



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 May 21, 2023

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE Ellie Johnson

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOGNITION OF 2023 GRADUATES

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS APPRECIATION TIME

PRAYER FOR GRADUATES

*CALL TO WORSHIP Esther Losh

Leader: God of truth and knowledge, by your wisdom we are taught the way and the truth. Bless our graduates as they now finish this course of study.

All: We thank you for those who taught and worked beside them, and all who supported them along the way.

Leader: Walk with the graduates as they leave and move forward in life. Take away their anxiety and confusion of purpose.

All: Strengthen their many talents and skills, instill in them a confidence in the future you plan, where energies may be gathered up and used for the good of all people.

Leader: For the graduates, this truly is a day of new beginnings, a time to remember and move on, and a time to believe what love is bringing.

All: May they always know that Christ is alive and goes before us, to show and share what love can do. This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.

*HYMN #315 "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" (v, 1, 2, and 3)

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison) Esther Losh

Gracious heavenly father, you create life from the earth on which we dwell and breathe into it new life and meaning. Graciously you empower us with knowledge and skills to aid

one another as we live out our life on this earth. We humbly ask for your blessings upon our gathering today as we reflect on your grace and kindness towards these young lives. We celebrate both the endings and beginnings of the opportunities you provide. Empower us all to live lives worthy of the callings you offer, that we may strengthen one another and care for your creation as we journey together with you. In the name of Jesus Christ, we offer our prayers. 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: Molly Andersen

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 5:6-11 (CEB) Esther Losh

*GOSPEL John 17:6-11 (CEB) Pastor Dave
L: The Word of God for the people of God.

A: Thanks be to God!

CHOIR: "A Place in the Choir" by Bill Staines

MESSAGE: "Humble Yourselves!" 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)

God of wisdom, the gifts we bring this day are a small part of all we have received. We confess that our inclination to be more generous is often hindered by our anxieties about the economy. Our hesitancy to share our faith and advocate for compassion and justice is influenced by the divisions we see in our world and community. We even hold back from inviting our neighbors to church due to concerns about how they perceive the church at this time. Remind us that it is Jesus whom we offer to the world, not just ourselves. Help us to surrender our anxieties to Jesus, for the one who triumphed over the grave can carry our burdens effortlessly. We pray in the name of Jesus, who conquered death once and for all. Amen.

*HYMN #593 "Here I Am, Lord"

*BLESSINGS OF GRADUATES

*GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD Vivian Eaton

In Our Prayers

Billy David, Emilee Derrer, Merry Florence, Matthew Foltz, Rod Furrow, Rhonda Harlock Smith, Jill Hofstetter, John Irons, Judy Law, Mike Foltz, Dan Piercy, Rich Rathje, Annisa (niece of Bonnie Davies), John Ritchie, Gi-Tae Yim, Inga, Scarlette (daughter of Ashley Huebner), Sandy Froehlich, Vanessa Grissinger, Deb Endress (Kris Yingling's friend), Barb McFadden, Glen White, Harry Grissinger, Pete (Kim Gonzales' brother), Ed Jepsen, Ron Smith, Tyrone Burcham, Lisa & Cody Coers, Shirley Fritz, Vickie Moore, Bobby Higbea (Susan Michelle's friend), Breanna & her dad (Susan Michelle's friend), Baby Adrian & his mom, Alice (Esther's sister), Cori Moore and her parents, the family of Mike Becker (Ronda's friend), the family of Ruth Guilinger (LeaAnn Michels' mother), Janet Smith, Owen Davies (Bonnie's son), and our Farmers.

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, our Youth Mission trip, the victims of all the flooding, and the victims of the gun violence and their families.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- May 22 – Jeanne Spraezt
- 24 – Nathan Schoenecker, *John & Julie Brigham (1998), Enoch & Ramona Green (1980)*
- 25 – John LeComte, *Jon & Pam Darrow (1985)*
- 26 – Jerry Cavanagh, Chris Falk
- 27 – Jean Ferris
- 28 – Shirley Hastings, Carlo Stubbe

CALENDAR

- Monday May 22
 - 1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies
- Tuesday May 23
 - 3 to 6 pm – Blood Drive
 - 7 pm – Finance Meeting (Zoom)
- Thursday May 25
 - 9 am – Bible Study
- Friday May 26
 - 6 to 7:30 pm – Girl Scouts
- Sunday May 28 (Memorial Day Service)
 - 10:15 am – Hybrid Worship

WORSHIP HELPERS

	May 28	June 4
Acolyte	Memorial Service	TBD
Liturgist	Molly Andersen	Noah Johnson
Counter	Vivian Eaton	Molly Andersen
Verifier	LaVona Grissinger	Mary Irons
Coffee	Volunteer	Volunteer

Last Week's Attendance:61

*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 –School will be out soon and that means some children will be missing 2 meals a day throughout the summer months. Please prayerfully consider donating peanut butter (creamy), jelly (grape/strawberry), pancake mix, syrup, soup (tomato, cream of mushroom/chicken), canned fruit (any kind), crackers (any kind), and mac & cheese (can never have enough) during these summer months.

Blessing Basket – We need dish soap, laundry soap, body lotion, aluminum foil, and always paper products. Thank you so much for your continued support!

Finance Meeting – May 23rd @ 7 pm (zoom)

Blood Drive – Tuesday, May 23rd @ 3 to 6 pm.

Sign-up link is on the church Facebook page.

Kids Kards– None for May. Resume June 25th

Summer Church Service will be at 9:30 am beginning June 4th

United Women in Faith – 1st Tuesday of the Month @ 6:30

Next meeting is June 6th. We will also be going to Timber Lake Playhouse one day in June. Stay tuned for an update!

Soul Sisters – Krape Park & Union Dairy Outing – June 21st. We will celebrate the first day of summer with a tour of the park and lunch at the dairy. RSVP Linda Jachino (815)541-4760

Summer Youth Mission Trip to Tennessee, 6/10 to 6/17.

Summer Vacation Bible School– 7/17 to 7/21

UW Men will hold a church picnic on July 16th. Stay tuned!

Beautification in Motion 7th Annual Plant & Bake Sale – Saturday, June 3rd from 9 am to 12 noon. Any questions, see bulletin board or contact Pam Darrow.



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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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