

Tipton First United Methodist Church

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January 2023

Church Staff

Pastor – **Melody Williams**

Administrative Ministries

Coordinator – **Mary Jo Heil**

Custodian – **Meredith Coppess**

Chancel Singers

Director – **Luke Johnston**

Piano/Organ – **Jo Brown,
Dee Wallace**

Little Friends Preschool

Director and Teacher –

Daisy Little

Xn Chaos Director –

Greg Brown

Bishop of the Iowa Annual
Conference – **Laurie Haller**

Northeast District
Superintendent –

Rev. Dr. Moody Colorado

Ministers of Jesus Christ in the
World – **All the People of God!**

Time For Another Church Family Huddle

On January 29 we will be having our second Church Family Huddle. In case you have forgotten, it all starts at 8:45 am that morning. The men will be cooking and serving breakfast. The meal is free and everyone is welcome. They have not told me what they are having, so be prepared. We will then have a short devotional for children (adults you have to listen, you might just learn something too). After that we will have some fun. Mark your calendar for January 29 at 8:45 am. See you there!!

Winter Weather

With the threat of severe weather, Sunday school and worship service may be cancelled. If this occurs an email will be sent out and a notice will be posted on television stations KCRG and KWQC.



If a group meeting or GIG chooses to cancel, it is the responsibility of the chairperson or GIG leader to inform the rest of the members.

Would you be
interested in hosting

meet & greet

to meet
Pastor Melody
and give her a
chance to meet us!

Some time in January or February if possible.
Here at the church or in your home.

Call the church office to set up a time.



Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors

A Word or Two From Pastor Paul

It's been a fast and fun 5 months!! Thank you for the opportunity to be on the journey with you. The day I write this Jane and I have eaten at Shared Blessings, delivered a couple meals, and helped clean up. (I also did some pre-serving taste-testing!) It was a stirring of memories as it caused me to reflect on the early stages of Shared Blessings, which, because of planning that went on as the building was being demolished and put together, served their first meal within a month after renovations were complete. (Was that in 2010? 2011? That needs to be included in a written history!!)

One of the tasks that became noticeable when I arrived was to clean out files. Yes, I kept more than I needed to those 11 years!! Here it is, close to the end of my interim, and I finally put time aside to get at that task. I came across the file of FORWARD IN FAITH, the campaign initiated in early 2008 to raise capital for needed updates and improvements to the church. We had a 'publicity program' for six months, involving teams of people giving time and expertise, in preparation for the official kick-off event at worship December 7, 2008. You may recall that the economy in 2008 was in a "recession." By all economic measurements it was the worse time in many of our lives to even think about raising \$600,000 but we couldn't put it off.

The November 7, 2008 publicity piece included messages from various people, including this one from Erma Lyle - which I was hoping to find prior to her funeral but, alas, I failed. Here it is:

My first thought takes me back to when we built the education wing. We then had to make a commitment, and like all you young kids, with youth families, it took a lot of prayer and stepping out, not knowing how, but with Faith to believe somehow we could. We not only reached our pledge, we grew so much in our Faith, believing. I feel blessed at this stage in my life, maybe I can stretch myself to reach a bit deeper, as others had to do for us.

Erma Lyle

We had seven urgent, identified and stated projects and then had additional projects that needed attention "when funds were available," including updated HVAC. If you were here at the time, you may remember that Kofron Builders, the General Contractors, told us it would be foolish to do the HVAC after the remodeling was completed; that we'd be tearing out new walls, ceilings, etc. So they were nice enough to put their work on hold and we went ahead with Prybil Heating of Iowa City to do the HVAC.

Five months after the December 7 kick-off, we had \$206,406.74 in-hand! YOU eventually came through with funds past the \$600,000 campaign goal, completed the seven "urgent" projects AND the HVAC AND re-did (and named!) the Gathering Place, including the installation of plumbing on that level of the building!

It took every person, every family, giving sacrificially of time, grace and money, even one bag of collected, re-cycled pop cans at a time. But you did it!

