
26~Taryn Mosher
26~ Phil Bentz


Prayer Requests

AMANDA WATERMAN
LAURA CHRISTENSEN
TRISH & DAN WATERMAN
HARLEY & DARLA ADAMS
BETH WHISLER
CAROL RUUD



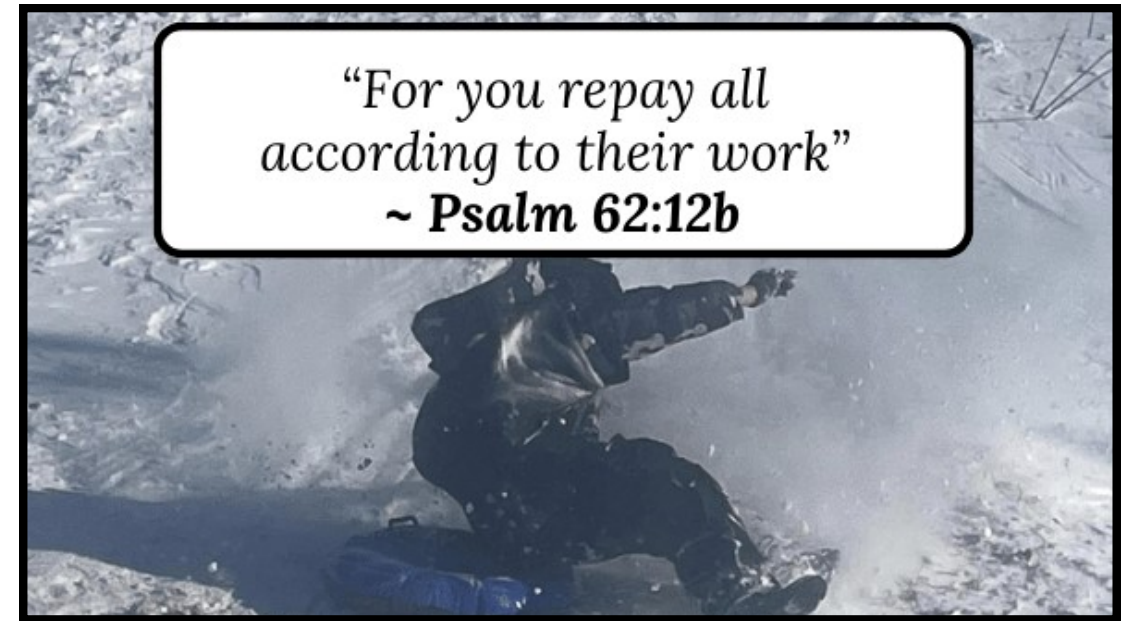
SERMON SERIES:
“GOING A DIFFERENT WAY”

- JANUARY 21 ~ MOVING FORWARD; DISCOVERING YOUR WAY.
- JANUARY 28 ~ THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF YOUR WAY.
- FEBRUARY 4 ~ FOLLOWING YOUR WAY.
- FEBRUARY 11 ~ SEEING GOD GUIDE YOUR WAY.



Missions Buckets
“Noisy Offering” for January

Human Relations Day
Special Offering

“For you repay all according to their work”
~ **Psalm 62:12b**

January 21, 2024



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Welcome to our guests!

We are glad you are here. We hope you were blessed by your experience at First United Methodist Church this morning and will tell a friend.



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