

March 8, 2015



JESUS' MINISTRY BEGINS

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

607 Lynn St. - Tipton, IA 52772; 563-886-2331

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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 23 of THE STORY

10:30 a.m.

“Jesus’ Ministry Begins”

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

“How Can I Keep from Singing”
Ringing of the Bell

Christian Chaos

SETTING THE STAGE (fr. The Irresistible Revolution p. 102)
“Jesus never says to the poor, ‘Come find the church,’ but he says to those of us in the church, ‘Go into the world and find the poor, hungry, homeless, imprisoned,’ Jesus in his disguises.”
(Tony Campolo)

PRAISE & PRAYER
“Fairest Lord Jesus”
“Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul’s glory, joy, and crown.”

No. 189

“Here I am, Jesus. What do you want to do with me?”

JOYS AND CONCERNS... and the Power of Persistent Intercession!
Call to Prayer
Prayers of the People
The Lord’s Prayer

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”
No. 349

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITING I Corinthians 13:1-7

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

Dusty Johnson

ACT OF PRAISE
“In Christ Alone”
Christian Chaos

* A JESUS STORY
L: This is the Word of our Lord.

Mark 1:9-22
Response: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "The Temptation to Stay Within the Boundaries"

GIVING TITHES and OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Choir Kids

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

* A PRAYER (unison)

God of grace, though we know we do not deserve it, you love us much. We tend to give gifts from what remains after being lavish on ourselves. You gave your only Son, so that in believing, we would have eternal life. Multiply our small gifts that through them hearts that have been warmed and softened will be encouraged... to trust. Change us, the givers, in the process. Amen.

* SENDING FORTH Deuteronomy 6:4-9

L: Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone.

P: You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.

L: Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

P: Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead,

L: and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

ALL: May it be so.

* MARCHING SONG "I Have Decided To Follow Jesus"

No. 2129

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 "Come Set Your Rule (Build Your Kingdom Here)" Christian Chaos

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"One of the things that has fascinated me about the days of the early church is how those who abandoned homes and possessions to follow Jesus lives in such union with those who opened their homes to them and the poor. Gerd Theissen calls the two groups the "wandering charismatics" and the "local sympathizers." The wanderers were traveling apostles and relied on the support of the sympathizers. Both shaped the early church. They did not look down on each other. The sympathizers did not write the wanderers off as radicals or freaks, and the wanderers did not judge the sympathizers as sellouts." (Irresistible Revolution p. 130)

As we consider the call of Jesus, "No Ordinary Man" chapter 24, we are each challenged to clarify our own manner of discipleship; and affirm that of others!

Today's Sunday Servants:

Liturgist: Daniel Family; Acolytes: Danica Rippentrop & Hanna Schmidt; Power Point: Alec Heil, Create & run; Video: Jane Moen; Nursery: Vicki Daniel; Ushers: Karen & Heather Strefling, Kim Cross & Twyla Hein; Fellowship Coffee: Ron & Lois Salmonson, Deb Eisele, Dawn Spickerman; Greeters: Allan Charette & Deb Conant ; Children's Lesson: Dusty Johnson

March 15 Sunday Servants:

Acolytes: Jacob Boedeker & Ian Spangler; Power Point: Becky Young-Create, Jesse Lieser-Run; Nursery: Mary Jo and Alec Heil; Ushers: Karen & Heather Strefling, Kim Cross & Twyla Hein; Fellowship Coffee: Abigail Potato Buffet; Greeters: Ken & Deb McKay; Children's Lesson: Deanna Licht

PRAYERS

Healing: Joyce Abbot (Candi Duesenberry's mom), Kathy Carson (J Reidel's sis), Joe Cheshareck (G.Fleming's bro-in-law,) Darlene (Marjorie Stonerook's sister), Melissa Davis, Jean Heil (Brian's mom), Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Calvin Kuehl, Ken McKay, Edna Miller (J Ohrt's sister), Rev. Gene Miller, Marvin Miller, Jim Shontz, Charlotte Wagaman (Bert's g'dau.), Gary Taylor, Carolyn Wiggins (S. Gould's sis), Keith Wood, and others under care or treatment.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Families and friends of Vesta Kern.

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, Carol Cartwright

(Jack's sis,) Barb Knack (B. Cummin's sis),

Hospice/Palliative Care: Elmer Flory, Henry Wiskus

Armed Services: Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Sean Hannes, Billy Hoffman, Kyle Marchik, Corey Ormsby, Mike Ploeger (McKinney's Neph-

Attendance: Worship - 107; Sunday School - 83. General Fund \$2,958.00, Apportionments \$10.00, Copper Kettle \$38.31, Grand Total \$3,156.31

This Week:

Sun. 3/8: 3rd Sunday of Lent, DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS, 8:30am Choir Kids (Sanctuary), 9:00am G.I.G. (BR), 9:00am Sunday School (All Ages), 10:30am Worship (Snctry), 2:30pm KFC (DR), 6:00pm Dominoes (DR)

Mon. 3/9: 6:30pm Xn Chaos

Tue. 3/10: Endowment Deadline

Wed. 3/11: 10:00am Pastor @ Bible Study, 1:00pm Confirmation Early Out (DR), 1:30pm Bible Study (WR), 4:30pm Grief Group (113), **6:00pm G.I.G (Johnson's), 6:00pm G.I.G.** (113), 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary), 7:30pm Leadership Council (WR)

Thu. 3/12: 10:00am G.I.G (113), 10:00 am Senior Park Program, 12:00pm Pastor at TMA

Sat. 3/14: 11:00am Shared Blessings Meal

Sun. 3/15: 4th Sunday of Lent, Scholarship Deadline, 8:30am Choir Kids (Sanctuary), 9:00am G.I.G (BR), 9:00am Sunday School (All Ages), 10:30am Worship, 11:30am Abigail Potato Buffet