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**Back  
to  
School**



Now I am writing my pastor's pen in my flight to S. Korea. I have 10 hours more to flight to get to S. Korea. I haven't been able to sleep well for the last couple of nights, because I got emotional and nervous with the fact that I am going to see my family in S. Korea. Last few days, I woke up early morning and couldn't back to sleep. So, I would clean up the parsonage in early morning. In my flight to S. Korea now, I would get emotional sometimes because I can't still believe that I am flying to S. Korea. I am deeply grateful for that God and FUMC family allowed me to be able to see my family in S. Korea. Thank you, God and FUMC family! I will be back to the U.S.A. with my family together and seeing you at church on 8/8 Sunday. Then, I will say thank you again on behalf of my whole family.

Lately, I am reading the book of Ezekiel. God had shown many visions to the prophet Ezekiel about the future of the Israelites. God said to him in visions that God will be punishing the Israelites for their abomination and their disobedience. God was very angry at the people of Israel and about their sins. God said in the visions that pestilence, famine, and war are coming and it will kill them. The reason to punish the tribes of Israel is that they forgot about God and worshipped idols. They made idols - all shapes and features from nature - out of wood and stone and bowed to them, saying they are our gods and they saved us.

I would like to share two very important things that I found in the reading with you. First, God called the prophet Ezekiel 'the Mortal' in each chapter. It reminds us that we are human beings, not a god. We are all dying. Life is short to love God and love others. Second, God had often said to the Israelites that they will know that God is the Lord through the pestilence, famine, and war. What came into my mind is that it would better for them and us to connect with God and stay in God's love before they and we met all the difficulties in life. In other words, God wants us to recognize God and fear God every day in our life, saying God is our Lord!

Every day in our life we should confess that God is our Lord. We gather together every Sunday to worship God and remember who God is, our Lord! We partake of communion once a month to remember who died for us and for our sins and remind of the love of God that has shown through Jesus' life. We reaffirm our faith once a year to remember our baptism in which we confessed that God is our Lord. Each life that we have been living right now is not ours. It belongs to God. We should remember that God is our Lord and we are God's servants.

In August, I would like to encourage all of FUMC family to remember that God is our Lord and to lift up our life together to be used for the glory and power of God to transform the world by proclaiming the love of God and the Word of God together.

May God be with you and your family and bless each day in August!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Dave



## Attendance & Financials

Cash Available in General Account: <b>\$19,249.33</b>		
	June	Year to Date
Church Revenue	\$12,505.81	\$84,863.05
Church Expenses	\$17,931.33	\$86,681.84
Net Operating Balance	\$(5,425.52)	\$(1,818.79)
NIC Apportionments Paid	\$2,606.00	\$7,818.00
Please, contact Vivian Eaton at 815-541-5671		



	<u>Income</u>	<u>Worship inside</u>	<u>Worship outside</u>	<u>Avg attend per week</u>
6/20/21	\$2,237.00		54	54
6/27/21	\$2,890.00		43	43
7/4/21	\$3,136.36		46	46
7/11/21	\$1,605.00		39	39
Total income	\$7,631.36			46



# Soul Sisters

JULY OUTING

Timberlake Playhouse

JESUS CHRIST  
SUPERSTAR



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August Outing

Thursday, August 19th 7 pm

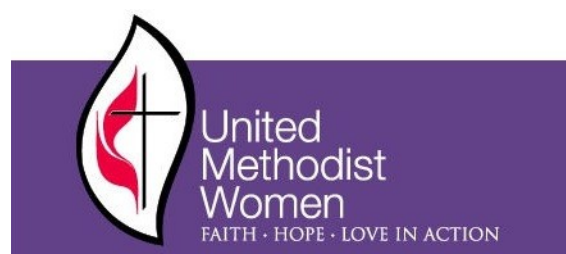
Sunset Eco-Cruise on the “Blue Heron”

Rock Creek Marina, 3942 291st St, Comanche, IA

Free 1—1 1/2 Mississippi River cruise on a beautiful 24 passenger pontoon boat with a naturalist guide courtesy of the Clinton County Conservation Department.

Cruise begins at 7:00 pm. Carpool will leave from the church at 5:45 pm.

To reserve your spot, contact Shari Traum at (815) 291-8651 by August 10th.



August 1 UMW Women will be going to the Clinton Showboat  
to see “Church Basement Ladies”



Annual Conference Mission Project

We delivered the following items: 22 sleepers, 29 boys outfits, 121 girls outfits, 111 school bags, 18 baby sweaters, 28 blankets, 4 prayer shawls. We exceeded our goal and made 280 diapers. We also donated a sewing machine and serger. These items, along with detergent, dish soap, wash cloths, hand towels, tooth paste and colored pencils will help so many people in need.

Thanks, First United Methodist Church members! Great Job!



Worship summer schedule 9:30 am worship, outside service only through Labor Day weekend.

