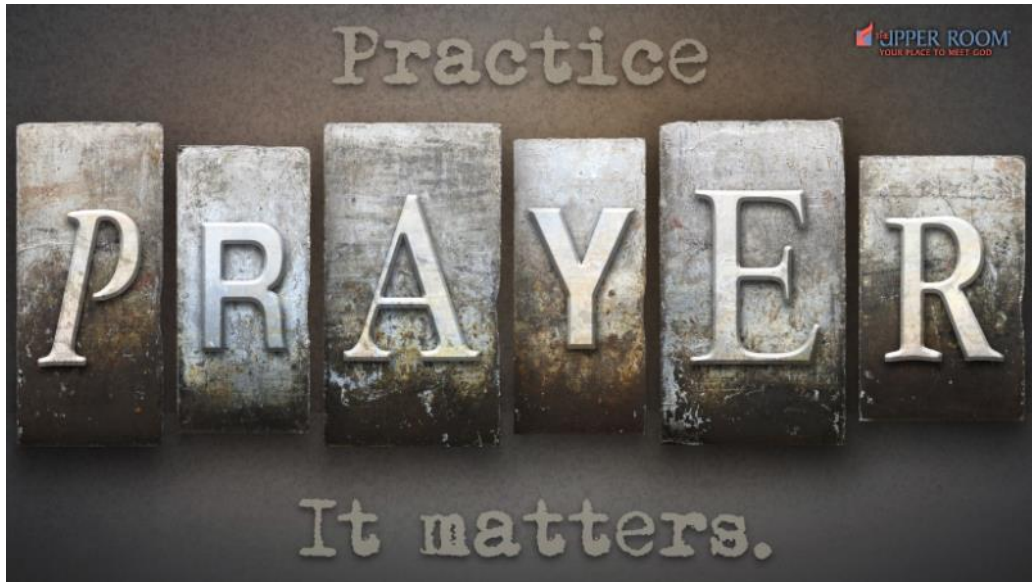


February 19, 2017



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**10:30am Worship Service**

607 Lynn St. - Tipton, IA 52772; 563-886-2331

office@tiptonumc.org or pastor@tiptonumc.org Website: www.tiptonumc.org

**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.

INTROIT

Chancel Choir

PRELUDE

Organ

Jo Brown

WELCOME AND GREETING YOUR NEIGHBOR (*Announcement sheets available at back.*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EXPLANATION OF INSERTS

\* SONG OF PRAISE                      "We Gather Together"                      No. 131  
Lighting of the Candles & Ringing of the Bell (*The Light of Christ enters our worship.*)

\* CALL TO WORSHIP-Inspired by Psalm 5  
L: We gather together to seek God's blessings,  
**P: And to be a blessing to others.**  
L: Christ guides us as we seek Him in prayer.  
**P: Let us worship with an open and prayerful heart.**

ACT OF PRAISE                      "Give Me Oil for My Lamp"                      Chancel Choir

FROM A CHILD'S POINT of VIEW                      Melinda Stonebraker  
(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.)

PRAYER PRACTICES AND PRAYER OF ANCHORING (Insert)

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

OFFERTORY                      "Guide My Feet"                      Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Let Us Pray: **Holy God, You give generous blessings and fill our hearts with gratitude. Empower us to respond joyfully, sharing in ministry with those who are hungry for food, and with those who thirst for spiritual refreshment. Help this community of faith to reflect more fully the priorities of the kingdom of God, turning to the Lord often in prayer. Receive our gifts and offerings for the ministries of Christ' Church here in Tipton. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

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

\* EPISTLE LESSON

1 John 5:14-15 The Message (MSG)

## God Calls Us to *PRAY*

### 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.**

### INTERACTIVE EXPERIENCE      “Prayer Practices”

Each person prays in his/her own way. While some like time in silence, others prefer prayer spoken aloud. Prayer can be walking in the woods, walking a labyrinth, or sitting on a bench on a porch. Some like to journal when they pray, while others like to draw, color or paint. However you prefer to pray, we hope you will find ways today to try out a new prayer practice in the Sanctuary or in the Gathering Place. We will return for the Song of Sending and the Blessing and Sending. (See insert for options and locations.)

