



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

October 6, 2024

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE

Pearl Michels

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Susan King

L: Our world is so divided, fragmented by anger and hate.

P: Lord, draw us together at the table of our Lord.

L: Heal our wounds and build bridges of help and hope for everyone.

P: Lord, meet us at the table and feed us with your healing words.

L: Lord, call us together to feast on your mercy and goodness.

P: Nourish us with words of peace that we may go into your world with love and compassion for all your people.

*HYMN #1 FWS #2226 “Bind Us Together Lord”

*OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Susan King

God of hope and peace, you are with us in all our days and all our ways. As you walked with the Israelites in the desert, when they had given up hope, you came to them with nourishment and your steadfast love. As Jesus walked through Jerusalem, healing the sick and those afflicted, your love was made abundantly clear through acts of love and mercy. Be with us this day as we gather to hear your word. Inspire and encourage us in all that we do, so that we may serve you faithfully, bringing hope and your message of love to your thirsting world. In Jesus’ name, we pray. AMEN.

THE APOSTLE’S CREED #881

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.

GOSPEL 누가복음 22:7-20/Luke 22:7-20 (CEB)

Kay Cavanagh/Susan King

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE “The Table of Unity”

Pastor Fernando

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS (call/text Pastor 773-971-7208)

PRAYER FOR PEOPLE

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION/CONFESSION AND PARDON

SILENT PRAYER

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

OFFERING OURSELVES

*DOXOLOGY #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor Fernando

Gracious God, you create more than we could ever hope to return. You share more than we could ever hope to deserve. And yet, we pray and accept these humble gifts. May they honor and glorify you in all creation, and may they empower us for the work of witness and service, for the sake of justice, and for the sake of peace, now and forever. 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.

BREAKING THE BREAD

HYMN #2 FWS #2273 “Jesus We Are Here/Jesu, Tawa Pano”

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*HYMN #3 FWS #2223

“They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love”

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD

Vivian Eaton

In Our Prayers

Emilee Derrer, Sandy Froehlich, Barb McFadden, Glen White, Pastor Bill Landis, Shirley Hastings, Curtis Pilgrim (Kris Yingling’s friend), Sandy Pratt, Lexi Tsoukalas (Molly’s great niece), Debbie Bilik (Janet Morlock’s friend), Scarlett Huebner, Chrissy Sullivan, Miles Purchis (Max Purchis’ grandson), Angie (Paula’s friend), Roger Furrow, Eli (Bob & Lavona’s grandson), Paula Mayer, Tinslee, Ed & Barb Jepsen, Mary (Belandar) Klein, Howard Nichols, Jackie Walker, John Jachino, Dennis Plattenberger (Mary’s friend), Kristin (Bob & LaVona Grissinger’s granddaughter), Chuck Curtis, Alyssa Volkers, Mary Ellen Dreger, Sharon Guilinger, Bob Grissinger, Burt Prins, Lisa (LaVona’s friend), Jill (Melinda Dykema’s daughter), Elyssa Gooding (Bonnie’s daughter), Susan Foltz (organist at Mt. Carroll UMC), Denise Curtis, Abby & baby (Karen Hoffman’s cousin), LaVona Grissinger, Tom Michels, Iola McCutcheon (Tim Cavanagh’s friend), Sarah & Marty Brubaker, Tim Cavanagh, Karen Burcham (Paul Mayer’s sister), Beth (LaVona’s colleague), the Norman family, Bang-Wool Yim, Dan Zambon (uncle of Kim Gonzalez), Pat Kemp (Mary Iron’s friend), Deb & Jim Ketzal, the family of Vickie Young Thulen, and closure for the family of Jackson Kradle.

Our shut-ins: Sylvia Reuterfors, Dorothy Taylor, Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison, Joy Turner, Steve Yenney, Brenda Hamm, Janice Wilt, Mary Ellen Dreger, Herb, Sandy & Ben Pratt, Florence Bevins-Powell.

