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

May 28, 2023

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRESENTATION OF COLORS (Please rise!)

Presentation and Honor

Pledge of Allegiance

The National Anthem: "Star Spangled Banner" Vivian Eaton

PRESENTATION OF MEMORIAL SYMBOLS

Vivian Eaton PIANO: "God Bless America" Dog Tags, Helmet, Duffel Bag, Poppies, Yellow Ribbon, Medals, & Bible

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE BRANCHES

Veterans please stand as your service branch is named Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, & Coast Guard

SPECIAL MUSIC: "More Than a Name on a Wall" Shelby Rathje by the Statler Brothers

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Molly Andersen

L: Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties. For all the wonder of our country's story.

P: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD!

L: For leaders in nation and state who in days past and in these present times have labored for justice and for peace.

P: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD!

L: For those who in all times and places have been true and brave, and in the world's common ways have lived upright lives and ministered to their fellow human beings.

P: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD!

L: For those who served their country in its hour of need, and especially for those who gave even their lives in that service.

P: WE GIVE YOU THANKS, O GOD!

L: Merciful God, as we remember these, your servants,

remembering with gratitude their courage and strength, we hold before you those who mourn them. Look upon your bereaved servants with our mercy. As this day brings them memories of those they have lost, may it also bring your consolation and the assurance that their loved ones are alive now and forever in your living presence.

A: Amen.

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Molly Andersen

Eternal God, as we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please hold our service men and women in your strong arms. Cover them with your sheltering grace and your presence as they stand in the gap for our protection. We also remember the families of heroes. We ask for your unique blessings to fill their homes, and we pray your peace, provision, and strength will fill their lives. May they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED #881

Molly Andersen

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: 1 Corinthians 12:12-13(CEB)

Molly Andersen

*GOSPEL:

John 7:37-39 (CEB)

Pastor Dave

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

A: Thanks be to God!

HYMN: #696 "America the Beautiful"

MESSAGE: "One Spirit" **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 wind and flame: set us on fire this morning as we celebrate the explosion of your Holy Spirit coming into the world on the Day of Pentecost! Remind us that the gift you gave that day was not just the gift to speak in different tongues, but also the gift of hearing and comprehension. May your Holy Spirit keep us attuned to the voices all around us, to those who need us to be bearers of your love and compassion, and may these gifts we give help us, through your church, meet those needs. In the holy name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC: "God Bless the USA"

by: Lee Greenwood

BENEDICTION

(All veterans will be called to walk to church rail.)

*MEMORIAL TRIBUTE: PRESENTATION OF THE FOLDED FLAG (Please rise!)

*TAPS

*GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD

Vivian Eaton

Shelby Rathje

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.

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, Pete (Kim Gonzales' brother), Ed Jepsen, Ron Smith, Tyrone Burcham, Lisa, Lester, & Cody Coers, Shirley Fritz, Vickie Moore, Bobby Higbea (Susan Michelle's friend), Baby Adrian & his mom, Alice (Esther's sister), Janet Smith, Owen Davies (Bonnie's son), Irene Evans, Seth & Kimber (Jackie Walker's grandson-in-law & great granddaughter), 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, Youth Mission trip, the victims of all the flooding, and the victims of the gun violence and their families.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

June 3 – Sylvia Reuterfors, *Joe & Sharon Guilinger (1989)* 4 – Jim Eaton, Herb Pratt

CALENDAR

Monday May 29 (Memorial Day)

1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies

Wednesday May 31

10 am – Choir Practice

Thursday June 1 (Church office closed)

9 am – Bible Study

Sunday June 4 (Communion)

9:30 am – Hybrid Worship

After church, youth mission trip preparation meeting

WORSHIP HELPERS

	June 4	June 11
Acolyte	Jiwon Yim	Pearl Michels
Liturgist	Noah Johnson	Linda Jachino
Counter	Molly Anderson	Rhonda Law
Verifier	Mary Irons	Volunteer

Last Week's Attendance: 62 + 6 dogs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

West Carroll Food Pantry – 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.

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

Church Office closed – Thursday, June 1st.

Kids Kards – None for May. Resume June 25th

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

<u>United Women in Faith</u> – 1st Tuesday of the Month @ 6:30 Next meeting is June 6th. We will be going to Timber Lake Playhouse to see "Grease".

<u>Soul Sisters</u> – 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.

We will gather on Sunday, June 4th, to send off the team to the mission field with our prayers. Following the church service, there will be a preparation meeting.

Still waiting for tool donations: Box end wrench set, Wood chisel set, Speed square, a couple of hammers, Circular Saw, and Wrecking bar Thank you very much for your support!

<u>Summer Vacation Bible School</u> – 7/17 to 7/21, Theme: Hero Hotline <u>UW Men</u> – No meeting in June. We will hold a church picnic on July 16th. Stay tuned!

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

<u>Sunday School</u> – Children, Youth, Adult Sunday School will resume in September. Youth Group will also resume in September.

<u>June Communion Giving</u> – will go to support 'Peace with Justice' Ministry. 6/4 Sunday is Peace with Justice Sunday.

Thank you for your support of the blood drive. We successfully collected a total of 17 units!!!



First United Methodist Church Sunday, 10:15 am May 28, 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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