

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

September 26, 2021

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART

Vivian Eaton

Liturgist

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: Are any among us suffering?
- P: Come and pray.
- L: Are any among us cheerful?
- P: Come sing songs of praise.
- L: Are any among us sick?
- P: Come and ask for healing.
- L: Our help is in our God,
- P: the One who made heaven and earth.
- L: Call upon God, Creator and Rescuer.
- A: God is on our side.

HYMN #2055 "You Are My Hiding Place" (Insert)

HYMN #2056 "God is So Good" (Insert)

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

Liturgist

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Eternal God, you create us and you rescue us. Be here with us now. Help us know how much we need you. Teach us that no other power can support us like your power. As you share your power with us, teach us to be Christ to the world, proclaiming your reign for all people. As you lavish your love upon us, help us receive that love and offer it to the world, in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED (Insert) Liturgist

SCRIPTURE James 5:13-16(NRSV) Liturgist GOSPEL Mark 9:38 – 42(NRSV) (Please Rise)

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

P: Thanks be to God.

HYMN #591 "Rescue the Perishing" (v.1, 3, & 4, Insert)

MESSAGE: "Whoever is not against Jesus" Pastor Dave

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Insert)

OFFERING OURSELVES

DOXOLOGY #95 (Insert)

OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

Giving God, we can never match your generosity. When we are in need, you are at our side, present to us even in our darkest moments. You rescue us from harm. Make us into a people who celebrate your goodness, drawing others into the celebration of your many blessings. Receive our offerings, even if they are as small as a drink for someone who thirsts. Transform them into the mystery of your reign here and now on earth, in the name of Jesus, your greatest gift, Amen.

HYMN #396 "O Jesus, I Have Promised" (Insert)

BENEDICTION

God has created all things. God has rescued us from sin and suffering.

Jesus Christ finds us when we wander far from God. The Holy Spirit empowers us to welcome all into the reign of God's love.

Let us go forth, seeking to be on God's side, bringing the love of Christ everywhere we go.

GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD Vivian Eaton 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

Judy Dunn, Emilee Deerer, Susan Meyer, Patti Thulen, Betty Speck, Beth Wickes, Claire Winterburn, Billy David, Dee Helle, Chris Falk, Patty Nevills, Dawn Barber, Alice Riffe, Robert Hill, Matthew Foltz, Keith Brown, Bruce Fritz, Gary Goetz, Mike Johnson, Judy Law, Don Adams, Bang-Wool Yim, Grace Struve, Merry Florence, Sammy Alvelo, Pat (Brother of Pam Darrow), Katie Wand, Kirk Hoffman, Courtney Johnson, Susan Michelle Jepsen, Ann Zink, Family of Loren Heidenreich.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, John Hamm, Dorothy Taylor, Paul Brunner, Sylvia Reuterfors, Bill & Letty Weidman. Our country & government/West Carroll Schools. Military Personnel & their families. With school now open, please pray for students, teachers, administrators, parents & workers.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

September

26 – Jessica Turner

26 – Tim & Kay Cavanagh (1986)

October

1 – Emily Mills, Cindy Norman

CALENDAR

Monday, September 27 – Church office closed

No Body & Soul Yoga

1pm Sewing Ladies

Wednesday, September 29 4:30pm Confirmation class

Thursday, September 30

9pm Bible Study

Saturday, October 2

9am – 3pm Annual Conference Fall Session

Sunday, October 3

8:15am Adult Sunday School

9:30am Worship (outside)

9:30am Sunday School

Bike tour will be using building from approx. noon Sunday – noon Monday

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friendly reminder: Charlene & Paula Mayer, you are the counter(s) for October 3rd. The verifier is Melinda Dykema. Liturgist is Bonnie Davies. Thank you!

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: 70 Outside

<u>Food Pantry</u> – This month items needed are fruit juice, peanut butter, and egg noodles. The West Carroll School Food Pantry will take donations of Halloween treats to make goody bags for the children this month.

<u>Blessing basket</u> –Items needed are men's deodorant and men's shampoo, and toilet paper. Thank you for your continued support! Please leave your donations in the food pantry box in the Narthex.

Worship schedule: 9:30 am worship <u>outside service only</u>
Worship will continue to meet outside thru September
for the safety of everyone.
Will re-evaluate at end of September by
Worship Committee.

Youth Group Meeting 6^{th ·} 12th grade Wednesday, October 6 at 6 pm Church Youth Room



Did you know that you can donate your Tithes online? Online giving with Tithe.ly You can find the link on our church website.

A High School student and his mother recently moved into the house on Chicago Ave. that burnt down over the weekend.

There was nothing salvageable from the house. Please consider donating clothing items or gift cards to West Carroll High School, Here are the student's sizes:

Mens - Shirts- Large to XL, Pants- Large, Shoes- 11.5

We have no information on the mother at this time.

If you wish to bring items to the church office, we will take them to the school.

River Bend Food Truck October 23.

The River Bend Food Truck will be at the yellow garage behind the Savanna Fire Station on Saturday, October 23 for food distribution. As always they could use volunteers to help with this endeavor. Please be there by 9:30 a.m. if you can help.

Church Conference

Conference will be on Sunday, October 10th during normal church service.

CPR & AED training

We will be offering CPR & AED training on Sunday, November 7 following church service. If you are interested, please contact Shari or Pastor Dave to sign up.



First United Methodist Church Sunday, 9:30 am September 26, 2021 (Outside Service Only)

Vision 2021 – "Love God!"

Inward Focused Ministry during the Pandemic (to build up strong and vital church)
Strong in Worship, Strong in Fellowship, Strong in Resources

"Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go (Joshua 1:9)

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