Our country & government; Military Personnel & their families; the safety of Ukrainians & end of wars; Haiti; Syria; Israel; the Gaza Strip; peace in the Middle East; people affected by the heat, tornadoes, severe thunderstorms, and hurricanes; the towns, families, students, school administrators, and those who experience everyday 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

October 11 – Don Greenfield

CALENDAR

- Monday, Oct 7
 - 1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies
 - 3:30 to 5 pm – West Carroll Food Pantry
- Wednesday Oct. 9
 - 10 am – Choir practice
 - 5 pm – Finance/Growth meeting
- Thursday, Oct. 10
 - 9 am – Bible Study
 - 7 pm – Weekly Prayer Zoom
- Saturday, Oct. 12
 - 4 to 7 pm – Sabula MC Annual “Carry Out” Pork Dinner
- Sunday, Oct. 13 (**Choir Sings**)
 - 9 am – Adult Sunday School
 - 9 am – Youth Sunday School
 - 10:15 am – Worship

WORSHIP HELPERS

	October 13	October 20
Acolyte	Tyson Speers	Ellie Johnson
Liturgist	Deeann Kramer	Noah Johnson
Counter	Rhonda Law	Lori Miller
Verifier	Karen Hoffman	Linda Jachino
Coffee Hour	Mayer family	Dykema family
Greeter	Worship cmte	Worship cmte
Ushers	Worship cmte	Worship cmte

Last Week’s Attendance: 59

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WC Food Pantry - Please consider giving to the food pantry as they are in desperate need of fruit, peanut butter & jelly, Mac & cheese, crackers, pancake mix, syrup, Chef Boyardee, and cereal! Please remember this is all so no child goes hungry!!!

Blessing Basket – We are in need sunscreen, men’s & women’s shampoo, lotion, deodorant, sandwich bags, and aluminum foil. We always need paper products. Your support of this ministry is greatly appreciated!

The Women's Group is asking you to bring clean and dry plastic bags. The group will make sleeping mats out of them for homeless people. You can drop them off in a box in the sewing room at church.

Weekly Zoom Prayer Meeting – will be on October 10th at 7 pm. The link will be emailed to you.

Church Worship will be at 10:15 am!

Meet with Pastor Fernando – If you would like to schedule a time to meet with Pastor so you can get to know him and he can get to know you, feel free to reach out to the office to schedule a time or see if he is free.

Thursday Bible Study – will take place Thursday, Oct 10th at 9 am.

IMPACT Youth Group – **TODAY** at 4 to 6 pm at 9423 IL Rt 84, Savanna. Hayrides, Campfires. Games, and more! Open to all kids 5th grade thru high school.

UWF Drive Thru Dinner – **TODAY** at 4 to 5:30 pm. They will serve Pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad, applesauce, and pumpkin bars. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids. RSVP/Purchase tickets early.

Sabula Methodist Church Annual Pork Dinner – Carry-out only! Saturday, October 12th at 4 to 7 pm at Sabula City Hall, 411 Broad Street. \$12 per meal.

Savanna Food Pantry - We need 4 volunteers to work at the Savanna Food Pantry on October 15th and 17th, 9am-12 noon. Please see or call Molly Andersen, 815-273-2104, if you can help.

JOY (60+) Ministry - will meet Wednesday, October 16th from 4:30-6:30pm in the church fellowship hall. It's going to be a spooky affair as we celebrate Halloween. Wear a costume and win a prize! LaVona Grissinger is making her famous spaghetti for dinner and our program will be a (not very!) spooky movie. This is a free dinner and program open to anyone over 60. You **MUST RSVP** to the church office by noon, Monday, October 14th at 815-273-2345. Rides are available, in-town only. Come join the fun!

Soul Sisters – “Fall Follage Tour” thru Eagle Point Park in Clinton, IA on Thursday, October 17th. Lunch will be at Rastrelli’s. Carpool at the church at 10 am. Any questions and to RSVP, call Linda Jachino at (815) 541-4760.

Trustees/Ad Council – will meet on October 20th at 9 am/11:45 am!

Kids Kards – will be October 27th after worship. We will be making Thanksgiving cards and having sandwiches for lunch. Everyone is invited!!!



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Vision Statement
“Our faith calls us to action in the
body of Christ and in the local
community to love God and to
love others”

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