This is a new time. Many of the people who gave sacrificially at that time have now gone on and celebrate Christmas with Jesus. But I suggest this is a time for a similar spirit for New Life to be recognized. This is a time for a similar exercise of sacrificial giving, not for "capital building" needs, but for a jump start in this New Season of growing in Faith. Don't we all have a tendency to become complacent, to be satisfied with who we are, what we do, even what we give and how much time we dedicate? Let's together honor the sacrificial giving of God by following suit! This church is making a difference in the community and world. Keep it up!!

Pastor Paul Frederiksen; 2005-2016 and 8/1/22 – 12/32/22

Missions

Thank you!

On behalf of the Missions Team, we THANK YOU for the generous giving of your time and monetary donations to Missions projects throughout the year. We couldn't do all that we do, year after year, without your support and the priorities you place on being a "missional" church.

We, as a church, have been able to accomplish many wonderful things. Those included Shared Blessings Community Meals, Sending Kids to Camp, the Angel Tree, donations to the Domestic Violence Shelter and those in need here in our own community, HACAP, and Thanksgiving Ingathering.

Funds from special offerings, the Copper Kettle, Thanksgiving, and Christmas, go to support a wide variety of Mission projects. A complete report of your 2022 mission giving will be available in January and published in the February newsletter.

Super Sub Sunday

On Sunday, February 12 the Missions group will be making 6 inch sub sandwiches. Along with that there will be chips, a drink, and a cookie. Lunch will be served right after worship. If you can't stay, we can make one to go. We can also deliver.

To ensure that we have enough meat and cheese, we ask that you please pre-order. Talk to anyone on the missions group, call the church office, or add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary.

The last day to order will be Feb. 10.

The money raised from this lunch will go to the Cedar County Senior Meals.



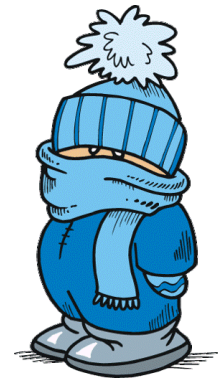
The annual Sunday School Christmas program was held on Dec. 18. Everyone was a youth and took part. Thank you to all who helped in the telling of the Savior's birth!

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**Changing our Community
with Compassion**

Saturday, Jan. 14
Saturday, Jan. 28
11:00-11:45 am



HACAP Mobile Food Truck

Tipton FUMC

Friday, January 6

West Branch Fire Station

Tuesday, January 17

Questions?

Call the HACAP Food
Reservoir (319) 393-7811
or the Church office
(563) 886-2331

Income Eligibility
Guidelines Apply

www.hacap.org

Amplify Media

Need ideas for your next GIG study? Take a look at [Amplify Media](#)

Amplify Media is an online resource that we initially went to for Sunday school curriculum but have found it to be filled with resources for bible studies and small groups.

If you are interested, please contact the church office and we will get you set up with an account so you can get your material.

Youth Group

meet the second and 4th Sunday of the month from 6:30–7:45 pm. All kids 9–19 who are interested in playing in a Christian rock band are encouraged to come.

The Upper Room

The Upper Room Devotionals for Jan/Feb. are here. You can pick one up at the back of the church, in the Gathering Place, or in the breezeway.



Thank you so much for remembering me on my birthday! I greatly appreciate the card and the Casey's gift card on my special day :)

Sara Webb

Wartburg College-Class of 2024
Biology, Pre-Veterinary Medicine

Thank you so much for the Christmas care package!

Sara Webb

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Now Accepting Scholarship Applications!

The Iowa United Methodist Foundation is offering over 100 scholarships for the 2023–2024 school year! Check out the website <https://iumf.org/scholarships/> to read the criteria and apply! Applications are accepted Dec. 1–Mar. 1 annually.

With over \$250,000 to award this year, we want to help students graduate with less debt!

