



Mission Statement:

Tipton First United Methodist Church

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30 am Service

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Paul E. Frederiksen - Pastor

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Denise Cartwright - Choir Kids Director

Sylvia Gould - Accompanist

Jamie Bahr - Xn Chaos Keyboard

Dee Wallace - Choir Kids Accompanist

April 12, 2015

Chapter 28 of THE STORY

10:30 a.m.

“New Beginnings”

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 or anything like that. If you're new to First, we do have print materials on the table at the back of the main level of the worship center... 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; and children's bulletins 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 go have an usher provide an escort.

In each program is a half-sheet 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 dining room, in the lower level, at the conclusion of worship. Everyone is welcome!!

PRELUDE

“All Because of Jesus”
Lighting of the Candles

Christian Chaos
Ringling of the Bell

SETTING THE STAGE

PRAISE & PRAYER

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

#557 vs 1-3

Loving God, We praise you for sending your son, Jesus Christ, who set us free from sin and death. We thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit that we may live a full life with you in eternity. Each day we strive to live in a way that is worthy of your sacrifice. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to become disciples of your Word, and we labor each day to become courageous enough to reach out to others. Let us prepare ourselves to hear Your word and open our hearts to become closer to you. Amen.

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITING Acts 1:1-11

CHILDREN'S LESSON Dusty Johnson

(Pocket change collected in the copper kettles each week is given to missions.)

ACT OF PRAISE “This Is The Stuff” Christian Chaos

* A JESUS STORY

Matthew 28:16-20

L: This is the Word of our Lord. **Response: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

“New Beginnings”

JOYS AND CONCERNS... and the Power of Persistent Intercession!

“Surely the Presence of the Lord”

#328

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

GIVING TITHES and OFFERINGS
THE OFFERTORY

Choir Kids

(The ushers will bring the offering forward during the prayer.)

* A PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

From 1 Peter 4:8-10.

Gracious God, we dedicate these gifts to you. In doing so, we acknowledge that we are called to love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Through your Holy Spirit, empower us to offer hospitality to one another without grumbling and use whatever gift we have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of your grace.

* "Doxology"

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* SENDING FORTH

Litany based on Matthew 28:18-20 and John 20:19-22

L: Jesus came and stood among them and said "Peace be with you."

P: We accept your peace and extend it to others.

L: Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

P: Where are you sending us? What do we have authority to do?

L: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey what I have commended you."

P: We will go to our homes and communities with the good news and good works of salvation.

L: As believers, you have received the Holy Spirit

P: He is with us, to the end of the age. Amen.

* MARCHING SONG

"Make Us One"

#2224

ANNOUNCEMENTS: How We'll Each Put Hands & Feet To The Gospel This Week

Always use a microphone so everyone may be included. Thank you.

POSTLUDE

"All Because of Jesus"

Christian Chaos

Personal Reflection and Application:

As Christians, we are called to be different from the world and the culture we live in. If we aren't, how are we different from the world and culture of today, and how would non-Christians or believers see us and how we live, differently? There would be no difference.

Reflect this week on the people who shared the gospel of Jesus with you. What did they say? How did their lives reinforce the message of God's great love? Seek to use their examples as inspiration as you share the grace and good news of Jesus with those you encounter each day.

If we are caught up in the hype and hysteria of the current news cycle, facebook status or town gossip, we will be distracted from the great commission to share the Good News. Last week, Christians around the world celebrated victory in the death of Jesus and his resurrection. Good News! Jesus conquered the grave and death in dominating fashion and won the eternal battle. No longer are we separated from God by our sin if we accept and believe in his son Jesus Christ. Now, what will you do with him and his Good News? Will you tell the world about him?

The early Christians loved to open their homes for meals with others. In the coming weeks, make two invitations. First, invite a few Christians over for a meal and a time of sharing life and faith.

Second, invite a few people you care about who are not followers of Jesus and have them share a meal with you and some of your Christian friends.

