

The Community Gathers

PRELUDE Pam Campbell

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Cindy Kocher

PASSING THE PEACE

*OPENING HYMN "I Come with Joy" UMH #617

*CALL TO WORSHIP
LEADER: Carry greetings across the railroad tracks to those we never meet.
PEOPLE: How good and pleasant it is for Christians to live together in unity!
LEADER: Send messages and e-mails to Good Christian Friends in Africa and Asia, South America and Europe!
PEOPLE: How good and pleasant it is for Christians to live together in unity!
LEADER: Extend your hand of fellowship to both the shelters and the mansions, to the projects and the gated communities.
PEOPLE: How good and pleasant it is for Christians to live together in unity!
LEADER: Reach out your arms to gather in the little ones and the not-so-little, the vulnerable and the ones who think they have to do it all on their own.
PEOPLE: How good and pleasant it is for Christians to live together in unity!
LEADER: Remember that we are one HUGE family!!!
PEOPLE: How good and pleasant it is for Christians to live together in unity!

OPENING PRAYER
Almighty God, mother of mercy, father of grace: You call us to one table, but we have pursued our own course. You promise us abundance, but in our greed and envy, the world goes without. You promise us the bread of life, but in our pride, and arrogance, the world goes hungry. You promise us the waters of peace and justice, but in our violence the world goes thirsty. When we find ourselves spiritually famished, have mercy on us. Transform us, at this table, and send us as servants of your righteousness, by the power of your Son, our Lord. Amen.

HOLY CONVERSATION "What gets in the way of fully living your faith? Why is that?"

ANTHEM "A Blessing of Assurance" Renata Knox, Director

JOYS, CONCERNS AND GOD SIGHTINGS
PRAYER FOR COMMUNITY AND ALL SAINTS

PRAYER SONG "One Bread, One Body" UMH #620

HOLY COMMUNION UMH #12

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE
"My feet now stand on level ground. I will bless the Lord in the great congregation."
~ Psalm 26:12

TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY UMH #94

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
God of grace and mercy, as we bring our gifts before you today, we remember your infinite love that welcomes everyone, especially the vulnerable and the overlooked. Just as Jesus embraced the little children, we bring our offerings, hoping to reflect our dedication to living out your kingdom's values. Help us see and meet the needs around us with open hearts and willing hands, extending your grace and compassion to all. Bless these gifts and use them to further your work in our community and beyond, so everyone may know and feel your love. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Hearing and Responding to the Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON Job 1:1; 2:1-10

HYMN "Jesus Loves Me" UMH#191 (First stanza only)
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Mary Thoman

*GOSPEL LESSON Mark 10:2-16
AFFIRMATION
The word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "The Why in the Way" Pastor Mark Crist

Thanksgiving

PRAYER Lord's Prayer

Going into the World to Serve

SENDING SONG "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" UMH #479
(Sung to: Christ the Lord is Risen Today)

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth" UMH# 431

*OUR MISSION, OUR PURPOSE
LEADER: Our mission is to provide a place for all to ...
PEOPLE: BELONG!
LEADER: To our community ...
PEOPLE: BELIEVE!
LEADER: In and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and ...
PEOPLE: BECOME HIS DISCIPLES!
ALL: Belong! Believe! Become!

*POSTLUDE AND TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Events this Week:

Sunday, October 6, 2024

9:30am Reception for Wayne & Alberta Neel
10:30am Worship
2:00pm EHS Class in the Parlor

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

5:00pm Sitting with Jesus
5:30 Choir Practice
6:00 Table talk meal and classes

Saturday, October 12, 2024

9:30am Women in Faith

Sunday, October 13, 2024

9:30am Crusaders
9:30am Searchers
10:30am Worship
2:00pm Baby Shower for David & Kyra Strait
5:30pm Yoga

Monday, October 14, 2024

5:30pm FUMC Council

Sunday, October 20, 2024

9:30am Crusaders
9:30am Searchers
10:30am Worship
3:30pm Meet at Church for the Hay Rack Ride


Monday, October 21, 2024

5:30pm M&M's

Prayer Requests

KYLE SWENSON	LAURA CHRISTENSEN
JAN NOVLAN	TRISH & DAN WATERMAN
JOAN KROHN	AMANDA WATERMAN
MARVIN PETERSEN	HARLEY & DARLA ADAMS
JOSH FREEBORN	DEB KETTERMAN, SAVANA,
DAKOTA BROCKMAN	LIBBY & HATCHER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



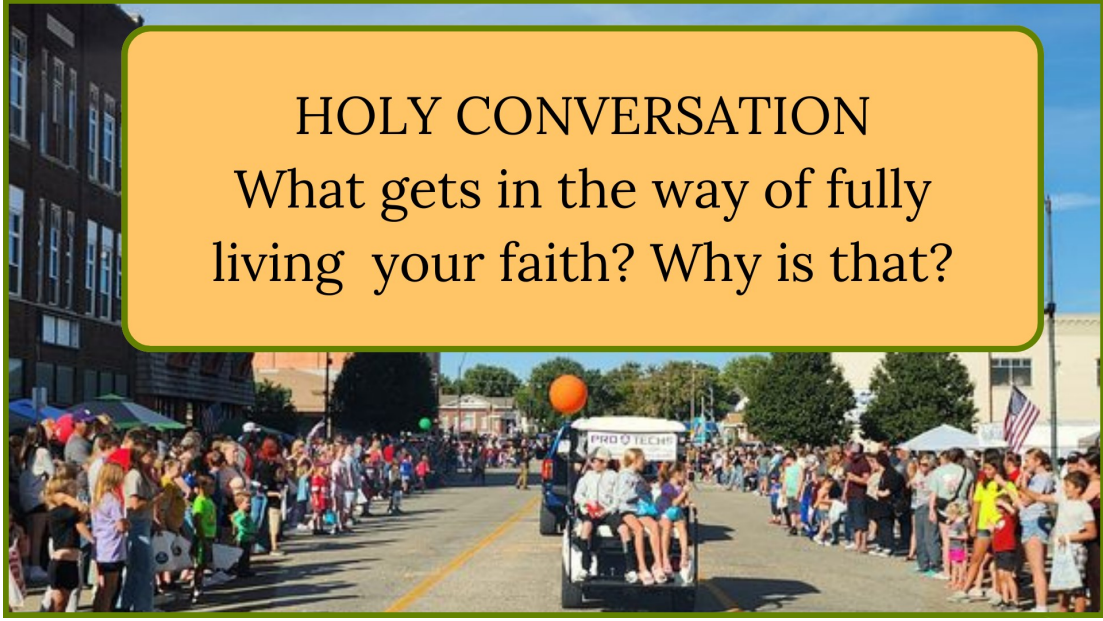
6~Lyle McMillan
6~Nolan Soward
12~Jasmine Ukens

Attendance & Financials

	Attendance	Offering
September 15, 2024	39	\$2,105.00
September 22, 2024	53	\$1,604.00
September 29, 2024	39	\$649.00
Monthly Budget		\$16,783.00
Offering to date:		\$9,505.00
Year-to-Date:		\$118,582.00



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October 6, 2024
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Office Hours:
Monday —Thursday
9:00-4:00pm
Friday
Closed

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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 friend.

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