



### **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                      October 31, 2021

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART                      Vivian Eaton

### WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP                      DeeAnn Kramer

L: We are people of God, created to love.

**P: We will love the Lord our God with heart, soul, mind, and strength.**

L: We are people of God, determined to love.

**P: We will love our neighbors and treat them as we would be treated.**

L: We love neither from a sense of obligation nor to gain popularity of favor.

**P: We choose to love both the lovely and the unlovable because love imitates God's nature.**

**A: For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself”**

HYMN #2168 “Love the Lord Your God” (Insert, X2)

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)                      DeeAnn Kramer  
**Good and great God, we come to you through Jesus Christ. We confess our sins, seeking forgiveness not only that we may be at peace with you, but also that we may pray for others. We are ashamed that our prayers are often as self-centered as our lives. Excuse our disordered priorities as we seek to change and reorder our lives according to the teaching and spirit of Jesus Christ you Son, our Lord. Give us wisdom to understand your will, and courage to live as your people in this day; in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE APOSTLE’S CREED (Insert)

DeeAnn Kramer

SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 6:4-9 (NRSV) DeeAnn Kramer

GOSPEL                      Mark 12:28-31 (NRSV)                      (Please Rise)

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

**P: Thanks be to God.**

HYMN #2168 “Love the Lord Your God” (Insert)

### CHOIR

MESSAGE: “Love the Lord Your God”                      Pastor Dave

MEMBERSHIP VOW (Insert)                      Barb Green, Cori Moore

### SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER                      (Insert)

### OFFERING OURSELVES

DOXOLOGY #95                      (Insert)

OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

**Holy God, as we offer our tithes and gifts this morning, we thank you for sending your Jesus to show us the way in simple language: loving you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and loving our neighbor as we love ourselves. May our gifts be dedicated toward making both a reality. In Christ we pray. Amen.**

HYMN #569 “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations” (Insert)

### BENEDICTION

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, Chris Falk, Patty Nevills, Dawn Barber, Alice Riffe, Robert Hill, Matthew Foltz, Bruce Fritz, Judy Law, Don Adams, Bang-Wool Lim, Grace Struve, Merry Florence, Pat (Brother of Pam Darrow), Katie Wand, Reuben Jarvis, Sally Rice & Alice Stallings (Sisters of Esther Losh), Greg Eversoll, Dallas Kosier, Sylvia Reuterfors, Paul Mayer, Family of Larry, (Uncle of Susan Michelle Jepsen), Family of Letty Weidman. Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, John Hamm, Dorothy Taylor, Paul Brunner, Sylvia Reuterfors, Bill Weidman, Steve Yenny. Our country & government/West Carroll Schools. Military Personnel & their families. Pray for students, teachers, administrators, parents & workers. With harvest season upon us, pray for our farmers.

### **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

November

1 – Ruth Moore

2 – Annette Hepner, Steve Yenney

5 – Brennon Cavanagh

6 – Theresa Bauer

### **CALENDAR**

Monday, November 1

1 pm Sewing Ladies

3:30 pm – 5 pm West Carroll Food Pantry

Tuesday, November 2

6:30 pm UMW

Wednesday, November 3

6 pm Youth Group

Thursday, November 4

9 am Bible Study

9 am Body & Soul Yoga

Sunday, November 7

9:15 am Adult Sunday School

10:15 am Worship All Saints Day

Children's Sunday School  
CPR & AED Training following worship



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friendly reminder: Charlene & Paula Mayer, you are the counter(s) for November 7th. The verifier is Sharon Guilinger. Liturgist is DeeAnn Kramer, Acolyte(s) are Jiho & Jiwon Yim. Worship helpers for November: Linda & Carlo Stubbe, Molly Andersen, Susan Michelle Jepsen, Pam Darrow, Esther Losh, Bob & LaVona Grissinger, Mary Irons. Thank you!  
LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: 25 inside, 25 outside.

Food Pantry – This month items needed are fruit juice, peanut butter, jelly, canned chicken or ham. The West Carroll School Food Pantry will take donations of Halloween treats to make goody bags for the children this month.

Blessing basket – Items needed are D batteries, men's deodorant and toilet paper. We will also take donations of hats, mittens, boots, snow pants or coats. Thank you for your continued support! Please leave your donations in the food pantry box in the Narthex.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Special offering

**Today**, there will be special offering to support our Blessing Basket ministry. We will also have special music from our Adult choir.

### Trunk or Treat

**Today**, 5 – 7 pm Church parking lot. Hot dogs will be served by the Outreach committee.

### CPR & AED training

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

### Honor Flight

Bob Grissinger and Pam Darrow will be headed to Washington D.C. on a Honor Flight on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Choir Director

We are looking for someone to direct our adult and children's choir. Each choir would be singing once a month during church service.  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – Adult  
Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Children's choir.

### Sunday School

Every Sunday @ 9:15 am Adult Sunday School  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ 10:15 am preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School

### Youth Group

First Wednesday of the month @ 6 pm, mid school – high school.  
Next meeting is Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Bible Study

Every Thursday @ 9 am.

### Worship

Let us worship God together at FUMC. Please, stay connected with God and each other!

Hybrid service, every Sunday @ 10:15 am.

- Indoor, with mask and social distancing.
- Outdoor, in your car. Tune in to FM 88.9

Pre-recorded online service on our church website.

[www.firstumcsavanna.org](http://www.firstumcsavanna.org)

Or call 815-599-1307 to hear the latest sermon.



Did you know that you can donate your Tithes online?

Online giving with Tithe.ly

You can find the link on our church website.

### UMW

Thank you to everyone who supported our Ham Dinner.  
We made over \$700!



## First United Methodist Church Sunday, 9:30 am October 31, 2021

### **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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