Today's Sunday Servants:

Acolytes: Kayla & Mack Walter; Power Point: Jesse Lieser Create & Run; Nursery: Jennifer & Zoe Comstock; Ushers: Bob & Barb Rickard, Max & Judy Keller; Fellowship Coffee: Bob & Barb Rickard, Larry & Berrie Glick, Bob & Becky Young; Greeters: Wally & Judy Reidel; Children's Lesson: Dusty Johnson

April 19 Sunday Servants:

Liturgists: Lorna Muller; Acolytes: Levi Daniel & Davis Webb; Power Point: Carmen Hoffman Create & Run; Nursery: Roberta Gesling; Ushers: Bob & Barb Rickard, Max & Judy Keller; Fellowship Coffee: Judy Ohrt, Max & Judy Keller, Gail Fleming; Greeters: Larry & Berrie Glick; Children's Lesson: Gail Fleming

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Procedures:

Keith Wood @ St. Luke's
Judy Keller & Ike Ward @ Mercy-IC
Connie Smith @ Mercy-CR

Healing: Phyllis Behrens, Wanda Berner, Joe Cheshareck (G.Fleming's bro-in-law,) Darlene (Marjorie Stonerook's sister), Jerry Ferguson, Berrie Glick, Sean Hannes, Jean Heil (Brian's mom), Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Calvin Kuehl, Ted Licht, Gerry Reeve, Kiaya Rickard-Urban, Erica Shumaker, Ray Steinberg, Gary Taylor, Alberta Wagaman, Carolyn Wiggins (S. Gould's sis), and others under care or treatment.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Mike Eisele & Dustin Morden who started new jobs April 6!
Erma Lyle who had a great fall and is healing at Cedar Manor for a time
Griffin Tauke (2nd gr) No. Liberty & Carsten Kime (Tipton 1st gr) & families as these little guys face cancer
Persons/people persecuted for religious convictions
Persons uprooted due to "natural" and/or "human" disaster; and those who are called to help.
Families struggling with the impact of drug and alcohol abuse or other addiction.
Couples/Families searching for the way forward.
Persons & families of incarceration;
Persons in employment limbo;
In Treatment: Wally Reidel, Barb Knack (B. Cummin's sis), Melissa Bliss (wife of D. Cartwright's nephew),
Hospice/Palliative Care: Esther Burns (Patti Seydel's mom), Wayne Eisele (Mike's father, in W'loo), Elmer Flory, Mabel Lamp, Henry Wiskus,
Armed Services: Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Kyle Marchik, Corey Ormsby

Attendance: 7:00am Service 66 10:30
Worship 154, Sunday School 48, General Fund \$4614.05, Facility Use \$50.00, Upper Room \$1.02, Apportionments \$10.00, Youth Event \$475.10, Copper Kettle \$69.59, Easter Pool \$848.00, Missions Breakfast \$208.00, Grand Total \$6275.76

This Week:

Sun. 4/12: 8:30am Choir Kids (Sanctuary), 9:00am Sunday School (All Ages), 10:30am Worship, 2:30pm KFC (DR), 6:00pm Dominoes

Mon. 4/13: Pastor @ District Meeting, 6:30pm Girls Scouts Daisty Trp #4218 (DR), 6:30 Xn Chaos, 6:45pm Mission Team Meeting (WR)

Wed. 4/15: Pastor @ Bible Study, 6:00pm Youth Grp, 6:00pm GIG (113), 6:00pm GIG (Johnson's), 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary), 8:00pm Abigail Circle (DR/K)

Thurs. 4/16: Newsletter Articles Due, 8:30am Pastor @ ECI, 10:00am Pastor @ HCI (Springville UMC), 10:00am GIG (113), 6:30pm Girl Scout Trp #5302 (111), 6:30pm Girl Scout Troup #8719 (DR), 6:30pm Trustees (WR)

Fri. 4/17: Pastor on Vacation, 1:30pm Mary Martha Circle

Sat. 4/18: Pastor on Vacation, 8:30am Mission Leader Training, Private Party 12:30-5:00pm (DR)

Sun. 4/19: Work Trip Registration Deadline, Guest Preacher Pastor Ed Elliot, Pastor on Vacation, 8:30am Choir Kids, 9:00am Sunday School (All Ages), 10:30am Worship.