



February 26, 2017

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EXPLANATION OF INSERTS

* SONG OF PRAISE

"Grace Alone"

No. 2162

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We gather in worship today to offer our thanks and praise.

P: It was You who sent us Jesus, Your Son, to bring order out of chaos.

L: Lord, God, help us to pause from our busy lives,

P: And to worship with an open heart, ready to receive Your message.

L: We were created to worship and honor You.

P: Help us to depart after worship as persons transformed by Christ's grace.

ACT OF PRAISE

Choir Kids

FROM A CHILD'S POINT of VIEW

Dusty Johnson

(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*

PRAYER OF WORSHIP

Let Us Pray: **Glorious God, Your work led to light and growth, beauty and darkness, the creatures of the sea and all living things on the Earth. You proclaimed creation good, culminating Your work in Sabbath rest. Help us, Lord, to pause in our work to find our own rest. As we worship in prayer, silence, and song, help us to hear Your Word, release our cares, and experience renewal from all that presses in on us. Help us to start today by carving out time for You in this day and each and every week. It is through Sabbath rest that we can make room for You in our lives. In Your Name we pray, Amen.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

A 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

"Your Are My Hiding Place"

No. 2055

We Proclaim Christ's WITNESS Through the Word

*EPISTLE LESSON

Hebrews 4: 1-4, 9-11 (CEB)

MESSAGE

"The Need for Sabbath Rest"

Pastor Jenny Seylar

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

OFFERTORY

Christian Chaos

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT

Let Us Pray: **Majestic God, Your glory is far greater than we can describe! We praise and worship You. Thank You for sending Your Son Jesus to be a model for taking time for Sabbath rest. Please help us to pause and listen closely to Your Word and guidance. Help us to use our sabbath as a way to discover how we can guide more people to draw near to You in faith. We commit ourselves anew to Your service through our gifts and offerings. We ask that You bless and multiply these gifts entrusted to Your church. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

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

*SONG OF SENDING

"Fill My Cup, Lord"

No. 3093

*BLESSING AND SENDING

L: Having sung songs of faith, and heard the challenges of scripture, we go forth.

P: Now comes the hard part: putting it all into practice.

L: Guide each one here to listen to Christ's leading in their lives.

P: Filled with the Lord's love and grace, we go in order to live our lives for Christ.

L: Go in peace knowing you do not go through life alone.

P: Amen.

POSTLUDE

Christian Chaos & Choir Kids

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 26 Sunday Servants

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

March 5 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Ava & Owen Boldt
Children's Lesson: Brian Heil
Liturgist: Lois Salmonson
Ushers: Sherry Willey & Rosie Hill
Greeters: Licht Family
Nursery: Rogstad Family
PowerPoint: Ethan Seylar
Fellowship Coffee: J & Roberta Gesling, Pat Fankhauser

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Procedures: Race Hall, Rex Idlewine, Sandy Kreinbring

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 Strefling, 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; and loss of uncle David Hammer
The family of Ron Schroeder after the loss of his father Roger; grandchildren are Ashley Wubben and Ryne Schroeder
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), 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 19: Worship 92,
General fund \$3,018.00,
Apportionments \$10.00, GIG
Books \$10.00, Marriage on tap
\$25.00, Copper Kettle \$42.84,
Mission Work Trip \$3.25
GRAND TOTAL \$3,109.09

This Week:

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

Mon, Feb 27: 6:30 pm Chaos

Tues, Feb 28: 1:00 pm GIG, 2:00 pm Prairie Hills Program 6:15 pm Girl Scouts 8196

Wed, Mar. 1: 1:30 pm Bible Study, 5:30 pm Youth Group, 5:30 Pancake Supper, 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship

Thurs, Mar. 2: 10:00 am GIG

Sun, Mar. 5: 7:45am Prayer at gathering place, 8:30am Choir Kids, 9:00am Sunday School, 10:30am Worship, Receiving Members; Blessing Mission Trip Team