



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.”

9:30 am Sunday Worship August 6, 2023

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE Jiwon Yim

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP LaVona Grissinger

L: Beloved disciples, welcome. Some of us come weary and hungry, while others come rested and content. Still others come ready to wrestle with the questions that keep us up at night. No matter how you enter this space, we say,

P: Come, let us worship God together!

L: Together, we notice the fatigue we carry, the exhaustion that comes from our hunger for care and connection with one another and with God. Yet, when God says to feed one another, we answer,

P: We have nothing but...

L: Together, we feel the unrest and turmoil of grappling with the unknown, unsure whether we are fighting for everyone's well-being or merely our own stability. Yet, when God tells us to start by loving God and our neighbors, we answer,

P: We have nothing but...

L: Together, then, let us wrestle with our hungers that we may be transformed into people who seek and find God all around us, so that when God calls us to feed the hungry and struggle for those in need of help, we answer,

P: In you, we have everything. Use us as you will. Amen.

*HYMN #657 “This Is the Day” (x2)

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison) LaVona Grissinger

Lord, we come to you this day in the midst of our summer months. For many this is a time of relaxation; but for others, the burdens, worries, and cares continue to weigh them down. Be with each of us as we open our ears to hear your words, our hearts to feel your presence, and our spirits to receive your

healing touch. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED #881 LaVona Grissinger

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.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 17:1-7 (CEB) LaVona Grissinger

GOSPEL Matthew 14:13-21 (CEB)

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

A: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN #618 “Let Us Break Bread Together” (v. 1-3 only)

MESSAGE: Bring Them to Me! Pastor Dave Yim

SHARING OF JOY AND CONCERNS(Text Pastor Dave, 224-600-0446)

PRAYER FOR PEOPLE

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION/CONFESSION

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

OFFERING OURSELVES

*DOXOLOGY

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of power and glory, as we bring our tithes and offerings to be dedicated to the building of your kingdom here on earth, we are reminded of all the blessings we have received. Be with each of us as we, too, commit ourselves to lives of joyful and thankful service. In Jesus' name, we pray. 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.

THE BREAD AND CUP

*HYMN #620 “One Bread, One Body”

*BENEDICTION

*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, John Ritchie, Gi-Tae Yim, Inga, Sandy Froehlich, Vanessa Grissinger, Ed Jepsen, Deb Endress (Kris Yingling's friend), Barb McFadden, Glen White, Pete (Kim Gonzales' brother), 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, Seth & Kimber (Jackie Walker's grandson-in-law and great granddaughter), Brady O'Neal, Eli (Bob & LaVona's grandson), Ron & Shirley (Karen Hoffman's cousins), Pastor Bill Landis, Shirley Hastings, Carol Eyerly (Cori Moore's mom), Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison (Ronda's parents), Pastor Karen Schilling (Bonnie Davies' friend), Donny Hughes, Jeff O'Leary, Kathy Wainwright (Susan Michelle's friend), Kim Walker (Jackie's daughter), Denise Curtis, Paul Mayer, Diane Brinkmeier, the family of Carol Miller, 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, Syria, Israel, and the victims of every day 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.

We are glad you are here.

Open Hearts! Open Minds! Open Doors!

We are the people of the United Methodist Church.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- August 10 – Ryan Miller
- 11 – Jaime Mayer
- 12 – Joleen Lashelle
- 13 – LaVona Grissinger, Martha Purchis

CALENDAR

- Monday August 7
 - 1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies
 - 3:30 to 5 pm – West Carroll Food Pantry
 - 3:30 to 5 pm – School Supply Distribution
- Wednesday August 9
 - 1 to 2 pm – Hand out Water at the Fair
 - 3:30 to 5 pm – School Supply Distribution
- Sunday August 13
 - 8:45 am - Trustees
 - 9:30 am Hybrid Service
 - 10:30 am – Ad Council

WORSHIP HELPERS

	August 13	August 20
Acolyte	Pearl Michels	Jisung Yim
Liturgist	Jason Moore	Concert
Counter	Rhonda Law	Lori Miller
Verifier	Pam Darrow	Linda Jachino

Last Week's Attendance: 50 + 2 dogs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

West Carroll Food Pantry – Some children are missing 2 meals a day throughout the summer months. Please prayerfully consider donating Mac & cheese (never have enough), fruit cups/canned fruit (fruit cocktail, mandarin oranges, peaches), pasta sauce, and cereal are needed right now! We can always use peanut butter (creamy), jelly (grape/strawberry), pancake mix, syrup, soup (tomato, cream of mushroom/chicken), and crackers (any kind) during these summer months. If donating pudding/jello cups, please check to see if they need to be refrigerated. If they do, please let Ronda know right away. We so appreciate your generosity and support!

Blessing Basket – We need tooth brushes, tooth paste, dish soap, along with laundry soap, body lotion, aluminum foil, and always paper products. Your support is greatly appreciated!

School Supplies - It's time to start collecting school supplies already! Glue sticks, markers, pencils, and notebooks are in the stores and on sale. You can leave your donations in the Food Pantry Box in the narthex. Any donation is welcome, including monetary ones. Thank you for helping our West Carroll students get ready for a great school year. **Distribution dates will be Monday, August 7th @ 3:30 to 5 pm and Wednesday, August 9th @ 3:30 to 5 pm.**

Outreach – There are 8 spots reserved at the Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham on Monday, Sept 18th. They will leave on Monday morning and return Friday afternoon. Contact Cindy Law at 815-990-3629.

Trustees & Ad Council - will each meet on August 13th instead of 20th
Bible Study – Will resume on Thursday, August 24th at 9 am.

Mission Trip Team (2023/2024) – Meeting on Sunday, August 20th at approximately 11 am. (after the concert)

UM Men – next meeting is August 15th at 5:30 pm.

Finance – next meeting is August 15th at 7:00 pm via zoom

Health & Worship – next meeting is August 17th at 3:30 pm

Kids Kards– next meeting is August 27th after church service

Sunday School & Youth Group – (Children, Youth, Adult) will resume in September.

New Sewing Ministry – We invite all sewers to get involved in our sewing ministry but 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!!!

Shirah Brothers will be here on August 20th for our worship service! They are an up-and-coming trio of brothers who have great talent and share heartfelt messages that Christ has directed in their program. They were the 2022 winner of the National Quartet Convention Showcase Award and will be singing at the Ark in Kentucky for the 40 days and 40 nights of Praise this September.



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Sunday, 9:30 am

August 6, 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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