

First Church has started running vans to pick up children, youth, and their families for Sunday School and worship. We are so excited about this new opportunity for outreach and growth! For this ministry to be successful, your help is needed:

- Adult volunteers to drive or ride on vans for pick up and drop off
- Sunday School classes and small groups to provide grab-and-go breakfast once per month
- Everyone to pray for and welcome any new people who might attend

If you can help or need more information, contact Pastor Jodie at jodie.ihfe@1stchurchjc.org

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The United Methodist Women, Women of Faith, will meet October 6 at FUMC. The Executive Committee will meet in the Conference Room at 9:00. The General Meeting will be in the Parlor at 10:00 with coffee and a treat bag. We will take donations for the world Thank Offering, which supports programs that impact women, children, and youth all over the world. Kathy Feagins will present an overview of the Food Pantry.

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Prayer Cover: Novice Gross

Prayer List

Randy & Pat Adams
 Erma Budd
 Amanda C.
 Catherine Cartus
 Scott Combs
 Vernon Crawford
 Lindsay Daniel
 Eric Davidson
 Chad & Sandi Decker
 Jackie Denny
 Family of Ken Diehl
 Phyllis Eckerson
 Vivian Eckerson
 Courtney Eddy
 Peggy Eddy
 Phyllis Eorgan
 Ray Feagins
 Susan Fields
 Billy Frye & Carrie Hartzog
 Jim Furches
 Betty & Earl Gouge
 Kay Haga
 Mendy Hall
 Beverly Harris
 The Hrenda family
 Scott Huff
 Janet Ihfe
 Ellen & Natalie Kaltenbacher
 Mike Kellum
 Mary Anne King
 Pam King
 Linda Kostreva
 Sally Lee
 Barbara Marrs
 David McElveen
 Al Meeks
 Jim Milliken
 Jasper & Peyton Minutolo
 Helen Mills
 Family of Rick Norman
 Tom Palmer
 Ruby Payne
 Libby Roberts
 Taylor Rodriguez
 Matt Rosecrance
 Steven Schmidt
 Louise Scott
 Ed Searcey
 Donna Smith
 Nancy Stevenson
 Davis Story
 Sue Tabbert
 Anna Grace West
 Brittney Williams & baby
 Family Promise
 Brother's Keeper
 Healthcare workers
 US Military & families
 Ukraine
 Manna House
 Students & teachers
 Flood victims



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

First Things First

Prelude "I Love to Tell the Story" William Fischer, arr. Jay Rouse

Call to Worship From Psalm 14

Leader: O come and magnify the Lord with me.

People: Let us exalt the name of the Lord together.

Leader: The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them.

People: The Lord delivers them in times of trouble.

Leader: Those who serve the Lord will be redeemed.

People: Those who take refuge in the Lord will never be condemned.

Leader: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

People: Blest are those who place their trust in God.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "My Hope is Built" #368

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Merciful God, You showed Your humility and love by becoming one of us.

People: We confess our pride that keeps us from showing Your mercy and love to others.

Leader: You walked alongside those in need.

People: We rush past the pain of others.

Leader: You loved those who were weak, despised, and outcast.

People: We admire the strong, respected, and powerful.

Leader: You freely forgave and healed.

People: We hold grudges and cause pain.

Leader: You prayed that all Your children would be one.

People: We focus on the differences that separate us from each other.

Leader: Forgive us, Lord, for we have failed to walk in Your holy ways.

People: Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us to yearn for righteousness and justice, that we may truly be salt of the earth and light for the world.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him. My friends, remember and believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and freed to try again. Thanks be to God! AMEN

New Testament Reading John 14:1-6

Morning Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "Be Still My Soul" #534

Mission Moment

Doxology

#94

Anthem

"God is Love"

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 18

Sermon

"A Love That Saves"

Rev. Gary Ihfe

Celebration of Holy Communion

Hymn of Commitment

"Love That Saves"

On Screen

Benediction

Benediction Response

No one

No one but Jesus

There is one love

One love that saves us

There will be a mandatory training on Sunday, October 30 following worship for volunteers with children and youth, including Sunday School teachers, nursery workers, Wednesday night helpers, van volunteers, security team, and anyone else who might help with the children or youth at any time.

The Blessing of the Animals, originally planned for today, has been rescheduled for November 6.

Wednesday Night Fellowship

Program: Methodism 101, all about the history and beliefs of the United Methodist Church.

Menu: pork loin, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, dessert

Dinner begins at 5:45.

Please make reservations by **Tuesday, 10/4 at noon** by returning the slip found in the pew pads or by contacting the church office.

Offering boxes are located at the front and rear of the sanctuary and in the narthex.