Carroll Mitchell Scholarship

You may start applying for the Carroll Mitchell scholarships. Application opened up December 1. Applicant must be a member or constituent of Tipton United Methodist Church. All ages and levels beyond high school are encouraged to apply, but graduating high school seniors will be given preference. (\$1,400 – 1 awarded per year)

For more information or go to <https://iumf.org/scholarships/um-college-scholarships/>

Carol Mitchell Ministry Scholarship

Application opened up December 1. Applicant must be a member or constituent of Tipton United Methodist Church and must have a degree in Christian Ministry or be attending or planning to attend seminary.

(\$2,100 – 1 awarded per year)

For more information or go to <https://iumf.org/scholarships/um-college-scholarships/>

Church Leadership Teams 2023

First UMC Tipton Church Leadership Teams 2023

MINISTRY TEAMS

(by class year)	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
<u>Staff Parish Relations</u>	Larry Houstman Ann Neville Dusty Johnson	Ken Muller Ruel Wehde	Greg Brown (Chair) Ange Catanese Cheryl Person
<u>Leadership Development</u>	Bob Cummins Pastor	Ron Salmonson	Kathy Houstman
<u>Memorial Committee</u>	Lois Salmonson (Chr) Teri Baird (Treas)	Bev Ehresman Pam Spear	Sylvia Ferguson (Sec.) Ken Muller
<u>Missions Committee</u>	Mary Jo Heil Wayne Brown	Wayne Hunt Amy Glick	Judy Rouse Lisa Davies Holly Schott
<u>Trustees</u> (Endowment)	Bob Young Brian Heil Chris Schultz	Laura Hembry Brian Boedecker	Adam Rippentrop Abby VanScoy
<u>Spiritual Formation Ministries</u> (_____ - Chair)	Mary Jo Heil Larry Glick	Judy Rouse Joyce Slach	Cheryl Person
<u>Creative Worship Team</u> (Greg Brown, Chair)	Communion Stewards: Candy Dusenberry Sunday Servants: Wayne Hunt Ushers/Greeters/Readers	Chancel Choir Rep.: Luke Johnston Chancel Choir Director: Luke Johnston Choir Kids Director: Gwen VanScoy, Abby VanScoy	Nursery: _____ Organist: Jo Brown; Keyboard: Dee Wallace Acolytes: Wayne Hunt & Kelsie Schott Christian Chaos: Greg Brown Worship Technology/Power Point: Brian Heil
<u>Care and Welcoming Ministries</u> (Ann Neville - Chair)	Grief: _____ Cards: _____ Congregational Care: Ann Neville	Fellowship Coffee Coordinator: Becky Young, Gail Fleming Visitor Follow-Up Team: TBD Email Prayer Chain: Lorna Muller College Connections: Heidi Shumaker	
<u>Little Friends Pre-School</u>	Director: Daisy Little Ex Officio: _____ Trustee Rep.: Brian Boedecker	Teacher: Daisy Little Treasurer: Kim Walter Board Member: Joyce Slach	Board Member: Amber Brown

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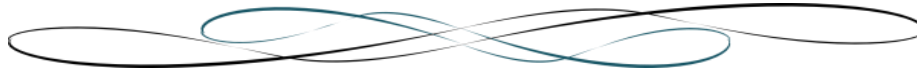
First UMC Tipton Church Leadership Positions 2023

<u>LEADERSHIP COUNCIL</u> (para 252.5)		(\$ = Member of Finance Comm. Para 258.4)
Chair and Lay Leader (\$)	Lois Salmonson	
Recording Secretary	Sylvia Ferguson	
Treasurer (\$)	Sue Thumma	
Finance (\$)	Ginny Cummins	
Lay Member to Annual Conference	Kathy Houstman; Mary Jo Heil, alt.	
Leadership Development (shared)	Bob Cummins, Ron Salmonson	
Missions Chair	Interim: MJ Heil	
Spiritual Formation Ministries		
SPRC Chair (\$)	Greg Brown	
Trustees Chair (\$) (Group elects)	Laura Hembry	
Creative Worship (\$)	Greg Brown	
Little Friends Pre-School Rep	Kim Walter	
Care and Welcoming	Ann Neville	
Pastor (\$)	Rev. Dr. Melody Williams	
Youth Representative		

Finance Ministry

Treasurer: Sue Thumma (\$)

Financial Secretary Team: Ginny Cummins, Carolyn Wood, Greg Brown, Dee Wallace, Jo Brown



YOUTH LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE

By August 1, 2023, 1st UMC will have a fund designated for Youth Ministry Leadership in the amount of \$140,000 for the purpose of employing gifted, passionate adult/s to work in youth ministry.

