



First United Methodist Church

Welcome! We're glad that you are here.

To all who need comfort; all who need friendship;

all who are lonely and need companionship;

all who want sheltering love, all who sin

and need a Savior; and whosoever will

—we open wide our doors and say, "Come; let us worship together."

10:15am Sunday Worship January 14, 2024

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE Ellie Johnson

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP Linda Jachino

L: The voice of God calls to us! Are you listening?

P: Speak, Lord, your servants are listening.

L: The hands of God beckon us! Are you paying attention?

P: Show us, Lord, your servants are paying attention.

L: The love of God asks us—are you ready to follow?

P: Guide us, Lord, and we, your servants, will follow.

L: Come, let us worship the God whose tenacious love never stops calling and beckoning and asking us to follow.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*SONG "Open the Eyes of My Heart" from Worship DVD

OPENING PRAYER Linda Jachino

O God, you call to us today, just as you called to the boy Samuel so long ago. Gathered here today, we are many different ages, but we pray for the maturity of faith to hear your call and respond to your Word. Open our ears and our hearts as we worship, as we work, and as we care for one another. We ask that you would give us courage and integrity to answer your call with the heart-felt words, "Here I am!" Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED #881 Linda Jachino

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from

thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME LaVona Grissinger

SCRIPTURE 1 Samuel 3:11-20 (CEB) Linda Jachino

*GOSPEL John 1:43-51 (CEB) Pastor Dave Yim

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

A: Thanks be to God!

CHOIR

MESSAGE: Pastor Dave Yim

SHARING OF JOY AND CONCERNS(Text Pastor Dave, 224-600-0446)

PRAYER FOR PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Dave Yim

Our father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING OURSELVES Pastor Dave Yim

*DOXOLOGY #95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

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? The reading from 1 Samuel brings us the phrase, "The word of the Lord was rare in those days," which resonates with the relevance of the evening news. 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.

*HYMN #593 "Here I Am, Lord"

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD Vivian Eaton

In Our Prayers

Emilee Derrer, Rhonda Harlock Smith, John Irons, Gi-Tae Yim, Sandy Froehlich, Barb McFadden, Glen White, Pastor Bill Landis, Shirley Hastings, Alice Riffe-Torrison (Ronda's mom), Dale Wurster, Owen Davies (Bonnie's son), Curtis Pilgrim (Kris Yingling's friend), Steve Runge (Ronda's friend), Connie Zink, Pastor Lee (Pastor Dave's friend), Don & Judy Greenfield, Sandy Pratt, Shirley Fritz, Lexi Tsoukalas (Molly's great niece), Alyssa Volkers (Burt & Peg Dauphin's granddaughter), Debbie Bilik (Janet Morlock's friend), Tim Cavanagh, Louise Brouillard (Ronda's friend) Scarlett Huebner, Chris Sullivan, Miles Purchis (Max & Martha Purchis' grandson), Dan Zemma, the family of David Clay, the residents of Pinnacle Place, our Confirmands (Jon, Aidan, Jiho, Asia, Caleb, and Lexi), and WC staff & students.

Our shut-ins: Mary Ann Larsen, Sylvia Reuterfors, Dorothy Taylor, Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison, Joy Turner, Steve Yenney, Brenda Hamm, Janice Wilt, Mary Ellen Dreger, Herb, Sandy & Ben Pratt, Florence Bevins-Powell, and Shirley Fritz.

Our country & government, Military Personnel & their families, the safety of Ukrainians & end of wars, Syria, Israel, the Gaza Strip, peace in the Middle East, the community, students, and families of Perry, Iowa, and the victims of everyday gun violence and their families.

You can also find our online service on our church website.

We welcome all visitors to our worship time today.

We are glad you are here.

Open Hearts! Open Minds! Open Doors!

We are the people of the United Methodist Church.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

January 15 – Gary Dykema
 15 – Linda Stubbe
 19 – Mark Rathje
 20 – Linda Yenney

CALENDAR

Monday, January 15

Church closed
 Telstar info due
 1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies

Wednesday, January 17

5 pm – Finance meeting (in person)

Thursday, January 18

9 am – Bible Study
 3:30 pm – Worship meeting
 7 pm – Zoom Prayer meeting

Sunday, January 21

8:45 am – Adult Sunday School
 9 am - Trustees
 9:30 am – Children & Youth Sunday School
 10:15 am – Worship
 11:15 am – Ad Council
 3:30 to 5 pm – Confirmation class

WORSHIP HELPERS

	January 21	January 28
Acolyte	Jisung Yim	Ryker McCombie
Liturgist	Molly Andersen	
Counter	Lori Miller	Vivian Eaton
Verifier	LaVona Grissinger	Mary Irons

Last Week's Attendance:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing Basket – We are in need of laundry soap and dish soap, and always need paper products. Your support is greatly appreciated!

The Women's Group is asking you to bring clean and dry plastic bags. The group will make sleeping mats out of them for homeless people. You can drop them off in a box in the sewing room at church.

Zoom Prayer Meetings – via zoom will begin on Thursday, January 11th @ 7 pm and continue every Thursday.

UM Men meeting – is cancelled for January 16th

Finance – meet January 17th @ 5 pm (in person)

Trustees/Ad Council – meet January 21st at 9 am/11:15 am

Telstar info due by January 15th

Sunday School Wish List – Crayola crayons, Crayola 8 pack markers, Elmers white glue, glue sticks, scissors.

Prayer List – we will be refreshing our prayer listing for the bulletin. If you would like your loved one or friend left on the list, please let Ronda know.

District Leadership Training – is Saturday, January 27th at the Freeport: Harmony UMC from 9 am to 12 noon. See the office for more information.

Kids Kards – will meet Sunday, January 28th after worship

Mission Trip Meeting – Sunday, January 28th @ 3:30 pm

Youth Group Lock-in – February 2nd & 3rd

Bishop Day on the District – Thursday, February 8th at First UMC in Freeport. For more information, see the office.

Lenten Services Begin – on Ash Wednesday, February 14th @ 6:30 pm at FUMC. See bulletin boards for following services.

Lenten Bible Study – will begin on Thursday, Feb 15th @ 5 pm

Pictures for Church Directory – Stay tuned for more details

New Sewing Ministry – We invite all sewers to get involved in our sewing ministry by getting a kit in the sewing room. Several are available. (Pattern & material) Check out this ministry in the sewing room after church or ask any member of United Women in Faith. This gives those who cannot come Monday afternoons to sew a chance to be part of this important ministry by sewing at home at your convenience. Check this out!!!



First United Methodist Church

Sunday, 10:15 am
January 7th, 2024

Vision 2024 – “Stay with God in Love and Peace”

Focus on making Jesus' Disciples
to transform lives and the world!

Strong in Worship, Strong in Mission, Strong in Education

“Meanwhile, the church throughout Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and was built up. Living in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers.” (Acts 9:31)

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