

Events this Week:

Sunday, February 25, 2024

9:30am Crusaders
 9:30am Searchers
 10:30am Worship
 2:00pm Lenten Study
 5:30pm Yoga
 6:30pm Emotionally
 Healthy Spirituality

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

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

Sunday, March 3, 2024

9:30am Crusaders
 9:30am Searchers
 10:30am Worship
 2:00pm Lenten Study
 5:30 Yoga
 6:30pm Emotionally
 Healthy Spirituality



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

27~Christy Hasch
 28~Genna Strait
 28~Dennis Cox
 29~Aidan Poore
 March
 1~Monte Wentz

Prayer Requests

AMANDA WATERMAN
 LAURA CHRISTENSEN
 TRISH & DAN WATERMAN
 HARLEY & DARLA ADAMS
 BETH WHISLER
 CAROL RUUD
 RON THOMAS
 JOAN KROHN

Attendance & Financials

	Attendance	Offering
Feb. 4	41	\$3504.00
Feb. 11	57	\$7020.48
Feb. 18	62	\$2586.00
Monthly Budget		\$16,783.00
Feb. Offering to date:		13,110.48
Year-to-Date:		\$22,067.17



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 but he grew strong in
 his faith as he gave
 glory to God...”
 ~Romans 4:20



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

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

John Wesley



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 friend.

The Community Gathers

PRELUDE, CHIMES AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Cindy Kocher

PASSING THE PEACE

*OPENING HYMN Faith, While Trees are Still in Blossom UMH#508

* CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: What kind of Messiah is Jesus?

PEOPLE: He is the Messiah who teaches that he will lose his life and who calls us to lose our lives in order to save our lives.

LEADER: How does it feel to follow a Messiah whose teachings and call are so hard and uncomfortable?

PEOPLE: Some feel fear and anger, while others feel uncertain and anxious, and still others feel resolute and ready to follow.

LEADER: Lenten travelers, we are not alone in our feelings about following Jesus as our Messiah. It is a hard road. The blessing is that we do not travel it alone.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God that we share this journey with Jesus and one another as we lose our lives for the sake of the gospel to save our lives through Jesus, our Messiah.

SONG OF PRAISE Faith of Our Fathers UMH#710

OPENING PRAYER

God of grace and glory, we thank you that you judge us not by the perfection of our actions, but by the readiness to live boldly by faith. Help us, as individuals and as a congregation, to trust you and follow where you lead, that in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.

JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS

PRAYER FOR OUR COMMUNITY

PRAYER SONG El Shaddai UMH#123

Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

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TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

* DOXOLOGY #95

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of Boundless Goodness: We worship you with our whole hearts. Even so, our discipleship involves more than what we bring to the altar today. Instead, the discipleship you intend for us calls us to a place where a cross that is ours alone must be picked up and carried. This is the work of your church. Strengthen us, we pray, not just to carry our own cross, but to help sisters and brothers carry their crosses as well. In the name of the one who bore his cross for us. Amen.

Hearing and Responding to the Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON Romans 4:13-25
(The Message)

HYMN Children of the Heavenly Father UMH#141 *(First two stanzas only)*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Pam Campbell

* GOSPEL LESSON Mark 8:31-38

* AFFIRMATION

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

MESSAGE *The Journey of Trust* Pastor Mark Crist

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER

Going into the World to Serve

* SENDING SONG Standing on the Promises UMH#374

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE On Eagles Wings UMH#143

POSTLUDE AND TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD