

Events this Week:

Sunday, March 3, 2024

9:30am Crusaders
 9:30am Searchers
 10:30am Worship
 2:00pm Lenten Study
 5:30pm Yoga
 Emotionally
 Healthy Spirituality
 Cancelled for this Sunday

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

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

Sunday, March 10, 2024

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



Prayer Requests

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

4~Scott Halfhide
 4~Chris Stiles
 5~Beth Whisler
 7~Darlene Pearson
 8~Jim Lanoue

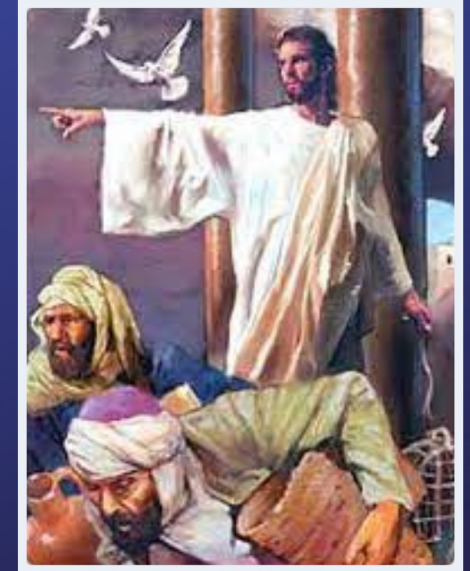
Attendance & Financials

| | Attendance | Offering |
|------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Feb. 11 | 57 | \$7020.48 |
| Feb. 18 | 62 | \$2586.00 |
| Feb. 25 | 54 | \$2343.00 |
| Monthly Budget | | 16,208.00 |
| Feb. Offering to date: | | \$15,913.00 |
| Year-to-Date: | | 38,653.00 |



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 foolish the wisdom of
 the world?”*
~1 Corinthians 1:20d



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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 AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST Pam Campbell

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Christy Hasch

PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN O For a Heart to Praise My God UMH#417
(Sung to: O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing)

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Lenten travelers, why are you here?

PEOPLE: We gather to worship.

LEADER: Lenten travelers, what happens when we worship together?

PEOPLE: We listen and proclaim. We sing and pray. We repent and encourage.

LEADER: Lenten travelers, what work does God do in worship?

PEOPLE: God raises us up so that we can delight in life together with God and one another.

LEADER: Lenten travelers, come, let us worship God together!

PEOPLE: Come, let us worship God together!

SONG OF PRAISE I Sing the Almighty Power of God UMH#152

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

With hearts of sorrow, we come before you, O God, to confess what you already know – we have failed because we have not let your laws guide our lives as we should while undermining your laws to judge others. Again and again, we have followed our own selfish will, rather than your holy and life-giving will for our lives. We have twisted your decrees and institutions to suit our preconceptions and interests rather than your own. Forgive us, O God, and cleanse us from hidden faults, that we may be acceptable to you.

SILENCE

LEADER: God shows steadfast love and blesses to the thousandth generation those who [follow] God's ways. In love, God sent Jesus to bless and redeem God's people. God forgives us our sins and restores us to new life. Let us rejoice in God's mercy.

JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS

PRAYER FOR COMMUNITY AND ALL SAINTS

PRAYER SONG Have Thine Own Way, Lord! UMH#382
(Stanzas 1, 4)



HOLY COMMUNION

UMH#12

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

"Has God not made foolish the wisdom of the world?" ~ 1 Corinthians 1:20d

TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

CHOIR ANTHEM My Savior and My God Renata Knox, Director

DOXOLOGY #95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Generous God, all we have comes from you and has been given to us as stewards that we might live and love as your beloved children. As we bring our gifts this morning, we realize what a small portion they are compared to what you have given to us. As we have sought ways to fund church ministry without raising our level of sacrifice, forgive us. If there have been times when we unconsciously favored reaching those with more assets to give and overlooked those who live and struggle with little, forgive us. Guide us in the path of repentance. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hearing and Responding to the Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON Exodus 20:1-20

HYMN Tell Me the Stories of Jesus UMH#277
(First stanza only)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Angie Gabel-McConkey

GOSPEL LESSON John 2:13-22

AFFIRMATION

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

MESSAGE The Journey with Law Pastor Mark Crist

Thanksgiving

PRAYER Lord's Prayer

SENDING SONG Going into the World to Serve
I Want a Principle Within UMH#410

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE Shalom to You UMH#666

POSTLUDE AND TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD