

April 23, 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 Fellowship Coffee in the dining room downstairs after worship. Everyone is welcome!!

Together We Come Into God's PRESENCE

* Indicates to Rise in body or in spirit. (Items in **bold** spoken by congregation)

PRELUDE "Hymn of Promise" Chime Choir
(Let this be a time when you prepare your heart for worship.)

WELCOME

* PASSING OF EASTER PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EXPLANATION OF INSERTS

* SONG OF PRAISE "Every Morning is Easter Morning" See Screen
(The Light of Christ enters our worship)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome, Easter people! Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is Risen, indeed!

L: As followers of the Risen Christ, we are called to be ambassadors of the faith.

P: Make us new creations, ready to share Jesus with others.

All: We worship in joy, accepting God's gift of grace.

ACT OF PRAISE Choir Kids

FROM A CHILD'S POINT OF VIEW "A Tidy Little Religion" Youth Skit
(The 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 paper insert in your bulletin includes space to write prayer concerns.)

PRAYER OF WORSHIP

Let us Pray: **Almighty and Risen Christ, thank You for dying for me so that I could be reconciled for my sins. Forgive me when I disregard the gift of grace and revert back to my old ways of living. Help me, Lord, to live today and every day as one who has received salvation, and is willing to share the Good News with others. We praise You, Holy Lord. 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.

We Proclaim Christ's WITNESS Through the Word

* EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians 5:16 - 6:2 (The Message)

Leader: The Inspired Word of God for the people of God. Response: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

"Now What?"

Pastor Jenny Seylar

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

OFFERTORY

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

Chime Choir

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS

Let Us Pray: **God of miracles, in the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ, You overturned natural laws. Thank You for Your patience to us when we wander away from You. Yet, even today, You still do wonders, transforming people's lives by the ways Your Spirit works through disciples like us. Direct our offerings to strengthen the ministries of this, Your church, especially among people who struggle with doubt or feel distant from You. We pray through Christ, our Risen Lord. Amen.**

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

* SONG OF SENDING

"Hymn of Promise"

No. 707

* BLESSING AND SENDING

Leader: Christ is Risen and we have received grace, Now what?

P: We accept the gift of grace from Jesus and will share the Good news with others.

L: Go from this place confident of salvation in Jesus.

P: Alleluia! The Risen Christ lives in my heart.**All: Go in peace. Amen.**

* POSTLUDE

Christian Chaos

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	

April 23 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Alicia & Jenae Walter
Children's Lesson: Youth Skit
Liturgist: Jen Johnson
Ushers: Rickards and Schultz family
Greeters: Rich & Karen Zobel
Nursery: Cheryl Person
PowerPoint: Comstock Family
Fellowship Coffee: Renee & Murry Mente and Alice Ann Gallagher

April 30 Sunday Servants

Children's Lesson, Liturgist, Ushers, Greeters:
Children Leading Worship
Acolytes: Avary & Braydon Calonder
Nursery: Kris Clark
PowerPoint: Ethan Seylar
Fellowship Coffee: Jeff & Mary McKinney,
Kent & Carmen Hoffman

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Procedures: Bob Whitlatch

Healing: Ellen Fear, Jerry Ferguson, Frances Ford, Marvin Ford, Bob Gould, Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Jen Johnson, Carsten Kime, Chris Kuehl, Chuck & Renate Lee (Berrie Glick's bro, sis-in-law), Ted Licht, Erma Lyle, Lynn McIntosh, Taylor Miller (Sherry Willey's granddaughter), Steve Person, Dawn Spickermann, Jim Thiele (L. Salmonson's bro), Ruel Wehde, and others under care or treatment.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Individuals & Families experiencing loss
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: Clara Italiano, Kevin Lewis, 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, Dave Russell

April 16: Sunday School 48, \$2.00 Early Worship 68, 10:30 149; General Fund \$2,980.50, Apportionments \$15.00, Leaving a Legacy \$15.00, GIG Books 10.00, Missions \$35.00, Copper Kettle \$89.78, Easter Pool \$326.00, Good Friday 440.00, Easter Breakfast 208.00, UMCOR 10.00. **GRAND TOTAL \$4,128.78**

Sunday, April 23rd

3:00 pm District Conference in Marion

Monday, April 24th

7:00 pm Creative Worship

Tuesday, April 25th

1:00 pm GIG, 2:00 pm Prairie Hills Program

Wednesday, April 26th

8:00 am Holy Folders, 1:30 pm Bible Study, 6:00 pm Hand Chimes, 6:30 pm GIG, 7:00 pm Choir

Thursday, April 27th

10:00 am GIG, 6:30 pm SPRC

Saturday, April 29th

9:00 am Made to Crave, 11:00 am Shared Blessings

Sunday, April 30th

7:45 am Prayer, 8:30 am Choir Kids, 9:00 am Sunday School, 10:30 am Children Lead Worship, 3:00 pm Worship at Cedar Manor