

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

November 6, 2022

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE

Ellie Johnson

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART

Vivian Eaton

#### WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Susan Michelle Jepsen Pastor: Singing "Spirit of the Living God" UMH 393
L: There are times when our lives feel empty.

P: We pose questions to the Lord, questions of frustration and hopelessness.

L: Yet, God is patient and listens to our cries.

P: God is faithful to us and will help us to overcome our fears.

L: Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on each one of us. P: Heal our spirits. Change our lives into joyful service to you.

All: Singing "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. (X2) Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison): Redeeming God, come and heal our lives this day. Open our hearts to receive your words of hope and joy that we may become faithful servants of yours in this world which you have loaned to us. For we ask this in Jesus' name. 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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

**Bonnie Davies** 

SCRIPTURE Psalm 145:1-5 (NRSV)
I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.
One generation shall extol your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts. They will recount the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works I will meditate.

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now

he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: Thanks be to God

#### **WORDS OF GRACE**

"God so loved the world that God gave us God's only Son Jesus Christ, so that everyone who believe in him, may not perish, but may have eternal life." Jesus said, I am the resurrection and I am life. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. I died, and behold I am alive for evermore, and I hold the keys of hell and death. Because I live, you shall live also.

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE (Lighting Candles and Ringing Bell)

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND COMMITMENT

Dear God, we give you thanks for all who have died in the faith of Christ – for the memory of their words and deeds and all they accomplished in their time, for the joyful hope of reunion with them in the world to come, and for our communion with them now. Above all else we thank you for Jesus, who knows our grief, who died our death and rose for our sake, and who lives and prays for us.

We praise you for giving us the glorious example of the Saints. Please help us to follow in their footsteps, and yours, Jesus Christ. Please help us to submit ourselves to your call, seeking your order in all things, just as the Saints did. Please help us to commit ourselves to your glory, and to the service of our neighbors. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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HYMN #314, "In the Garden"

1. I come to the garden alone
while the dew is still on the roses,
and the voice I hear falling on my ear
the Son of God discloses.

#### Refrain:

And he walks with me, and he talks with me, and he tells me I am his own; and the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known.

- 2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice, is so sweet the birds hush their singing, and the melody that he gave to me within my heart is ringing. (Refrain)
- 3. I'd stay in the garden with him though the night around me be falling, but he bids me go; thru the voice of woe his voice to me is calling. (Refrain)

MESSAGE: "I am the Voice" Pastor Dave

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS (Text Pastor Dave, 224-600-0446) PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

HOLY COMMUNION
INVITATION & CONFESSION OF SIN
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 (In Unison): God of truth and light, we come to you from our daily lives that are full of scams and tricks seeking to gain our confidence and steal and betray. In many ways, it makes us wary of opportunities to show compassion. Jesus has reminded us to trust in you and in your truth that speaks not through phones or emails but directly to our hearts. As we give this morning as you have called us, may we do so with joy, not fear. We pray this in the name of Christ, who intercedes for us that we might know truth. 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.

#### PARTAKING OF THE BREAD AND JUICE

HYMN #707, "Hymn of Promise"

1 In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

2 There's a song in every silence,

seeking word and melody; there's a dawn in every darkness bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

3 In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

**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**

Keith Brown, Tim Cavanagh, Billy David, Emilee Derrer, Jim Eaton, Chris Falk, Merry Florence, Matthew Foltz, Shirley Fritz, Sandy Gabriel, Bob Grissinger, Rhonda Harlock Smith, John Irons, Greg Jepsen, Dallas Kosier, Judy Law, Vickie Moore (Molly's cousin), Alyson (daughter of Kris Offenheiser) Bonnie Parker, Dan Piercy, Rich Rathje, Rhea (friend of Bonnie Davies), John Ritchie, Bill Robinson, Ron Smith, Grace Struve, Christopher Stubbe, Pastor Sylvester, Scarlette (daughter of Ashley Huebner), Gi-Tae Yim (Father of Pastor Dave), Phil Case and his family.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, Mary Ann Larsen, Sylvia Reuterfors, Dorothy Taylor, Alice Riffe Torrison, Joy Turner, Bill Weidman, Steve Yenny.

