

## The Community Gathers

PRELUDE		Pam Campbell
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Cindy Kocher
PASSING THE PEACE		
OPENING HYMN	“Forward Through the Ages”	UMH#555
CALL TO WORSHIP		
LEADER: The voice of God calls to us! Are you listening?		
<b>PEOPLE: Speak, Lord, your children are listening.</b>		
LEADER: The hands of God beckon us! Are you paying attention?		
<b>PEOPLE: Show us, Lord, your children are paying attention.</b>		
LEADER: The love of God asks us—are you ready to follow?		
<b>PEOPLE: Guide us, Lord, and we, your children, will follow.</b>		
LEADER: Come, let us worship the God whose tenacious love never stops calling and beckoning and asking us to follow.		
<b>PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!</b>		
OPENING PRAYER		
<b>Lord, somewhere long ago, someone convinced us that we would not be good material for God to use in healing and helping ministries for this world. We don't really believe that we have anything worthwhile to offer. It is relatively easy for us to donate funds for missions and the good works of the church, but we do not see ourselves worthy of further involvement. Remind us of your forgiving love, when we stubbornly refuse to believe your claim on our lives. Open our eyes and spirits to see the gifts with which you have blessed us, and to commit those gifts to serving you by serving others. There are so many things that we can do. And everything starts with prayer. So, patient God, bear with us as we settle down to pray, asking for your wisdom in our lives. Give us courage and strength to accomplish any task that you set before us. And give us hearts of grateful love to acknowledge your presence in our lives, and live that presence with great joy. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.</b>		
JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS		
PRAYER FOR COMMUNITY AND ALL SAINTS		
PRAYER SONG	“Alleluia”	UMH#186
HOLY COMMUNION		UMH#12
SCRIPTURE SENTENCE		
<i>“I give thanks to you that I was marvelously set apart.” ~ Psalm 139:14</i>		

## TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY	“Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow”	#94
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING		
<b>God of all wisdom, how often have we been deaf to your voice speaking to our hearts, especially when we move in a world that needs it so desperately? May we find ourselves at home whenever we hear your voice. As we bring our gifts to be dedicated this morning, we pray that you might open our ears, open our hearts to hear where you call us to respond with obedience, so that we might do what you need to begin healing our world. In Christ, we pray. Amen.</b>		
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP		
	<b><u>Hearing and Responding to the Word</u></b>	
SCRIPTURE LESSON		Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
HYMN	“Jesus Loves Me”	UMH#191 (First stanza only)
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Angie Gabel-McConkey
GOSPEL LESSON		John 1:35-51
AFFIRMATION	The word of God for the people of God <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
MESSAGE	“The Question of Home”	Pastor Mark Crist
	<b><u>Thanksgiving</u></b>	
PRAYER	Lord's Prayer	
	<b><u>Going into the World to Serve</u></b>	
SENDING SONG	“The Summons”	TFWS#2130
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, August 4, 2024**

9:30am Crusaders  
 9:30am Searchers  
 10:30am Worship  
 2:00pm Bible Study  
 "How to Read the Bible"

**Wednesday August 7, 2024**

5:00pm Sitting With Jesus  
 6:30pm Women in Faith  
 @ Panther Pride

**Sunday, August 11, 2024**

9:30am Crusaders  
 9:30am Searchers  
 10:30am Worship  
 2:00pm Bible Study  
 "How to Read the Bible"  
 2:00pm Bridal Shower for  
 Ericka Johnson

**Monday, August 12, 2024**

5:30pm FUMC Council

**Tuesday, August 13, 2024**

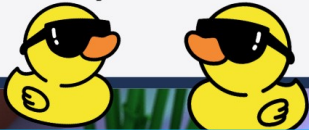
10:00am NAMI Meeting

**Saturday, August 17, 2024**

9:30pm Ladies Coffee

**August 18, 2024**

5:00-7:00pm Ice Cream Social



*Prayer Requests*

KYLE SWENSON  
 JAN NOVLAN  
 JOAN KROHN  
 MARVIN PETERSEN  
 JOSH FREEBORN  
 DAKOTA BROCKMAN  
 MACHELLE FISHER  
 AMANDA WATERMAN

LAURA CHRISTENSEN  
 TRISH & DAN WATERMAN  
 HARLEY & DARLA ADAMS  
 FAMILY OF BETH WHISLER  
 FAMILY OF CAROL RUUD  
 DEB KETTERMAN, SAVANA,  
 LIBBY & HATCHER



*Happy Birthday*

5~Martha Thomas  
 6~Alberta Neel  
 7~Liz Steinle  
 9~Debbie Krohn  
 9~Amanda Morgan  
 9~Kyle Palmquist  
 9~Drew Erkenbrack

**Attendance & Financials**

	Attendance	Offering
July 14, 2024	54	\$1,880.00
July 21, 2024	48	\$1452.00
July 28, 2024	44	\$1404.00
Monthly Budget		\$16,783.00
July Offering to date:		\$10,946.00
Year-to-Date:		\$93,458.00



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**August 4, 2024**  
**First United Methodist Church**

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

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Rev. Mark Crist, Pastor

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

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 I was marvelously set apart."  
 ~ Psalm 139:14*



**Welcome to our guests!**

We are glad you are here.

We hope you were blessed by  
 your experience at