PROCESS: An anonymous donor has offered to match donations dollar for dollar up to \$70,000. Every donation up to that amount will be doubled! Fund Raising can begin immediately and whenever possible would include youth family participation as well as all ages of the church.

To clarify: This means if you give \$1.00, the donor will match that dollar. If you give \$100; the donor will give \$100. The donor family will match dollar-for-dollar up to \$70,000!! (YES! We can raise more than that, too. But only dollars up to the \$70,000 will be “matched.”)

These funds would provide a fund designated to cover costs of dedicated youth leadership. Job description and expectations would be written by the SPRC in conjunction with stakeholders of youth ministry... i.e. youth and youth families, pastor, current adults investing time and talents with youth, etc.

There is a deadline of August 1, 2023. This challenge will go no-where unless we get some leadership behind it. We need 2 or 3 persons with passion to get us going and keep the process and progress in front of the congregation. If not YOU, then WHO?

Tipton FUMC Budget for 2023

Tipton First United Methodist Church
2023 Budget
 Approved by Leadership Council – November 2022

STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS

Pastor

Salary	61,182
Pastor Mileage	2,000
Pastor Business Expense	1,000
Pastor Annual Conf/Cont Ed	1,000
Pension Pd By Church	11,472
Health Insurance Pd By Church	<u>17,676</u>
	94,330

Staff Salaries

Administrative Assistant	15,600
Custodian	7,800
Choir Director	2,765
Organist/Keyboard	<u>3,000</u>
	29,165

Benefits

Employer Medicare	423
Employer Social Security	1,809
Staff Training/Cont Ed	500
Music Subs	800
Pulpit Supply	200
Background Checks	50

TOTAL STAFF-PARISH **127,277**

OFFICE EXPENSES

Office Supplies	500
Postage	700
Internet & Phone	1,700
Copier/Printer Lease	3,000

TOTAL OFFICE EXPENSES **5,900**

CARE AND WELCOMING

TOTAL CARE AND WELCOMING **500**

2023 Pastoral Compensation was not on our agenda at the annual Church Conference October 16, 2022. Therefore, Charge Conference is being called for January 7 at 3:00 pm for the purpose of considering and approving 2023 Pastoral Compensation.

Tipton FUMC Budget for 2023

TRUSTEES

Elevator Maintenance	1,640
Janitorial Supplies	350
Lawn Mowing	300
Pest Control	300
Property/Workers Comp Insurance	9,500
Repair/Maintenance – Church	4,500
Snow Removal	2,000
State Inspections/Certificates	400
Utilities – Church	20,000
Utilities – Parsonage	750
TOTAL TRUSTEES	<u>39,740</u>

CREATIVE WORSHIP

Instrument Tuning	1,000
Copyright License	320
Worship Supplies	500
TOTAL CREATIVE WORSHIP	<u>1,820</u>

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

Payroll Processing	2,160
Offering Envelopes	100
TOTAL FINANCIAL OPERATIONS	<u>2,260</u>

MISSION & MINISTRIES

Apportionments	
General Church	6,127
Conference Ministries	14,322
Conference Missions	3,519
District Asking	1,428
Lay Member to Annual Conference	600
TOTAL MISSION & MINISTRIES	<u>25,996</u>

SPIRITUAL FORMATION/EVANGELISM

Upper Room/Study Books	200
Sunday School	500
Advertising – Print	200
Advertising – Digital	100
TOTAL SPIRITUAL COMMITTEE	<u>1,000</u>
	204,493