Our country & government. Military Personnel & their families. Global economic crisis. The safety of Ukrainians and the end of the war, farmers in the fields. All of those affected by the stampede in South Korea.

#### **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

#### November

8 – Garrett Badtke, Mary Ellen Dreger, Jiho Yim

9 – Ryker McCombie

10 – Katie Floming

12 – Matthew Floming, Dan Holcomb

#### **CALENDAR**

Monday, November 7

1 pm Sewing Ladies

3:30 pm - 5 pm WC Food Pantry

Wednesday, November 9

10 am Choir Practice

Thursday, November 10

9 am Bible Study

Sunday, November 13

8:45 am Adult Sunday School

9:30 am Sunday School

10:15 am Worship – **Hybrid Service** 

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: 60

# **Sunday Coffee Hour**

Please sign up to provide treats/refreshments coffee hour, sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or contact Pastor Dave.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Liturgist for month of November:**

November 13 – Esther Losh

November 20 – Jason Moore November 27 – Molly Andersen **Counter and verifier for month of November:** 

November 6 – Molly Andersen, Dianne Brinkmeier

November 13 – Rhonda Law, Tom Michels

November 20 – Lori Miller, Linda Jachino

November 27 – Vivian Eaton, Jackie Walker

#### **Acolytes for month of November**

November 13 – Boyd Law

November 20 – Ryker McCombie

November 27 – Jiwon Yim

<u>West Carroll Food Pantry</u> – Please bring your donations of cereal, crackers, soup, or anything to help people. Thank you.

The West Carroll School Food Pantry is now open to all families with children in Carroll County. This includes Eastland, Chadwick-Milledgeville and the Right Steps Family Center. The hours are 3:30 – 5 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, unless it is a holiday.

<u>Savanna Food Pantry</u> – Pantry will be open again for volunteers to work. A schedule will be coming soon. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Molly Andersen at 815-273-2104.

<u>Blessing Basket</u> – The Blessing Basket needs women and children's body wash and deodorant and laundry detergent. And we can always use toilet paper and paper towels. Thank you for your continued support. The Blessing Basket is available to anyone who utilizes the WC Food Pantry. Clients can pick 3 items each time they visit. Please leave your donations in the food pantry box in the narthex. Thank you!

<u>Kids Kards</u> – Will meet November 27<sup>th</sup> following service. We will be making Christmas cards with a chili lunch to share afterwards. All materials are provided and everyone is welcome. Any questions, contact Molly Andersen, (815)273-2104. Bible Study - Every Thursday @ 9 am

Adult Sunday School - Every Sunday @ 8:45 am

Sunday School - Every Sunday @ 9:30 am

Youth Group - 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month @ 5:45 pm

<u>Choir Practice</u> – Choir will sing during service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Next practice will be Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 am.

<u>United Methodist Men</u> - Next Monthly gathering, Tuesday, November 15th at 5:30 pm. Chili, Fellowship and Bible Study. "The Purpose Driven Life" book is ready for pick up. \$10 each.

<u>Soul Sisters</u> – Quad Cities Festival of Trees. Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. \$10 admission, lunch at Cracker Barrel. Carpool leaves church at 9 am. RSVP to Linda Jachino (815)541-4760 no later than Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### Worship

Let us worship God together at FUMC.

# 10:15 am Hybrid Service

Outdoor, in your car. Tune in to FM 88.9 Pre-recorded online service on our church website.

Www.firstumcsavanna.org

or You Tube- Online Service

Link: <a href="https://youtu.be/LkpBFw8VXxs">https://youtu.be/LkpBFw8VXxs</a>

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

Facebook page – Savanna Firstumc

Did you know that you can donate your Tithes online? You can use this website link:

http://tithe.ly/give/?web=1&church id=373533

You can also download the Tithe.ly App from the App Store (iPhone) or Google Play Store (Android) – the green one. Once you've downloaded the app, create an account or logged in, locate your church – First United Methodist Church, Savanna, IL and tap "Give Now" to complete your gift! Thank you for your generous giving!

