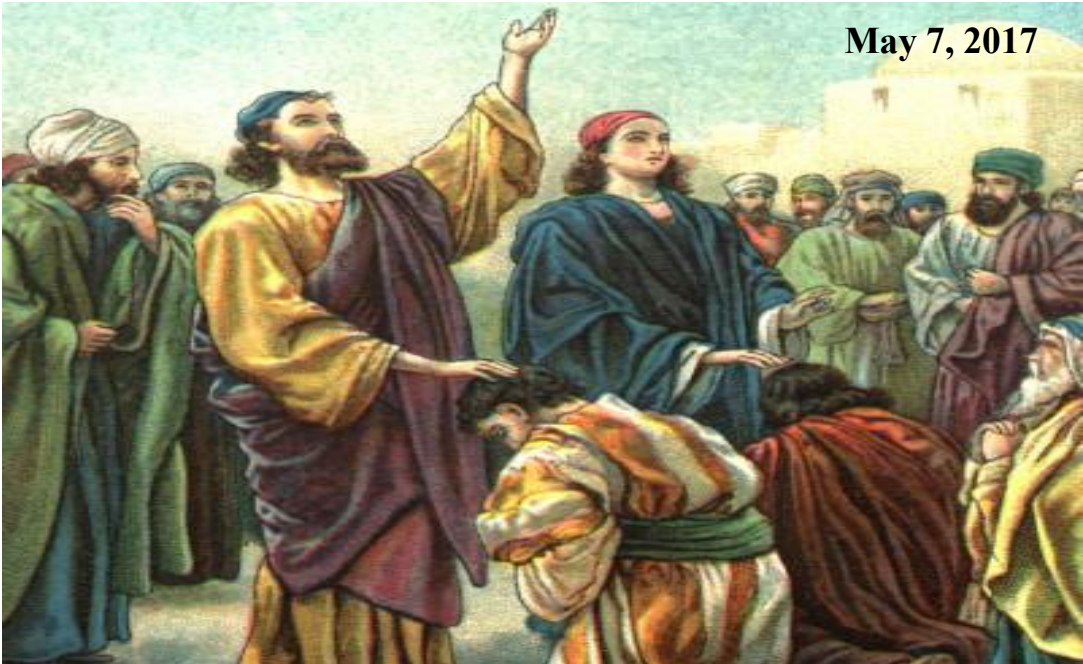


May 7, 2017



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 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. (Items in **bold** spoken by congregation)

INTROIT

Chancel Choir

PRELUDE

Organ

Dee Wallace

WELCOME

* PASSING THE PEACE (*Announcement sheets available at back.*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EXPLANATION OF INSERTS

* SONG OF PRAISE

“Christ is Alive”

No. 318 Vs. 1,2,5

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome, people of God. You have been called to worship today.

People: In the way that God called the Apostle Paul, so God calls us.

L: The words of Christ are intended to teach and guide our actions.

P: We ask the Lord to speak to our hearts and show us the way to go.

All: We worship in joy and thanksgiving!

ACT OF PRAISE

“Rain Down”

Chancel Choir

FROM A CHILD'S POINT of VIEW

Melinda Stonebraker

(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**

PRAYER OF WORSHIP

Let us Pray: **Almighty and Everlasting Lord, Our hearts are blessed as we gather before You today. Because of Your Son, You have given us freedom from all our transgressions and joy in exchange for heavy hearts. You are the refuge we seek when we are troubled, and the courage we need when we venture to go in Your service. Bless us today with Your steadfast love as we declare our trust in You. 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

* SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 13:1-4, 42-44

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

MESSAGE

"Called to Go for Christ"

Robert Brus

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

OFFERTORY

"They'll Know We are Christians"

Chancel Choir

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS

Let Us Pray: **Generous God, we would be lost without the gift of Your living, enduring Word in Scripture. You teach us the mystery that Jesus willingly gave His life to ransom us from death. Guide our hearts by Your Spirit to set our hopes on You, not on perishable things like money. Accept these offerings in gratitude for all that You provide for us. Inspire our church to bring Your Word to enrich the lives of our neighbors. Through Christ, the source of new life, we pray. Amen.**

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

* SONG OF SENDING

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

No. 327 Vs. 1,2,4

* BLESSING AND SENDING

Leader: Depart now knowing that Christ invites you to move from comfort to insecurity.

P: We know we must go from safety to a place of risking for the Lord.

L: Go from this place as Paul did so long ago.

P: We go in confidence to be transformed by God along the way.**All: In name of Jesus Christ, we go. Amen.**

* POSTLUDE

Organ

Dee Wallace

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

May 7 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Morgan & Logan Lanning
Children's Lesson: Melinda Stonebraker
Liturgist: Berrie Glick
Ushers: Ron & Lois Salmonson, Mary & Alvin Wright
Greeters: Josh & Alisha Hubler
Nursery: Denise Cartwright
PowerPoint: Carmen Hoffman
Fellowship Coffee: Marv & Kay Miller, Sandy Childs

May 14 Sunday Servants

Communion Steward: Pat Fankhauser
Acolytes: *Volunteers Needed*
Children's Lesson: Pastor Jenny
Liturgist: Dusty Johnson
Ushers: Bob & Ginny Cummins, Alvin & Mary Wright
Greeters: Ellen & Glenn Fear
Nursery: Kris Clark
PowerPoint: Becky Young; Kelley Lieser-run
Fellowship Coffee: Rosalyn Hill & Gary Eichhorn, Trina & Dave Hill

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Procedures: Ron Stonebraker (UIHC), Rhonda Waugh (Mercy-IC), Bob Whitlatch

Healing: Ellen Fear, Jerry Ferguson, Frances Ford, Marvin Ford, Bob Gould, Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Jen Johnson, Carsten Kime, Chris Kuehl, Ted Licht, Erma Lyle, Lynn McIntosh, Taylor Miller (Sherry Willey's granddaughter), Steve Person, Judy Reidel, Dawn Spickermann, Mike Smith, Jim Thiele (L.Salmonson's bro), Ruel Wehde, and others.

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 30: Sunday School 94, \$9.00;
Worship 181; General Fund
\$1,568.00, Upper Room \$6.25,
Apportionments \$10.00, Shared
Blessings \$20.00, Copper Kettle
\$216.42, Easter Pool \$30.00.
GRAND TOTAL \$1,850.67

This Week:

Sunday, May 7th

10:30 am Worship, Bob Brus

Tuesday, May 9th

1:00 pm GIG, 6:45 pm Leadership Council

Wednesday, May 10th

1:30 pm Bible Study, 6:30 pm GIG,
7:00 pm Choir

Thursday, May 11th

9:30 am Communion @ Cedar Manor, 10:00 am GIG, 6:30 pm Chaos Rehearsal

Saturday, May 13th

9:00 am Made to Crave, 11:00 am Shared Blessings Meal, 1:30 pm Shower

Sunday, May 14th

7:45 am Prayer, 8:30 am Choir Kids,
9:00 am Sunday School, 10:30 am Worship, 6:00 pm Dominoes