

January 8, 2017

## Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love,

we have not loved our neighbors,

and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### 10:30am Worship Service

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#### Mission Statement:

*“To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”*

**Welcome visitors** – Whether you’re here with friends or relatives, or if you’re here by a mysterious, guiding hand, **welcome!** We’re glad you’re here. If you’ve not been here before, relax. We aren’t going to ask you to stand up and introduce yourself. If you’re new to First UMC, we do have print materials on the table at the back of the main level of the worship center... help yourself or just ask someone!

If children are with you, that’s wonderful. Jesus loves children and so do we. You might sit near the front so the children can see and hear everything. There are children’s activity bags on the coat tree at the back of the sanctuary; a special children’s time, “From a Child’s Point of View,” and children’s bulletins are on the table. We do offer a staffed nursery for pre-school children during worship if you’d prefer to use it for part or all of the service. The easiest way to get there is to have an usher provide an escort.

Ask an usher about using a **hearing assist device**; or for a **large print Hymnal**.

Inside this bulletin is a an insert. Please fill it out and use it for an “offering” at that time of the service. Beverage and light refreshments are offered in the Gathering Place before worship and in the Dining Room at the conclusion of worship. Everyone is welcome!!

## Together We Come Into God's PRESENCE

\* Indicates to Rise in body or in spirit.

PRELUDE

Christian Chaos

Lighting of the Candles & Ringing of the Bell (*The Light of Christ enters our worship*)

WELCOME AND GREETING YOUR NEIGHBOR  
ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EXPLANATION OF INSERTS

\* SONG OF PRAISE

"Star Child"

No. 2095

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

L: On this Sunday of Epiphany we gather wondering, 'Where will we find the Babe who was born in Bethlehem?'

**P: We will find Him in the laughter of children and in the insight of our youth.**

L: We gather asking, 'where will we find the Child of Christmas?'

**P: We will find the Child where the needy are gifted with love and hope.**

L: We gather wanting to know, 'where will we find the Christ who has come for us?'

**P: We will find our Hope in places where grace overcomes fear and where all people are filled with joy. Let us worship Jesus, whom the Magi sought so long ago.**

ACT OF PRAISE

Choir Kids

FROM A CHILD'S POINT OF VIEW

Brian Heil

(Pocket change collected in the copper kettles each week is given to missions.)

Use this time to complete your small insert to be put in the offering plate later in worship.)

### God Calls Us to PRAY

(The bulletin insert includes space to write your prayer requests, both joys and concerns.)

PRAYER OF WORSHIP

Let us Pray: **Lord of Light, the birth of Your Son Jesus brought life and light to all who were living in darkness. We thank You that the Light of Christ still shines brightly today, for all of us. There are times we wander from Your light, forgetting to come to You in prayer. Forgive us, we pray, and guide us in our walk with You. In this new year, we recognize that You make all things new, especially our own broken lives. Open our eyes to the possibilities that following You can bring. We pray all this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

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.**

PRAYER SONG

"Lord Jesus Christ, Your Light Shines"

No. 3137

**We Proclaim Christ's WITNESS Through the Word**

EPISTLE LESSON

James 5: 13-18 (NIV)

MESSAGE

"Prayers of the Faithful"

Pastor Jenny Seylar

**Experiencing the Generosity of God by the Giving and Receiving of GIFTS**

HOLY COMMUNION (see screen)

OFFERATORY (during communion) "Holy Ground"

No. 2272

*Anointing with Oil- The act of anointing the forehead or back of the hand with oil is a sign invoking the healing love of God. The oil points beyond itself and those doing the anointing to the action of the Holy Spirit and the presence of the healing Christ. Those wishing to be anointed should take communion and then come to the back of the church to be anointed. Bring the slip of paper with the prayer you are asking for—physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, or relational healing.*

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE AND DEDICATION

**Let Us Pray: Loving God, we offer You our gold: a bright morning reflected on the fresh snow, the glow on the faces of children at play, and the shining moments that brighten our lives. We offer You our frankincense: the quiet reassurance of familiar things, the grace of friendship, and the blessings of breaking bread at the Lord's Table. We offer You our myrrh: our heart's yearning in prayer, the ashes of our dreams, and the bitter taste of our failures. Transform our inadequate gifts, that they may be an acceptable sacrifice of praise. Finally, God, we ask that You will transform our lives to reflect more deeply Your justice, love, and joy in the world. Amen.**

**We Are Sent Forth for God's SERVICE to the World**

\* SONG OF SENDING

"Just a Little Talk with Jesus"

3107

\* BLESSING AND SENDING

L: Go now, confident that God hears your prayers.

