

The Community Gathers

PRELUDE & CHIMES Pam Campbell, Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Cindy Kocher

OPENING HYMN “Lift Every Voice and Sing” UMH #519

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Easter people, raise your voices! You belong to the Risen Christ!

PEOPLE: We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.

LEADER: Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

PEOPLE: We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God’s love to the world.

LEADER: How will you share God’s love with the world?

PEOPLE: By loving, respecting, and honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks, and ignores.

LEADER: Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

PEOPLE: Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ’s love and belonging everywhere we go.

OPENING PRAYER

God of all creation who called every being into life, **who is mindful of humankind in all its diversity, who embodies us with dignity, granting different gifts and talents to shape life in this world, we ask for your Spirit to unite us where we face lack of understanding and disunity in our churches, in our communities, in our countries. And in silence, we lay before you the burdens of our hearts.**

(Silence)

We ask for your Spirit to unite us **in the face of the conflicts, hatred, and violation of life experienced in so many regions of the earth and in silence, we bring to you the pain of the victims.**

(Silence)

We ask for your Spirit to unite us **wherever fear prevents us from caring for our neighbor, from meeting people of different ethnicities, cultures, and faith communities with respect and in silence, we bring to you the brokenness of human relationships.**

(Silence)

God of all creation, **in Christ, we are reconciled, and so we ask for your uniting Spirit to help us to overcome all our divisions that we may live in peace. Amen.**

JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS

PRAYER FOR COMMUNITY AND ALL SAINTS

PRAYER SONG “Take Time to Be Holy” UMH #395 (Stanzas 1, 3 only)

HOLY COMMUNION UMH #12

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

“Holy Father, watch over them in your name, the name you gave me, that they will be one just as we are one.” ~ John 17:11

TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY #94

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Hearing and Responding to the Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 John 5:9-13

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Angie Gabel-McConkey

RECOGNITION OF MOTHERS DAY

GOSPEL LESSON John 17:6-19

AFFIRMATION

The word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE “Bridging God-sized Dreams” Pastor Mark Crist

PRAYER

Lord’s Prayer

Going into the World to Serve

SENDING SONG “My Life is in You, Lord” TFWS #2032

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Let there Be Peace on Earth” UMH#431

POSTLUDE AND TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Events this Week:

Sunday, May 12, 2024

9:30am Crusaders

9:30am Searchers

10:30am Worship

Celebrate All Mother's Day!

Monday, May 13, 2024

5:30pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

5:00pm Sitting With Jesus

5:30pm Choir Practice

Sunday, May 19, 2024

9:30am Crusaders

9:30am Searchers

10:30am Worship

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Recognition of all Graduates!

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

10:00 Unload Commodities Truck

11:15 Load Cars



**THANK YOU!
FOR HELPING
TO MAKE
THE CHANGE!**

Prayer Requests

KYLE SWENSON
JAN NOVLAN
JOAN KROHN
MARVIN PETERSEN
JOSH FREEBORN
DAKOTA BROCKMAN
WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST

AMANDA WATERMAN
LAURA CHRISTENSEN
TRISH & DAN WATERMAN
HARLEY & DARLA ADAMS
BETH WHISLER
CAROL RUUD
CONNER (PAM'S GREAT-NEPHEW)

Happy Birthday

12~Marc Wentz
12~Chris Black
12~Jeremy Mosher
13~Kenton Kocher
13~Brooklyn Mosher
14~Jason Townsdin
15~Bill Thompson
15~Grant Holmes
16~Ethan Cory
17~Jeremy Huff

Attendance & Financials

	Attendance	Offering
April 21	47	\$649.00
April 28	51	\$1,795.00
May 5	44	\$3,792.00
Monthly Budget		\$16,783.00
April Offering to date:		\$3,792.00
Year-to-Date:		\$66,758.00



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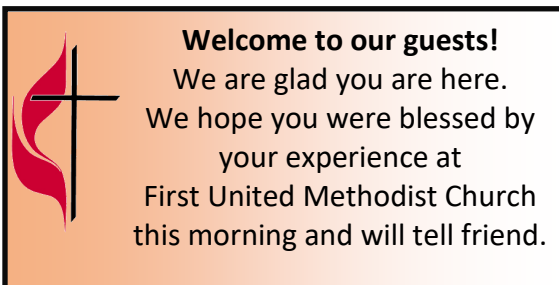


May 12, 2024
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Do No Harm ~ Do Good ~ Stay in Love With God.
John Wesley



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.