Hope United Methodist Church, Chadwick is hosting a Baked Potato Bar. FREE to all VETERANS for a thank you for your service. Meal is open to the public for a free will donation. Meal: Baked Potato, all the toppings, relish tray, Dessert, and Drinks.

Sunday, November 13, 2022 from 10:30am to 1:00pm.

Trustee Committee needs volunteers. Next Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, after church. We will need assistance adapting the florescent fixtures so we can use LED bulbs in the Sunday School rooms. Many hands will make short work of this project!

#### Christmas season is here!!!!





### **Calling all Bellringers**

Sign up sheets in the Narthex for Bellringers this Holiday season. Please sign up for a 1 hour shift at either Ace Hardware or Sullivan's Grocery.

<u>Christmas Walk</u> in Savanna on Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> needs volunteers to bake cookies. Interested? Please contact Pastor Dave.

<u>Savanna Historical Museum</u> – Festival of Trees November 25<sup>th</sup> – December 11 Weekdays 4 pm – 7 pm Weekends Noon – 5 pm

Giving Tree – Will be set up in the Narthex this month.

Help us decorate it with hats, mittens, scarves, underwear and socks for children. It will be available for the West Carroll food pantry clients during the month of December. Help us keep our children warm this winter! Any donations, monetary or items are welcome!

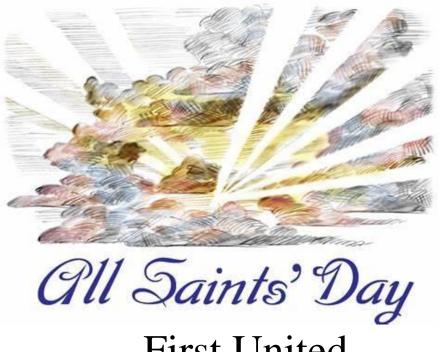
# Midwest Mission Asks for Supplies to Help in Hurricane Ian Relief Efforts

Midwest Mission, located just outside Chatham, Ill., is working to provide disaster relief to those affected by Hurricane Ian. "Our Cleaning Kit supplies have been depleted. After sending relief to 14 U.S. disasters this year, including the most recent flooding in Kentucky and St. Louis, we need help replenishing so we can get supplies to our partners who are ready to deploy the requested supplies," says Executive Director Chantel Corrie. "The recent storms have really turned up the needs, and we continue to answer the requests of our partners in the US and abroad. Hurricane Ian is one of the top priorities now."

We really need liquid laundry soap (32-64oz total), liquid dish soap (16-34oz total), and liquid household cleaner (16-40oz total). You can help us send relief to those affected by Hurricane Ian.

#### **Three Ways to Help**

- 1. Donate money so Midwest Mission can buy the supplies needed to fill the Cleaning Kits. Donate by texting "Donate" to 855-589-1314 or go to midwestmission.org/donate.
- 2. Collect supplies and bring them to Midwest Mission at 1001 Mission Dr. Pawnee, IL 62558. Or take supplies to a <u>permanent collection site near you.</u> One of them is Lanark UMC.
- 3. Buy supplies online and have them sent directly to Midwest Mission. Walmart and Dollar Days are good resources for volume and discounts. Please donate to Midwest Mission. The donations allow Midwest Mission to help those affected by disasters all over the world and make it possible to continue sending relief shipments when requests are received. Thank you!



# First United Methodist Church Sunday, November 6, 2022 10:15 am

Hybrid Service

#### Vision 2022 – "Love Others!"

Outward Focused Ministry during/after the Pandemic (To build up a strong and safe community)
Strong in Mission, Strong in Justice, Strong in Diversity

"All the believers were together and had everything in common." (Acts 2:44)

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