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Prayer List

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Erma Budd
Catherine Cartus
Scott Combs
Family of Patty Cox
Vernon Crawford
Ernie Cross
Lindsay Daniel
Eric Davidson
Chad & Sandi Decker
Jackie Denny
Family of Ken Diehl
Phyllis Eckerson
Vivian Eckerson
Courtney Eddy
Phyllis Eorgan
Ray Feagins
Susan Fields
Jim Furches
Family of Nannie Greene
Betty Gouge
Chris H.
Mendy Hall
Beverly Harris
Luke Holmes
Scott Huff
Janet Ihfe
Ellen & Natalie Kalten-
bacher
Karl Kapoor
Mike Kellum
Mary Anne King
Joanne Kleven
Lisa Kleven & family
Linda Kostreva
Sally Lee
David McElveen
Al Meeks
John Melendez & family
Jim Milliken
Helen Mills
Tom Palmer
Family of Levi Robinette
Taylor Rodriguez
Maven & Mayes Rogers
Steven Schmidt
Louise Scott
Nancy Stevenson
Davis Story
Elaine Taylor
Anna Grace West
Jay & Melissa Wilkinson
Family Promise
Brother's Keeper
Kairos Ministry
Healthcare workers
US Military & families
Ukraine
Manna House
Highland Park, Illinois
NHC
ELC staff



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2022

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

First Things First

Prelude "Bread of the world" Arr. Gilbert Martin

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all who are hungry and thirsty.

People: The Lord will provide for our needs.

Leader: Come this day to the table of the Lord.

People: At God's feast we will find acceptance and grace.

Leader: Come, and see that the Lord is good.

People: We will worship the Lord, who is our hope and strength.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #139
Verses 1, 3, 4, & 5

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God of abundance, in Your hands, a meager offering of bread and fish became a feast to feed a multitude.

People: Still, O Lord, we doubt the abundance of Your grace.

Leader: Still, O Lord, we are hesitant to share the gifts we have.

People: Still, O Lord, we dismiss the pain of those who need our understanding, compassion, and care.

Leader: Still, O Lord, we wonder whether there is enough for all.

People: Forgive us, O Lord. Remove our doubts and increase our faith.

Leader: Transform our minds, and free us to be more generous people.

People: Open our hearts to new expressions of love. For You are the giver of grace upon grace, the One who turns want into plenty.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: Rejoice! God's love is poured over you this day for healing, restoration, and hope. Feel the power of God's mercy in your life, as You remember the good news of the Gospel:

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

Old Testament Reading Exodus 16:13-21

Morning Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "For the Beauty of the Earth" #92
Verses 1, 2, 4, & 5

Mission Moment

Doxology #94

New Testament Lesson Mark 6:34-44

Anthem "In My Father's Hands"

Sermon "Our Daily Bread" Rev. Jodie Ihfe

Celebration of Holy Communion

Special Music "Strive to Be Happy" Graham Hurter, Marimba

Hymn of Commitment "Remembrance (Communion Song)" On Screen

Benediction

Benediction Response

Lord, we remember You,
And remembrance leads us to worship,
And as we worship You,
Our worship leads to communion,
We respond to Your invitation,
We respond to Your invitation,
We remember You.

The Circle of Faith will meet Thursday, August 4 at 10:00 am in the conference room.

Back to School Splash!

On Wednesday, August 3, we are kicking off our children and youth programs at Martindale Pool (3403 Manchester Lane) with a Back to School Splash. Children and youth of all ages are invited for swimming, pizza, snacks, and lots of FUN! The vans will begin running at 5:00 or kids can be dropped off at the pool at 6:00.

Upcoming August Meetings & Events

- ⇒ Tuesday, August 2: SPRC Meeting- 5:45
- ⇒ Wednesday, August 3: Back to School Splash- 6:00
- ⇒ Thursday, August 4: Circle of Faith- 10:00

Volunteers Needed for Morning Worship

Are you looking for a way to be more involved at 1st Church? Are you interested in participating in worship or working behind the scenes to make worship a better experience for others? There are many ways for you to get involved. You can serve on the Security & Welcome Team or the Tech Team. You can be a greeter or work with our young children and babies. You can sing in the choir or lead the readings and prayers during worship. We would love to bring you on board and get you trained. If you are interested in serving in one of these ways, contact Pastor Gary at gary.ihfe@1stchurchjc.org

Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of August, the Food Pantry is collecting items for Bucky's Food Pantry at ETSU. The needed items are ramen noodles, canned vegetables, and shampoo. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

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