October Financials

November 1 Balance	\$23,564.31
Income	
Contributions	\$14,268.22
Expenses	
Salaries/Pension/Taxes	\$6,331.73
Utilities – Church/Parsonage	\$390.54
Financial Overhead	\$155.00
Postage	\$96.02
Phone/Internet	\$149.01
Copier Lease	\$136.30
GIG Books/Upper Room	\$25.80
Elevator Maintenance	\$434.85
Cleaning Supplies	\$16.50
Office Supplies	\$110.62
Apportionments	\$14,118.00
November 30 Balance	\$15,868.16
Worship Attendance	
Nov. 6 – 74, Nov. 13 – 75, Nov. 20 – 64, Nov. 27 – 63	

To all at Tipton United Methodist Church

Thank you for live streaming the beautiful memorial service today for my Aunt Erma Turnipseed Lyle.

As her nephew I already knew about her beautiful life but hearing her more immediate family proclaim that from the rooftops was extraordinarily moving and special to me today. Living so far away made it not possible to attend the service in person so once again I thank everyone who made the live stream available.

Godspeed and God Bless!
Gary

As the angel choir withdrew into heaven, the shepherds talked it over. "Let's get over to Bethlehem as fast as we can and see for ourselves what God has revealed to us." They left, running, and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. Seeing was believing. They told everyone they met what the angels had said about this child. All who heard the shepherds were impressed. Mary kept all these things to herself, holding them dear, deep within herself. The shepherds returned and let loose, glorifying and praising God for everything they had heard and seen. It turned out exactly the way they'd been told!

–Luke 2:16–20 (MSG)



First Friday Donuts!

Which this month happens to be January 6. Meet at the United Church of Christ of Tipton to meet, greet, and serve donuts and juice to the high school students. 8 to 8:30 am in the UCC parking lot. Reach out to the church office or Lois Salmonson to add your name to the list.



The baptism of Kowen Reid Behne was celebrated on December 18. Kowen is the son of Stephanie & Nicholas and brother of Kenadie & Kinick.

- 1 – Ray Linder
- 2 – Sharon Clark
- 4 – Murry Mente
- 5 – Kypton Brown, Dixie Martin
- 6 – Kowen Behne, Bill Esbeck, Billy Hoffman, Sandy Ohrt
- 7 – Andrew Allen
- 8 – Ron Elijah, Nate Ohrt, Helen Timm
- 10 – Joseph Battey, Nathan Fitch, Casey Gade, Helen Palmer
- 11 – Kiki Behne, Rae Leff
- 12 – Gwen VanScoy
- 15 – Glenda Holets
- 16 – Jamie Ketelsen
- 18 – Nifer Comstock, Bonnie Leslie, Mike Semotan, Emily Wulf
- 19 – Tina Nau, Matt Schmidt, Larry & Kathy Houstman
- 20 – Samantha Eberle, Carson Glick, Corey Ormsby
- 22 – Roger Regennitter, Isaac Spangler, Lyle & Cynthia Fitch
- 25 – Brad & Bobbie Lieser
- 26 – Blake Huston, Margaret Ketelsen, Shayne Lanning
- 27 – Daniel Charette, Wally Reidel, Danica Rippentrop
- 29 – Emilie Hein
- 31 – Kamryn Chapman, Mark Wiskus, Marc & Jerrelyn Weaver

Hospitalized/Procedures:

Healing: Cheryl Person, Bob Rickard, Betty Orr (Greg Brown's aunt), Deb Lowry, Anton Slach, Carolyn Wood, Chris Keller, Irene Wood, Glenn Fear, Jo Ann Beers, Nick Brown, Glenn Eaton, Bob Gould, half-brother and nephew of Deb Lowry, Randy Nau, Judy Ohrt

Individuals & Families Experiencing Loss:

The family of Erma Lyle who died Nov. 28
The family of Pat Fankhauser who died Dec. 1

Prayers for Those in Life Transitions:

Keith & Carolyn Wood, Ken Gould, Rhonda Waugh, Denise Cartwright, Lynn McIntosh

In Treatment: Myrna Baird (Lorna Muller's sister), Norma Snyder (Mary Vang's sister-in-law), Leroy Clark (Lisa Davies' dad), Ron Burroughs, Tom Ehresman, Clara Italiano, Taylor Miller (Sherry Willey's granddaughter), Chris Ward