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

\*SONG OF SENDING      “Leave it There”      #522 Vs. 1, 2  
*(The Light of Christ goes out before us.)*

### \*BLESSING AND SENDING

L: Prayer is a transforming practice. We go to the Lord, and leave our worries in God's hands.

**P: We offer our hearts to the Lord, trusting that God hears all of our prayers.**

L: As we depart from worship, help us to put into practice new ways to pray.

**P: In silence, in activity, in words, and through the pen, we can connect with God in prayer.**

L: Go in peace, filled with the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of Christ.

**P: Amen.**

### POSTLUDE

Organ

Jo Brown

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

Greg Brown - Director of Xn Chaos	Andrew Allen - Xn Chaos Accompanist
Don Griffith - Custodian	Melinda Stonebraker - Administrative Ministries Coordinator
Alice Ann Gallagher - Chancel Choir Director	Denise Cartwright - Choir Kids Director
Jess Goodenow-Little Friends Preschool Director	Dee Wallace - Choir Kids Accompanist
Megan Coppess-Little Friends Preschool Teacher	Jo Brown & Dee Wallace - Accompanists
Jenny Seylar - Pastor	

## February 19 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Gwen VanScoy & Margaret O'Leary  
Children's Lesson: Melinda Stonebraker  
Liturgist: Pastor Jenny  
Ushers: Twyla Hein & Kim Cross, Bob & Glenda Holets  
Greeters: Tom & Mary Ehresman  
Nursery: Rogstad Family  
PowerPoint: Zoe Stonebraker  
Fellowship Coffee: Ken & Deb McKay, Jack & Denise Cartwright

## February 26 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Jacob & Justin Boedeker  
Children's Lesson: Dusty Johnson  
Liturgist: Gail Fleming  
Ushers: Rick & Judy Rouse; Scott & Karen Anderson  
Greeters: Deb Conant & Allan Charette  
Nursery: Kris Clark  
PowerPoint: Alec Heil  
Fellowship Coffee: Rich & Karen Zobel & Renee & Murry Mente

## PRAYERS

**Hospitalized/Procedures:** Race Hall, Rex Idlewine

**Healing:** Ellen Fear, Jerry Ferguson, Frances Ford, Marvin Ford, Bob Gould, Arlene Hein, Jen Johnson, Carsten Kime, Chris Kuehl, Chuck & Renate Lee (Berrie Glick's bro, sis-in-law), Ted Licht, Erma Lyle, Lynn McIntosh, Brady Miller (Sherry Willey's grandson), Taylor Miller (Sherry Willey's granddaughter), Melissa Roth, Mike Smith, Dawn Spickermann, Karen Streffling, Jim Thiele (L. Salmonson's bro), and others under care or treatment.

### Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Individuals & Families experiencing loss, especially  
Denise Cartwright (and her mom, Marilyn) after the loss of  
step-dad, Gary Taylor

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), David Hammer (Denise Cartwright's uncle), Jerry Swinton, 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

### February 12:

Sunday School 63, Worship 134,  
General fund \$3,479.50  
Apportionments \$15.00, Leaving a  
Legacy \$15.00, Marriage on Tap  
\$50.00, LF Preschool Teacher Salary  
\$886.32, LF Preschool Director  
Salary \$65.00, Shared Blessings  
\$3.00, Copper Kettle \$38.82,  
Mission Work Trip \$65.00, Seminary  
Fund \$250.00

**Grand Total** \$5,101.67

### This Week:

**Sun, Feb 19:** 3:00 pm Cedar Manor  
Worship

**Mon, Feb 20:** 3:00 pm Circle of  
Friends, 7:00 pm PEO

**Tues, Feb 21:** 1:00 pm GIG, 6:15  
pm Girl Scouts #8196

**Wed, Feb 22:** 8:00 am Holy  
Folders, 6:00 pm Hand Chimes, 6:30  
pm GIG, 7:00 pm Choir

**Thurs, Feb 23:** 10:00 am GIG, 6:30  
pm Chaos Rehearsal, 7:00 pm  
Priscilla Circle

**Sat, Feb 25:** 11:00 am Shared  
Blessings Meal

**Sun, Feb 26:** 7:45am Prayer at  
gathering place, 8:30am Choir Kids,  
9:00am Sunday School, 10:30am  
Worship