



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

February 26, 2023

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE

Ryker McCombie

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bonnie Davies

Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

We are learning to follow Jesus.

For those who feel Christ near,

May we not turn away from the discomfort of the journey ahead.

For those who feel as far from Christ as the desert is from the ocean,

May we find Christ in the wilderness with us.

For all of us who stumble and fall in our silence, indifference, and lack of generosity,

May we reach for the hand of Christ, who raises us up to continue on the journey.

Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.

*HYMN #77 "How Great Thou Art"

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Bonnie Davies

Holy One, we are constantly bombarded with

temptations and enticements. When we yield, when

we fail, who will help us? You, Lord, have come to our

aid. You teach us, counsel us, and guide us in the ways we should go. We rejoice in your unfailing love. Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED #881

Bonnie Davies

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:

Esther Losh

SCRIPTURE

Romans 5:15-19 (CEB)

Bonnie Davies

*GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11 (CEB)

Pastor Dave

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

A: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN #269 "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

MESSAGE: "Grace Even Multiplies More" Pastor Dave

SHARING OF JOY AND CONCERNS

(Text Pastor Dave, 224-600-0446)

PRAYER FOR 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)

Generous God, as we remember Jesus' temptation in the wilderness, we acknowledge the temptation that pursues so many of us: to measure our worth, our power and our security by what we have. As we offer these gifts to you today, we pray that you might deliver us from the temptation of building our lives around what belongs to us. Continually lead us to the conviction that what matters is that we belong to you. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.

*HYMN #378

"Amazing Grace"

*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, Rhonda Harlock Smith, Jill Hofstetter, John Irons, Dallas Kosier, Judy Law, Mike Foltz, Bonnie Parker, Dan Piercy, Rich Rathje, Annisa (niece of Bonnie Davies), John Ritchie, Bill Robinson, Adalyna Rose, Ron Smith, Grace Struve, Gi-Tae Yim, Inga, The Family of Rhea Scarlette (daughter of Ashley Huebner), Sandy Pratt, Kevin MaHomes, Sandy Froehlich, Dan Zambon, Pastor Lee Bishop Dan, Fabiola, New DS Hwa-Young, Deb (Kris Yingling's friend), Barb McFadden, Tom Grissinger.

Our shut-ins: Mary Ann Larsen, Sylvia Reuterfors, Dorothy Taylor, Alice Riffe-Torrison, Joy Turner, Steve Yenney

Our country & government, Military Personnel & their families, The safety of Ukrainians & end of wars, Turkey, Syria, WC staff, teachers and students

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

February 26 – Janis Jones
 28 – Diane Brinkmeier, Denise Curtis
Burt & Kathie Prins (1976)
 March 4 – Pam Darrow, Kelly Johnson
 5 – Greg Jepson

CALENDAR

Monday February 27
 1 to 3 pm– Sewing Ladies
 Wednesday March 1
 10 am – Choir practice
 7 pm – Lenten Service (Presbyterian church)
 Thursday March 2
 9 am – Bible Study
 4:30 pm – Lenten Bible Study
 Sunday March 5 (Communion Sunday)
 8:45 am - Adult Sunday School
 9:30 am - Kids and Youth Sunday School
 10:15 am - Hybrid Worship
 5-6:15 pm – Youth Group

WORSHIP HELPERS

	March 5	March 12
Acolyte	Jiwon Yim	Boyd Law
Liturgist	Esther Losh	Molly Anderson
Counter	Molly Andersen	Rhonda Law
Verifier	Jackie Walker	Tom Michels
Youth S.S.	Pastor Dave	Jason & Cori

Last Week’s Attendance: 54

ANNOUNCEMENTS

West Carroll Food Pantry –Please continue to bring your donations. (Jelly, cereal, and syrup)

Blessing Basket– We need women & men’s shampoo, laundry detergent, dish soap, liquid Tylenol & Ibuprofen for children, Batteries (all sizes), bulbs, toilet paper, and paper towels. Thank you for your continued support!

United Women in Faith – 1st Tuesday of the Month
 March 7th @ 6:30 pm

United Methodist Men – 3rd Tuesday of the Month
 March 21st @ 5:30 pm New Book –‘How Jesus Became God’ with food and fellowship

Soul Sisters– March 14th here at noon.

Baked potato bar lunch and “Fun & Games”

Health & Worship – 3rd Thursday of the Month
 March 16th @ 3:30 pm

Potato Bar & UMCOR – March 19th

Rice Meal Packing Day – April 22 (Saturday) at 9 am

2023 Lenten Program

1. Save \$1 with fasting for Rice Meal Packing (Envelope)
2. Read the Gospel of Luke (reading plan is ready for you)
3. Join Lenten bible study with the Book “Luke” by Pastor Adam Hamilton. Pastor can order a book for you. 1st meeting is March 2nd at 4:30pm

Lenten services - every Wednesday evening at 7pm
 March 1st @ First Presbyterian Church

Summer Youth Mission Trip to Tennessee, 6/11 to 6/17.

Carroll County Youth Group– Next meeting is March 5th from 5 pm to 6:15 pm. (Meet 1st Sunday of each month)

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



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 Sunday, 10:15 am
 February 26, 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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