

February 15, 2015

## THE QUEEN OF BEAUTY AND COURAGE



### 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  
Alice Ann Gallagher - Chancel Choir Director  
Sylvia Gould - Accompanist  
Dee Wallace - Choir Kids Accompanist

Greg Brown - Director of Xn Chaos  
Don Griffith - Custodian  
Denise Cartwright - Choir Kids Director  
Jamie Bahr - Xn Chaos Keyboard

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## Chapter 20 of THE STORY

10:30 a.m.

### “The Queen of Beauty & Courage”

*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

Lighting of the Candles

Ringling of the Bell

### \* PRAISE

“O Worship the King”

No. 73

*(Male voices on vs. 2; leader read/pray vs. 3; female voices vs. 4)*

### \* THE NICENE CREED

(Hymnal page 880)

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

Call to Prayer

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

No. 2193

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

### \* A JESUS STORY

John 16:31-33

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

### CHILDREN'S LESSON

Dusty Johnson

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

### ACT OF PRAISE

“The Greatest Gift Is Love”

Chancel Choir

### HEBREW BIBLE READING

Esther 9:26-28

### MESSAGE

**“Memory: Blessing; or Curse?”**

[or, “Life in a Blended Family!”]

### GIVING TITHES and OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

“You Are My All In All”

Chancel Choir

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

\* A PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**God of Transformation, we have each had our holy encounters with you. The warmth of those moments may cause us to retreat from the world; just hang out with you. We know that is our longing, not yours. So as we offer our gifts this morning, remind us our mission begins as we leave this place. We pray boldly in Jesus' name. Amen.**

\* SENDING FORTH

L: What we have seen, **we must proclaim.**  
L: what we have received, **we must give.**  
L: What is ours, **must be shared.**  
L: May the grace of the God who creates, redeems, and sustains be ever with you,  
and may you be aware of God's presence.

**P: Amen.**

\* MARCHING SONG "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" No. 400  
(vs. 3 w/o accompaniment)

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

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**Preparation for next week:**

Malachi (Short book of only four chapters; read the whole thing!) rebuked the people for giving sick animals as their offering to God and pointed out that their political leaders would never put up with such halfhearted gifts. Reflect on your own giving patterns. Ask yourself:

Am I giving God my first and best?  
Are there ways I throw God my leftovers?  
How could I learn to give with greater joy and commitment?  
Is there any way I am robbing God by keeping for myself what is rightly his?

Nehemiah reminded the people of Israel of the importance of celebrating and feasting together. Plan a meal with some Christian friends for the express purpose of rejoicing in God's goodness. (Hey! It could be the Valentine Dinner tonight!) Read Nehemiah 8:1-13 and let the conversation at the table focus on how God has been good and why God is worthy of our worship and praise.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Jim Broffitt of the Gideons will be here to share about their work placing Bibles!

**February 22 Sunday Servants:**

Liturgist: Kathy Houstman; Acolytes: Nicholas Eicher & Davis Webb; Power Point: Comstock family, Create & run; Video: Ruel Wehde; Nursery: Cheryl Person; Ushers: Bob & Glenda Holets, Wally & Judy Reidel; Fellowship Coffee: Jerry & Sylvia Ferguson, Rick & Judy Rouse, Gail Fleming; Greeters: Rick & Heidi Schumacher; Children's Lesson: Pastor Paul

**March 1 Sunday Servants:**

Acolytes: Meredith Coppess & Avary Calonder; Power Point: Brian Heil-Create & Run; Nursery: Chris & Kiley Schultz; Ushers: Karen & Heather Strefling, Kim Cross & Twyla Hein; Fellowship Coffee: Jane Moen & Paul Frederiksen, Kim Cross & Twyla Hein, Steve & Cheryl Person; Greeters: Tom & Mary Ehresman; Children's Lesson: Penny & Sara Webb

**PRAYERS****Hospitalized/Procedures:**

Keith Wood @ St. Luke's  
Kathleen Trombley @ Michigan (Colette Crock's mother)

**Healing:** Joyce Abbot (Candi Duesenberry's mom), Wanda Berner, Joe Cheshareck (G.Fleming's bro-in-law,) Darlene (Marjorie Stonerook's sister), Wayne Eisele (Mike's father), Jerry Gallagher, Dorothy Gerdner (Dee Wallace's mom), Berrie Glick, Jean Heil (Brian's mom), Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Calvin Kuehl, Erma Lyle, Ken McKay, Edna Miller (J Ohrt's sister), Jim Shontz, Charlotte Wagaman (Bert's g'dau.), Gary Taylor, Alberta Wagaman, Carolyn Wiggins (S. Gould's sis), and others under care or treatment.

**Prayers for those in Life Transitions:**

May God's peace that passes understanding be upon the family and friends of Travis Wallace, nephew of Roberta Gesling.

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:** Elmer Flory, Mabel Lamp, Henry Wiskus

**Armed Services:** Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Sean Hannes, Kyle Marchik, Corey Ormsby

**Attendance:** Worship - 110; Sunday School - xx. General Fund \$3,032., Caring Ministry \$343., Missons-One Great Hour \$80, Copper Kettle \$45.61, Misc. \$71 Grand Total \$3,571.61

**This week:**

**Sun. 2/22:** 1st Sunday of Lent, One Great Hour of Sharing, 9am Sunday School, 10:30am Worship,

**Mon. 2/23:** 6:30pm Xn Chaos

**Tue. 2/24:** 9am Pastor @ Cluster, 2pm Prairie Hills Program, 6pm Daisy Troop #4231 (Rm111)

**Wed. 2/25:** Meeting of the Holy Folders, 10am Pastor @ Bible Study, 1pm Confirmation Early Out (Dining Rm) 1:30pm Bible Study (Wesley Rm), 6pm G.I.G (Rm113), 6pm G.I.G. (Johnson Home), 7pm Chancel Choir

**Thu. 2/26:** 10am Pastor @ HCI (Springville UMC), 10am G.I.G.(Rm113), 4pm ECI Mtg (WR), 6:30pm Priscilla Circle (DR/K),

**Sat. 2/28:** 11am Shared Blessings Meal (DR/K), 4pm Private Party

**Sun. 3/1:** 2nd Sunday of Lent, 8:30am Choir Kids (Sanctuary), 9am Confirmation, 9am G.I.G., 9am Sunday School, 10:30am Worship, 2-5pm Shane Claiborne@IA Wesleyan, 4:45pm Haiti Mission Mtg (GP)