**P: We will strive to faithfully pray, guided by Christ, confident in His faithfulness.**

L: Go now, anointed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**P: We will seek the peace and comfort of the Jesus, the Lord of Life.**

Postlude

Christian Chaos

*Please join us in the dining room after worship for Fellowship Coffee. Everyone is welcome!*

Jenny Seylar - Pastor

Greg Brown - Director of Xn Chaos

Melinda Stonebraker - Administrative Ministries Coordinator

Don Griffith - Custodian

Alice Ann Gallagher - Chancel Choir Director

Denise Cartwright - Choir Kids Director

Sylvia Gould - Chancel Choir Accompanist

Jess Goodenow-Little Friends Preschool Director

Dee Wallace - Choir Kids Accompanist

Megan Coppess-Little Friends Preschool Teacher

## January 8 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Gwen VanScoy & Danica Rippentrop  
Children's Lesson: Brian Heil  
Liturgist: Pat Fankhauser  
Ushers: Ruel & Jan Wehde, Bob & Ginney Cummins  
Greeters: Bob & Glenda Holets  
Nursery: Bailey & Melissa Roth  
PowerPoint: Brian Heil create; Dale Seylar run  
Fellowship Coffee: McKinney's, Rhonda Waugh  
Communion Stewards: Kay Miller

## January 15 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Ava & Owen Boldt  
Children's Lesson: Pastor Jenny  
Liturgist: Dale Seylar  
Ushers: Ken & Lorna Muller, Chris & Abby VanScoy  
Greeters: Ken & Deb McKay  
Nursery: Bailey & Melissa Roth  
PowerPoint: Becky Young create; Zoe Stonebraker run  
Fellowship Coffee: Nancy Burroughs, Ruel & Jan Wehde

## PRAYERS

**Hospitalized/Procedures:** Chuck & Renate Lee (Berrie Glick's bro, sis-in-law),

**Healing:** Jerry Ferguson, Frances Ford, Marvin Ford, Bob Gould, Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Jen Johnson, Carsten Kime, Erma Lyle, Lynn McIntosh, Brady Miller (Sherry Willey's grandson), Taylor Miller (Sherry Willey's granddaughter), Mike Smith, Dawn Spickermann, Jim Thiele (L. Salmonson's bro), Alberta Wagaman, and others under care or treatment.

### Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Individuals & Families experiencing loss, especially  
    Kyle and Jill Reeve and family after loss of baby Oliver  
    Dayton Maxwell and family after loss of Marie

Comstock family

Couples/Families searching for the way forward.

Persons & families of incarceration

Persons in employment limbo

Families struggling with the impact of drug and alcohol abuse or other addiction.

Persons uprooted due to "natural" and/or "human" disaster; and those who are called to help.

Persons/people persecuted for religious convictions.

**In Treatment:** Gary Davis (Penny Webb's dad), Linda (Kay Miller's sis), Jon Williams

**Hospice/Palliative Care:** Joe Cheshareck (Gail Fleming's bro-in-law), Bernice Eisele (Mike's mother) @ St. Cloud, MN

**Armed Services:** Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Kyle Marchik, Kaitlyn McKinney, Corey Ormsby, Chris Paul

**December 30:** General Fund: 10,230.00, Shared Blessings 7.08, Christmas Offering 4.00  
**Grand Total: \$10,241.08**

### January 1:

Worship 51; General Fund \$7048.00; Upper Room 5.40, Copper Kettle 16.66,

**Grand Total: \$7,070.06**

### This Week:

**Sun. Jan 8:** 7:45am Prayer, 8:30am Choir Kids, 9:00am Sunday School, 10:30am Worship, 2:30pm Kids for Christ, 6:00pm Dominoes

**Tues. Jan 9:** 6:30 pm Chaos

**Tues. Jan 10:** 1:00 pm GIG

**Wed. Jan 11:** 1:30 pm Bible study, 5:30 pm Youth Group, 6:00 pm Hand Chimes, 6:30 pm GIG, 7:00 pm Choir

**Thurs. Jan 12:** 10:00 am GIG,

**Sat. Jan 14:** 11:00 am Shared Blessings (by Youth Group)

**Sun. Jan 15:** 7:45 am Gathering Place, 8:30 am Choir Kids, 9:00 am Sunday School, 10:30 am Worship