

July 2, 2017

United We Stand



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

9:30am 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** or Bulletin. 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 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)

PRELUDE

Jo Brown & Dee Wallace

(Let this be a time when you prepare your heart for worship.)

WELCOME

* PASSING THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EXPLANATION OF INSERTS

* SONG OF PRAISE

"The Battle Hymn of the Republic"

No. 717 Vs. 1, 3, 4, 5

(The Light of Christ enters our worship)

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Psalm 89)

Leader: Happy are we who hear the joyful call to worship, for we walk
in the light of God's presence!

**People: Let's worship God together—celebrating God as our strength
and our protection, the One in whom we trust.**

ACT OF PRAISE

"God of the Ages"

Jo Brown & Dee Wallace

FROM A CHILD'S POINT of VIEW

Kris Clark

(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 SONG

"This is My Song"

No. 437

PRAYER OF WORSHIP

Let us Pray: **Dear Lord, We thank You for being our God, the God who knew each of us before we were created in our mother's womb. So, too, You are the God of all the nations on this earth. Remind us, we pray, as we celebrate this week, to be people who seek peace in our own families and communities. As we try to do Your will and to treat people with love and compassion, it is then we begin to see others through Your eyes. Help our song to be Your song. We pray all this in Jesus' Holy name, Amen.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

A TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray: **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: Luke 1: 67-80 (NRSV)

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

MESSAGE

“United We Stand?”

Pastor Jenny Seylar

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

HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

“America” & “America the Beautiful”

Jo Brown & Dee Wallace

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS

Let Us Pray: **Almighty God, we thank You for the sacrifice Your Son Jesus made so that we will experience salvation. Please help these gifts of bread and juice draw us closer into relationship with You. The light of Your presence brightens the darkness in the world, and carries us from sadness into joy. Thank You for the privilege of sharing in Your healing of our broken world through the ministry of this congregation. Please bless and multiply these gifts in order to draw people into closer relationship with You. We pray in the Spirit of Jesus of Savior. Amen.**

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

* SONG OF SENDING

“We Shall Overcome”

No. 533 Vs. 1, 3, 4, 5

* BLESSING AND SENDING

Leader: You and I were created to live in unity with all people,

People: And so we long for the day when we shall overcome the divisions among us.

L: As you depart today, go seeking to be a peace-bringer to those around you.

P: We go, guided by the Holy Spirit and certain of Christ's love for all people. Amen.

* POSTLUDE

Jo Brown & Dee Wallace

Please join us in the Gathering Place after worship. Everyone is welcome!

Jenny Seylar - Pastor

Melinda Stonebraker—Discipleship Ministries Director

Don Griffith - Custodian

Greg Brown -Director of Xn Chaos

Greg Brown- Administrative Ministries Coordinator

Andrew Allen - Xn Chaos Accompanist

Alice Ann Gallagher - Chancel Choir Director

Denise Cartwright - Choir Kids Director

Dee Wallace - Choir Kids Accompanist

Jo Brown & Dee Wallace - Accompanists

Megan Coppess-Little Friends Preschool Director/Teacher

July 2 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Volunteers
Children's Lesson: Kris Clark
Liturgist: Ruel Wehde
Ushers: Ron & Lois Salmonson,
Larry & Berrie Glick
Greeters: VanScoy Family
Nursery: Kim Rogstad
PowerPoint: Renee Mente
Fellowship Coffee: Bob & Barb Rickard,
Jenny Boldt Family

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Procedures: Rex Idelwein, Ken McKay

Healing: Bernie Beaudry (Mary McKinney's dad), Nick Brown, Ruth Clark, Gary Eichhorn, Deb Eisele, Jerry Ferguson, Frances Ford, Marvin Ford, Bob Gould, 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, Ron Stonebraker, Jim Thiele (L.Salmonson's bro), Rhonda Waugh, Bob Whitlatch, Wayne Williams (Sylvia Ferguson's bro), and others.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions: Sylvia & Ken Gould

Individuals & Families experiencing loss: Larry & Kathy Houstman & 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

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

July 9 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Volunteers
Children's Lesson: Pastor Jenny
Liturgist: Karen Strefling
Ushers: Jerry & Marcia Murphy,
Brad & Stacy Chapman
Greeters: Gail Fleming, Candi Dusenberry
Nursery: Kris Clark
PowerPoint: Ethan Seylar
Fellowship Coffee: Bev Ehrman,
Tom & Mary Ehrman

June 25: Worship 107; General Fund \$4,063.15, Worship Sound System \$5,000.00, Upper Room \$7.71, Shared Blessings \$5.00, Copper Kettle \$55.03

GRAND TOTAL \$9,130.89

This Week:

Sunday, July 2

9:30 am Worship

Monday, July 3

6:45 Missions Meeting

Tuesday, July 4

1:00 GIG

Wednesday, July 5

6:00 Youth Group –Sheltered Reality

Thursday, July 6

9:30—3:30 Painting Party (Preschool)

9:30—Communion at Cedar Manor

10:00 am GIG

Saturday, July 8

11:00 Shared Blessings

Sunday, July 9

9:30 am Worship

The Church Office will be closed Monday & Tuesday for the holiday. For immediate needs, call the office, leave a voicemail and someone will get back to you.
ENJOY YOUR 4th!