

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."

10:15 am Sunday Worship

March 13, 2022

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE Jiho & Jiwon Yim

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Esther Losh

The Lord is my light and my salvation. Lord, listen to my voice when I cry out.

Be gracious to me and answer me!

Come, my heart says, seek God's face.

Lord, I do seek your face!

Please don't hide it from me!

Lord, you have been my help! Teach me your way!

All: I will sing and praise the Lord! Amen!

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN #140: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Esther Losh

Dear God, we are gathered as living proof that your love for humanity knows no limits. When we feel overwhelmed by the stresses of daily life, we need only look at the stars in the sky to remember your abiding faithfulness. When we are overcome with despair by the pain of war and poverty in our world, we need only to see the light of candles to remember the One you sent as our light, our strength, and our salvation. We pray now in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED #881 Esther Losh SCRIPTURE Philippians 3:17-4:1 (NRSV)

GOSPEL Luke 13:31-35 (NRSV) (Please Rise)

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

HYMN #118: "The Care the Eagle Gives Her Young"

CHOIR "Love Grows Here"

MESSAGE "Under His Wings" Pastor Dave

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES DOXOLOGY #95

OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

Faithful God, you have kept your promises to us. Our lives give witness to your abundant blessings. May we faithfully keep our promises to you. Strengthen our commitment to live as true disciples of Jesus Christ. Your love sustains us, guides us, and empowers us. Take these gifts as signs of our promise to give ourselves completely into your care—to live without fear; to trust your love without reservation. Amen.

HYMN #580: "Lead On, O King Eternal"

BENEDICTION

GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD

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.
Our slogan is Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors

We are the people of the United Methodist Church.

In Our Prayers

Emilee Deerer, Susan Meyer, Patti Thulen, Betty Speck, Beth Wickes, Claire Winterburn, Billy David, Dawn Barber, Alice Riffe, Robert Hill, Matthew Foltz, Judy Law, Bang-Wool Lim, Grace Struve, Merry Florence, Pat (Brother of Pam Darrow), Katie Wand, Greg Eversoll, Dallas Kosier, Paul Mayer, Bill Robinson, Chris Falk, Ron Smith, John Hamm, Salvador Sanchey, Collen Olsen, John Hamm, Courtney Johnson, Ann Larson, Bonnie Parker, Stone Curboy, Rhonda Harlock Smith, John Irons, John Jachino, Peter Tsoukalas, Jane Rubietta.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, Dorothy Taylor, Bill Weidman, Steve Yenny

Our country & government/West Carroll Schools. Military Personnel & their families. Pray for students, teachers, administrators, parents & workers. Peace on earth and peace in Ukraine.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

March

13 – Sandy Pratt

13 – John & Linda Jachino 1971

14 – Tom Michels

15 – Wallene Neumiller

16 – *Bob & Teresa Bauer 2002*

17 – Collin Fosdick

CALENDAR

Monday, March 14

Vivian Eaton

1 pm Sewing Ladies

Noon – 2 Soul Sisters

5 pm United Methodist Men

Tuesday, March 15

7 pm Finance Committee (Zoom)

Wednesday, March 16

7 pm Interfaith Lenten Service @ United Church of Christ – Pastor Bonnie Davies

Thursday, March 17

9 am Bible Study

3 pm Health & Worship

6:30 pm Lenten Bible Study

9 am Trustees
9:15 am Adult Sunday School
10:15 am Worship
10:15 am Children's Sunday School
Following Service Ad Council

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friendly reminder: Lori Miller, you are the counter for March 20th. The verifier is Sharon Guilinger. Liturgist is Molly Andersen, Acolyte is Dalton Shaw. Worship helpers for March are Molly Andersen, Susan Michelle Jepsen, Esther Losh, Pam Darrow, Linda Jachino.

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: 44 inside, 7 outside.

<u>Food Pantry</u> – This month items needed are fruit juice, and cereal.

Blessing basket –This month we need D batteries and dish detergent. Please leave your donations in the food pantry box in the narthex. Thank you!

Choir Director

We are looking for someone to direct our adult and children's choir. Each choir would be singing once a month during church service.

Every 2nd Sunday – Adult

Every 4th Sunday – Children's choir.

Sunday School

Every Sunday @ 9:15 am Adult Sunday School Every Sunday @ 10:15 am preschoolers – 5th graders

Youth Group Meeting

First Wednesday of the month @ 5:45 pm, mid school through high school.

Next meeting is Wednesday, April 6 @ 5:45 pm.

Bible Study

Every Thursday @ 9 am Lenten Bible Study (3/10, Thursday) @ 6:30pm

Worship

Let us worship God together at FUMC. Hybrid service, every Sunday @ 10:15 am.

- Indoor, with mask and social distance.
- Outdoor, in your car. Tune in to FM 88.9
 Pre-recorded online service on our church website.

 Www.firstumcsavanna.org
 Or call 815-599-1307 to hear the latest sermon.

Did you know that you can donate your Tithes online? Online giving with Tithe.ly

You can find the link on our church website.

AA meeting in Savanna, every Wednesday at 7 pm at the Table, 411 Main St, Savanna.

March communion giving will be sent to support the prison ministry. Thank you for your donation! We collected \$79 through our March communion giving.

United Methodist Men – Cookout, fellowship, and setup Of future meetings and missions. It's 3/14 (Mon) at 5pm.

We are in the season of Lent. Lent is a time to prepare ourselves for the Risen Christ by observing a period of Fasting, repentance, and spiritual discipline. Please, join our community Lenten services every Wednesday at 7pm and Lenten Bible Study every Thursday at 6:30pm. Please, sign up for worship helpers and Bible Study.

Kids Kards

Kids Kards will meet after church on March 27th. We Will be making Easter cards. All supplies are provided and everyone is welcome. Come get creative and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord with others. Lunchables will be provided to take home. Any questions call Molly Andersen at 815-273-2104.



First United Methodist Church Sunday, 10:15 am March 13, 2022

Vision 2022 – "Love Others!"

Outward Focused Ministry during/after the Pandemic (To build up a strong and safe community)
Strong in Mission, Strong in Justice, Strong in Diversity

"All the believers were together and had everything in common." (Acts 2:44)

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