Liturgist for month of August:

August 1—Paula Mayer

August 8—Linda Jachino

August 15—Molly Andersen

August 22—Susan Michelle Jepsen

August 29—Esther Losh



## Kids Kards

Will be on Sunday, August 29th, around 10:30 am

This month's cards theme will be "In the Garden" Join us! All materials will be provided. Everyone is welcome to participate. Contact Molly Andersen at 815-273-2104 with any questions.



**Over 7 cards made with Joy & Love**



### **FOOD PANTRY**

Renovation has begun at the new location. Praise the Lord! Please consider making a monetary donation to help with the cost of remodeling. You can send a check to Savanna Food Pantry, 926 Viaduct Rd, Savanna, IL 61074 or include a donation with your church offering. Be sure to mark your envelope "Savanna Food Pantry" and donation amount.

### **BLESSING BASKET**

This month the Blessing Basket needs toilet paper, dish soap, and children's toothpaste. Although school is out the need is always there. Please leave your donations in the Food Pantry box in the Narthex.

"He comes alongside us when we go through hard times, and before you know it, he brings us alongside someone else who is going through hard times so that we can be there for that person just as God was there for us."

The Message, 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

# THE POWER OF PRAYER

Judy Dunn, Emilee Deerer, Susan Meyer, Patti Thulen, Betty Speck, Beth Wickes, Claire Winterburn, Billy David, Dee Helle, Chris Falk, Patty Nevills, Jodi French, Dawn Barber, Alice Riffe, Robert Hill, Matthew Foltz, Keith Brown, Sandy Pratt, Bruce Fritz, Bob Grissinger, Gary Goetz, Mike Johnson, Judy Law, Yim Family, Cindy & Frank Norman's granddaughter, Grace, Don Adams.

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.

Those under the threat of extreme heat & wildfires.





- 1 – Tom Neumiller
- 3 – Bob Davidson
- 4 – Joe Guilinger
- 5 – Joe Jachino
- 8 – Owen Holcomb
- 9 – Cameron Dreger, Tessa Fosdick
- 10 – Ryan Miller
- 11 – KiraJo Jackson, Jaime Meyer
- 13 – LaVona Grissinger, Martha Purchis
- 15 – Brenda Hamm
- 16 – Samantha Schoenhaar
- 20 – Adam Hartman
- 22 – Jean Jones
- 24 – Bridgit Jepsen, Ron Miller
- 26 – RJ Clemens, Jeff Law
- 27 – Ashlie Jackson
- 28 – Sharon F. Guilinger
- 29 – Sharon A. Guilinger
- 30 – Lucas Ingersol
- 31 – Bob Froehlich



18—*Wayne & Martha White "63"*



Date: August 14 - 15, 2021

11:00 am - 10 pm Saturday  
10:15 am - 11:15 Sun Service  
11:30 am - 3:30 pm Sunday



54th Annual



# Willow

# folk festival

For more information call  
815-947-3789

## MUSIC IN THE VALLEY

From the west :

Go 2.5 miles east of Stockton on Rt. 20  
take Willow Road south (right)  
for 5.5 miles.

From the East :

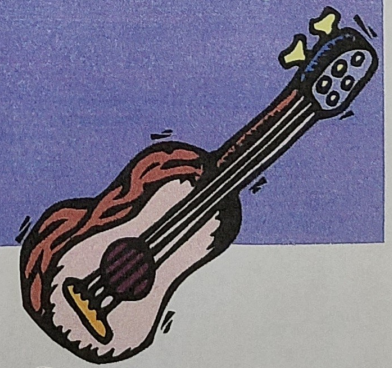
Go West on Rt. 20 from Freeport  
past the Kolb Lena Cheese Plant  
one mile and turn left (South) on to  
Willow Rd. Go 5.5 miles to music.

Church services on Sunday  
Morning with  
"Christ's Country Choir"  
10:15 - 11:15

Open Stage Performance all day  
Saturday (11:am - 10:00 pm)  
and from 11:45 am to 3:30 pm  
on Sunday

Food and  
Drink  
available on  
grounds!!!

ADMISSION  
\$5.00  
Children under  
8 free





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**Savanna, Illinois**  
**August 2021**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:30 am Worship Reverend Bonnie Davies  Liturgist: Paula Mayer	2 9 am Body & Soul Yoga 1 pm Sewing Ladies 3 pm—5:30 pm WC Food Pantry	3	4	5 9 am Body & Soul Yoga 9 am Bible Study	6	7
8 9:30 am Worship  Liturgist: Linda Jachino	9 9 am Body & Soul Yoga 1 pm Sewing Ladies	10 4 pm Finance Committee (Zoom meeting)	11	12 9 am Body & Soul Yoga 9 am Bible Study	13	14
15 8 am Trustees 9:30 am Worship Ad Council  Liturgist: Molly Andersen	16 9 am Body & Soul Yoga 1 pm Sewing Ladies 3 pm—5:30 pm WC Food Pantry	17	18	19 9 am Body & Soul Yoga 9 am Bible Study 3 pm Worship & Health meeting	20	21
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