Hospice/Palliative Care:

Armed Services: Joseph Battey, Nolan Ohrt, Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Kyle Marchik, Corey & Alexa Ormsby, Mike Ploeger & Daniel Larson (McKinney's nephews), Kaitlyn (McKinney) & Nick Brisbin, Jacob Ketelsen

**ASHLYNN
BENTLEY
BRYNLEE
KINZLEY
KNOX
ROZLYN**



**ALEX
GEORGIA
HONDO
LYDIA
WILLOW**



MERRY CHRISTMAS!
From LITTLE FRIENDS PRESCHOOL

January Calendar



Every Sunday

8:45 am Youth
Sunday School
9 am Wired Word
9 am GIG
10 am Worship

Dates and times are subject to change. Go to our website for current information.

Wednesday, January 4

6:30 pm SPRC
6:30 pm Xn Chaos Rehearsal

Thursday, January 5

10 am GIG
6:30 pm GIG

Friday, January 6

3:30–4:30 pm HACAP Food Truck

Sunday, January 8

6:30–7:45 pm Youth Group

Wednesday, January 11

6:30 pm Xn Chaos Rehearsal

Thursday, January 12

10 am GIG
6:30 pm GIG

Saturday, January 14

11–11:45 am Shared Blessings

Monday, January 16

6:30 pm Missions

Tuesday, January 17

2 pm Worship @ Prairie Hills
6:30 pm Leadership Council

Wednesday, January 18

Newsletter Articles Due
6:30 pm LFP Board
6:30 pm Xn Chaos Rehearsal

Thursday, January 19

10 am GIG
6:30 pm GIG
6:30 pm Trustees

Sunday, January 22

11:15 am Creative Worship
6:30–7:45 pm Youth Group

Wednesday, January 25

8:30 pm Holy Folders
6:30 pm Xn Chaos Rehearsal

Thursday, January 26

10 am GIG
6:30 pm GIG

Saturday, January 28

11:00–11:45 am Shared Blessings



**Can't Make Worship?
Visit the Website.**

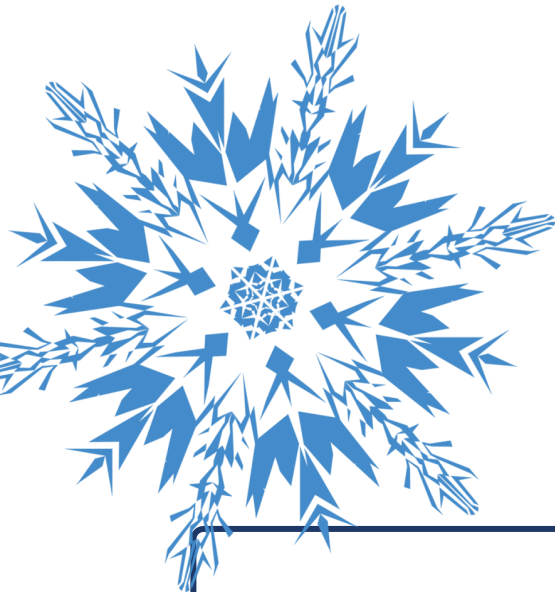
Worship LIVE

To watch live on Sunday morning (10:00am), or the most recent service (available until the following Saturday), visit the church website at tiptonumc.org and click on the 'Join Us Via Livestream' link on the left side under the logo (or under the logo on your mobile phone). You can also click the WorshipLIVE icon on the front page. To view archived services, click the Worship menu and select 'Worship Videos'. Or use this link: <https://tiptonumc.org/worship-videos/>

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January

JANUARY EVENTS

Jan. 6 — HACAP Mobile Food
Pantry

Jan. 8 — Youth Group

Jan. 14 — Shared Blessings

Jan. 17 — Worship @ Prairie Hills

Jan. 18 — Newsletter Deadline

Jan. 25 — Holy Folders

Jan. 28 — Shared Blessings

**Happy
New Year**

Mission Statement:

Tipton First United Methodist Church

“To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”