



**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 29, 2023

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE Caleb Thornton

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP LaVona Grissinger

Wonderful is the God of Christ, who gathers the poor of the earth.

**Glorious is our God, who wipes away the tears of sorrow.**

Wonderful is the God of Christ, who gives inheritance to the meek.

**Glorious is our God, who satisfies the hunger of the just.**

Wonderful is the God of Christ, who gives mercy to the merciful.

**Glorious is our God, who gives vision to the pure in heart.**

Wonderful is the God of Christ, who adopts the peacemakers.

**Glorious is our God, who lifts high the persecuted.**

Wonderful is the God of Christ, who finds the lost.

**Glorious is our God, who awakens the dead.**

\*HYMN #213 “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison) LaVona Grissinger

**O God, our Guide and Guardian, you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house. Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire. Enable us to do more perfectly**

**the work to which you have called us, that we may not fear the coming of night, when we shall resign into your hands the tasks which you have committed to us. So may we worship you not with our lips at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE APOSTLE’S CREED #881 LaVona Grissinger

**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 Psalm 15 (CEB) LaVona Grissinger

\*GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12 (NRSV) Pastor Dave

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

P: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN #451 “Be Thou My Vision”

MESSAGE: “Glimpses of The Kingdom” Pastor Dave

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

(Text Pastor Dave, 224-600-0446)

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**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

\*DOXOLOGY #95

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

**God of all blessings, your beloved son teaches all we need to know to claim the life you’ve hoped for us. In spite of that, we live like the rest of the world that is eager to accumulate and reluctant to give, showering adoration on the rich and powerful and pushing the poor and powerless. And we bring to you our gifts, which are the result of your blessings, help us to remember who Jesus called truly blessed! We pray in the name of our teacher and savior. Amen.**

\*HYMN #584 “Lord, You Give the Great Commission”  
(verses 1, 2, and 4 only)

\*BENEDICTION

\*GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD Vivian Eaton

**In Our Prayers**

Keith Brown, Billy David, Emilee Derrer, Chris Falk, Merry Florence, Matthew Foltz, Shirley Fritz, Rod Furrow, Sandy Gabriel, Bob & LaVona, Rhonda Harlock Smith, Jill Hofstetter, John Irons, Dallas Kosier, Judy Law, Mike Foltz, Bonnie Parker, Dan Piercy, Rich Rathje, Rhea (friend of Bonnie Davies), Annisa (niece of Bonnie Davies), John Ritchie, Bill Robinson, Adalyna Rose, Ron Smith, Grace Struve, Pastor Sylvester, Scarlett (daughter of Ashley Huebner), Gi-Tae Yim, Inga, Deana Moyer, Tommy Miner, Kevin MaHomes, Sandy Froehlich, Kathy Promenschenkel, Pastor Lee, Dan Zambon, Charlie Johnson, Barb McFadden, Denise Curtis, Susan Michelle Jepsen, Tyrone Burcham, New Bishop Dan, Fabiola and her family, UMC (disaffiliation)

**Our shut-ins:** Mary Ann Larsen, Sylvia Reuterfors, Dorothy Taylor, Alice Riffe-Torrison, Joy Turner, Steve Yenney, Our country & government, Military Personnel & their families, Global economic crisis, The safety of Ukrainians & end of the war, WC Schools and teachers and students (Kindergarten teacher)

You can find pre-recorded online service on our church website and listen to the latest sermon by calling 815-599-1307

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

- January 29 – Dalton Shaw, Wayne White
- 30 – Sandy Froehlich
- 31 – Rhonda Law
- February 1 – Tommy Losh
- 4 – Rocky Mangler, Elliott Mills

**CALENDAR**

- Monday January 30
  - 1 to 3 pm– Sewing Ladies
- Wednesday February 1
  - 10 am – Choir Practice
- Thursday February 2
  - 9 am – Bible Study
- Sunday February 5 (Communion Sunday)
  - 8:45 am - Adult Sunday School
  - 9:30 am - Kids and Youth Sunday School
  - 10:15 am - Hybrid Worship
  - 4 to 5 pm – Youth Mission Team Meeting
  - 5 to 6:15 pm – Youth Group

**WORSHIP HELPERS**

	February 5	February 12
Acolyte	Jiho Yim	Boyd Law
Liturgist	Paula Mayer	Julie Brigham
Counter	Molly Anderson	Rhonda Law
Verifier	Mary Irons	Pam Darrow
Youth S.S.	Cori & Jason	Pastor Dave

Last Week’s Attendance: 59 + 2 dogs

*“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.”*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- West Carroll Food Pantry** – Please bring your donations of cereal, crackers, peanut butter, mac & cheese, and soup.
- Blessing Basket** – We need women and children’s body Wash, deodorant, laundry detergent, toilet paper, and paper towels. Thank you for your continued support!
- Choir Practice** – Next practice will be Wednesdays, Feb 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am
- United Women in Faith** – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month @ 6:30
- Health & Worship** – Meeting changed to February 9 @ 3:30 to 4:30 pm
- Feb Communion Giving** will go to support Rice Meal Packing
- Soul Sisters**– Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> here at 11:30 am. Bring a lunch and brush up on your trivia skills!
- Rice Meal Packing Day** – April 22 (Saturday) at 9 am
- Potato Bar & UMCOR** – March 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday
- February Telstar** – is released today. If you need a hard copy one, please let ushers know.



Join us for soup, sandwich and dessert  
FREE WILL OFFERING will support mission projects



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**Sunday, 10:15 am**  
**January 29, 2023**

**Vision 2023–“Make Jesus’ Disciples”**

Focus on making Jesus’ disciples to transform lives and the world!  
Strong in Worship, Strong in Mission, Strong in Education  
*“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.”(Matthew 28:19)*

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