

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### World Communion Sunday – October 1

We are called to reach out to all people and model the diversity of all God's children. Your gifts support racial and ethnic students in achieving their educational goals while also transforming communities. Fifty percent of the offering provides scholarships for graduate students from the US and other countries. Thirty-five percent supports ethnic scholarships for undergraduate students. Fifteen percent funds In-Service Training programs for racial and ethnic persons.

The copper kettle offerings today will go to World Communion Sunday.

### The Next Congregation

There is a booth in the Bereans room (the classroom off of the Gathering Place) with silent auction items. Please stop by and make a bid. All proceeds support the youth group and the pledge to hire a youth leader.

### Mission Auction and Soup Lunch – November 12

Plans are being made for the annual Mission Auction and Soup Lunch to benefit Youth Camp Scholarships and College Connections.

If you have items you would like to donate, please contact a mission team member or call the church office. We hope to have more baked goods this year along with great "treasure" pieces. Please no "garage sale items".

## THIS WEEK AT TIPTON UMC

### Sunday, Oct. 1

11:15 am – The Next Congregation

### Monday, Oct. 2

1 pm – GIG

### Wednesday, Oct. 4

12:30 pm – Creative Worship

### Thursday, Oct. 5

10 am – GIG

6:30 pm – GIG

### Friday, Oct. 6

3:30–4:30 pm – HACAP Mobile Food Pantry

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of TIPTON

10:00 am Worship Service

### Mission Statement:

*"To make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world."*

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"HEAVEN"

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (5 minutes before worship starts)

**GATHERING As SISTERS & BROTHERS Of JESUS**

**PRELUDE** "O Worship the King" Jo & Dee

**WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 19:1–10 No. 750

**\*HYMN** "When We All Get To Heaven" No. 701

**LITTLE FRIENDS MINUTE**

Copper kettles will be passed at this time. You're invited to put 'noisy money' [change!] in the kettles for mission projects to be identified by your Missions Team.

**\*PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Lord, you have given us power in prayer, yet sometimes we shy away, feeling as if we do not know how to come to one as great as you! As we listen to your word today, transform our hearts and grow us into a people of prayer.

**GROWING As DISCIPLES**

**\*SCRIPTURE READING** Genesis 1:1–5 Kellie Rouse  
Matthew 6:5–15

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**SUNG CALL TO PRAYER** "The Lord's Prayer" No. 271

**ACT Of PRAISE** "My Shepherd Is The Lord" Chancel Choir

**MESSAGE** "Heaven" Pastor Melody

**GATHERING AT THE TABLE** (please bring your offering as you come forward)

**Joys and Challenges**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**"Washing" and Invitation**

Come, for Christ invites ALL to His Table

**SENT. . . To Be APOSTLES**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (Pray Together)

Amazing God, you have given us so much! We are so thankful. As we reflect on your unfathomable generosity toward us we ask you to help us to be generous in return. Take these tithes and offerings and use them to show your generosity to the world.

**\*SENDING SONG** "I'll Fly Away" No. 2282

**\*THE BLESSING AND SENDING**

L: Remember who you are, whose you are, and what you have been given.

**P: We go into the world seeking to share this amazing truth, that Christ is with us!**

**POSTLUDE** "Sent Forth By God's Blessing" Dee & Jo

**PRAYERS**

**Healing:** Dean Wolfe, Ken McKay, Jim Thiele, Gary Thiele (Lois Salmonson's brothers), Chris Edwards (Pastor Melody's brother), Alberta Wagaman, Bob Rickard, Mindi Salmonson, Betty Orr (Greg Brown's aunt), Deb Lowry, Irene Wood, Glenn Fear, Jo Ann Beers, Nick Brown, Glenn Eaton, Bob Gould, half-brother and nephew of Deb Lowry, Randy Nau, Judy Ohrt

**Prayers for Those in Life Transitions:** Helen Timm, Ken Gould, Rhonda Waugh, Denise Cartwright, Lynn McIntosh, Caroline Wood

**Individuals & Families Experiencing Loss:**

**In Treatment:** Jeff McKinney, 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 grand-daughter), Joyce Urmie (Sandy Brown's sister-in-law), Chris Ward

**Armed Services:** Dustin Kushnereit (Lisa Davies' son-in-law), Joseph Battey, Jacob Ketelsen, 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