

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

February 4, 2024

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE

Asia LaShelle

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP Esther Losh

L: People of God, welcome! Surely God is in this place!

P: We come to worship and to rest in God's presence.

L: Breathe deep for the goodness of God surrounds us.

P: The Holy One who sustains the universe is near.

L: When we are tired, worn down, and carrying heavy burdens, God is with us.

P: God strengthens us that we might help carry one another's burdens.

L: So, let us join together in wonder and thanksgiving for God's love that lifts us up on wings like eagles.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*SONG "Hope of the Nations"

Worship DVD

*OPENING PRAYER

Esther Losh

O God, we are gathered here under the shelter of your wings, nurtured by your motherly love, and encouraged, then, to fly by faith on the wind of your spirit. You have spoken to us, saying "They that wait upon the Lord, shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles." Teach us how to wait, then, that we may learn how to fly. May this nest we call "family" be built with sturdy materials. Don't let us forget, though, that this nest was not created as a fortress behind which to hide, but as a perch from which to take off. And strengthen us with the assurance that we do not fly alone. This we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED #881 Esther Losh

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

Rev. Bonnie Davies

SCRIPTURE

*GOSPEL

Isaiah 40:26-31 (CEB) Mark 1:29-39 (CEB) Esther Losh Pastor Dave Yim

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

A: Thanks be to God!

HYMN #143 "On Eagle's Wings"

MESSAGE: "Power for the Weary"

Pastor Dave Yim

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS (Text Pastor Dave, 224-600-0446) PRAYER FOR PEOPLE

HOLY COMMUNION INVITATION/CONFESSION AND PARDON SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

OFFERING OURSELVES

Pastor Dave Yim

*DOXOLOGY #95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of power and patience, we gather in worship to wait on your presence and to be filled with your power. Jesus healed with a touch and taught us that you are the source of the true healing that can make us whole. As we take time now in worship to offer our gifts to you, we pray that they might be used to bring healing: of body, of spirit, of broken relationships; healing of a planet that is groaning under our carelessness and greed; healing of a world community that is deeply divided by distrust and self-interest. We pray this in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING 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.

BREAKING THE BREAD AND CUP

*HYMN #375 "There Is a Balm in Gilead"

*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, Chrissy Sullivan, Miles Purchis (Max & Martha Purchis' grandson), Dee Helle, Dan Zemma, John Jachino, Paul Mayer, Angie (Paula's friend), Rod & Roger Furrow, Kurtis (Susan Michelle's friend), Bob Rogers (Deb Long's brother), Eli (Bob & Lavona's grandson), Paula Mayer, 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, 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.
Open Hearts! Open Minds! Open Doors!

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

February 4 – Rocky Mangler, Elliott Mills

9 – LeaAnn Michels, Dana Hayes, Jerry Ingersoll, & Becky Pitman (Weidman)

10—Lacey Eissens

CALENDAR

Monday, February 5

Pastor out of town.

1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies

3:30 to 5 pm - West Carroll Food Pantry

Tuesday, February 6

6:30 pm – UWF meeting @ FUMC

Wednesday, February 7

10 am – Choir practice

Thursday, February 8

9 am – Bible Study

6:30 to 8 pm - Bishop's Day in District (Laity)

7 pm – Zoom Prayer meeting

Sunday, February 11 (Mardi Gras)

8:45 am – Adult Sunday School

9:30 am - Children & Youth Sunday School

10:15 am – Worship

11:15 am – Souper Bowl Sunday Lunch

WORSHIP HELPERS

	February 11	February 18
Acolyte	Blaine Johnson	Jiwon Yim
Liturgist	Linda Jachino	Jason Moore
Counter	Molly Andersen	Rhonda Law
Verifier	Linda Jachino	Kay Cavanagh

Last Week's Attendance: 47 + 2 dogs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Blessing Basket</u> – We are in need of laundry soap, dish soap, and men's body wash. We always need paper products. Your support is greatly appreciated!

<u>The Women's Group</u> 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.

<u>Weekly Zoom Prayer Meetings</u> –will be every Thursday, @ 7 pm. Pastor Dave will email you a link each week.

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

<u>Communion offering</u> – will go towards GriefShare ministry.

<u>Call Tree</u> – please update your phone number on the list.

Confirmation class – TODAY @ 3 to 4:30 pm

<u>United Women of Faith</u> – meeting Tuesday, Feb 6th @ 6:30.

Choir Practice – Wednesday, February 7th @ 10 am

<u>Bishop Day on the District</u> – Thursday, February 8th at Faith UMC in Freeport. Laity @ 6:30 to 8 pm. For more information, see the office for info.

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

Soup & Lenten Bible Study – will begin on Thursday, Feb 15th @ 4:30 pm. "Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith" by Adam Hamilton.

Trustees/Ad Council – meet Feb 18th @ 9 am/11:15 am

<u>Nursery Room Usage</u> – per NIC Safe Sanctuary policies, no child/ children are to be in there without an adult (18 or older) present.

<u>For Your Safety</u> – once church starts, all doors will be locked except the handicapped doors. So please use those if you are running late.

<u>Pictures for Church Directory</u> – Sign up sheets will be posted in the Narthex soon! Really want everyone in the directory!!!

<u>New Sewing Ministry</u> – We invite all sewers to get involved in our sewing ministry buy 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 February 4th, 2024

Vision 2024 – "Stay in Love and Peace with God"

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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