

<u>Mission Statement:</u> 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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Dee Wallace - Choir Kids Accompanist

May 17, 2015 10:30 a.m.

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 preschool 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."

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 Ringing of the Bell

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: From comfortable pews, from tricycle seats, from easy chairs in front of TVs:

P: God gathers us in, giving us the words with which to proclaim the gospel.

L: At kitchen sinks, at laptops and blackboards, at nursing stations:

P: Christ calls us to share in serving all creation.

L: In communities gathered to pray, in memories of those who served, in families grilling in the backyard:

P: The Holy Spirit fills us with God's joy.

* PRAISE "Jesus Shall Reign" No. 157

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) & WORDS OF PARDON

God of truth, you have spoken your Word to us and in us But we have not listened to you.

We have not been mindful of your presence, or attentive to your voice.

Have mercy on us, forgive us, and heal us.

Speak your Word in us now, and create us anew.

We open ourselves to your Word. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS... and the Power of Persistent Intercession! GRADUATING HS SENIORS:

"And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor."

Amanda Amosson, daughter of Randy & Chris Amosson; May 15 from Dubuque Senior HS.

Josh Eiler, son of Linda Boots and "uncle" Steve Eiler Derek Nebergall, son of Lonnie and Robyn Nebergall

Also recognized: Ulrika Malmrus, exchange student host family: Murry & Renee Mente

Call to Prayer "Where the Spirit of the Lord Is" No. 2119
Prayers of the People "The Lord's Prayer"

* INSTRUCTIONS FROM JESUS

Luke 24:44-53

CHILDREN'S LESSON

Jesse Lieser

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

ACT OF PRAISE

"A Living Sacrifice"

Chancel Choir

A LETTER TO GOD-LOVERS

Acts 1:1-11

MESSAGE

"Nobody Saw Nothing"

GIVING TITHES and OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

"If You Believe and I Believe"

Chancel Choir

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

* A PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Dear God, we are astounded at your great generosity toward the whole world. You did not hold back even your Son so that we would have eternal life! Let us find joy by giving, joyously of self and stuff, toward the ministries of Your Church for the sake of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

* SENDING FORTH

L: From the comfort of this place, to the discomfort of discipleship,

P: we will go to serve your people, Loving God.

L: Lifted from our own brokenness, healed from our narrow experience of love,

P: we will go to wrap others in your grace, Jesus our Brother.

L: Listening to the stories of the ignored,

learning the language of our newest neighbors,

P: Spirit of Neighbors, we go -

to discover the truth you share in every moment. Amen.

* MARCHING SONG

"Christ Is Risen"

No. 307

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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Reminder: If you go for a drive after worship today, you might head toward Dubuque where Grandview UMC is hosting a reception 2:00-4:00 p.m. for Alec Amosson, who graduated yesterday from the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary with his Masters of Divinity degree.

Pastor Paul is taking some days of vacation through May 27th. If you have a situation calling for spiritual support, contact the church office (mornings) or Lay Leaders Bob Cummins (886-6207) or Kathy Houstman (886-6239.)

Next week, former member Terry Hoy will be preaching!

Today's Sunday Servants

Liturgist: Karen Strefling. Acolytes: Adam Heil & Nicholas Eicher. Power Point: Alec Heil-Create & Run. Nursery: Karen Anderson. Users: Judy Ohrt & Vivian Shontz, Bob & Ginny Cummins. Greeters: Jason & Kim Walter family. Fellowship Coffee: H.S. Graduate Sunday. Children's Lesson: Jesse Leiser.

May 24 Sunday Servants

Liturgist: Melinda Stonebraker. Alcolytes: Volunteers. Power Point: Carmen Hoffman Create & Run. Nursery: Mary & Chris McKinney. Ushers: Ron & Lois Salmonson, Bib & Ginny Cummins. Greeters: Ruel & Jan Wehde. Fellowship Coffee: Glenn & Ellen Fear. Children's Lesson: Dusty Johnson. Flowers: Judy Keller.

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Procedures:

Keith Wood @ St. Luke's

Healing: Phyllis Behrens, Wanda Berner (Kim White's mother), Joe Cheshareck (G.Fleming's bro-in-law,) Darlene (Marjorie Stonerook's sister), Jerry Ferguson, Berrie Glick, Jean Heil (Brian's mom), Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Calvin Kuehl, Ted Licht, Erma Lyle, Judy Reidel, Erica Shumaker, Ray Steinberg, Gary Taylor, Bob Young (scheduled for 6/9), and others under care or treatment.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Charles Linn is at Cedar Manor for a period of rehabilitation. Prayers for Janice, his wife, and family.

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: Judy Keller, Wally Reidel, Barb Knack (B. Cummin's sis)

Hospice/Palliative Care: Connie Back (Roberta Gesling's mom), Esther Burns (Patti Seydel's mom), Wayne Eisele (Mike's father, in W'loo), Elmer Flory, Mabel Lamp, Richard Wallick (Jeff's father), Henry Wiskus,

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

Worhip Attendance 119, Sunday School 60, General Fund \$3,167.00, Upper Room \$2.00, The Story \$10.00, VBS \$5.00, Copper Kettle \$47.07, Mission Work Trip \$75.00, Mission Rummage Sale \$46.90. Grand Total \$3,352.97.
Toward Little Friends Preschool: \$1,070 for a total of \$2,575. Only \$1,525 remains!

This Week

Sun. 5/17: High School Graduate Recognition, Last Day of Sunday School, VBS Sneak Peak, 10:30am Worship.

Mon. 5/18: Pastor on Vacation thru 5/28, 4:30pm Grief Group

Wed. 5/20: Newsletter Arti-

cles Due, 6:00pm GIG (113), 6:00pm GIG (Johnsons), 7:00pm Chancel Choir, 8:00pm Abigail Circle.

Thurs. 5/21: 10:00am GIG, 6:30pm Girl Scout Troop #8719, 6:30pm Trustees

Fri. 5/22: Last Day of Little Friends Preschool

Sat. 5/23: 11:00am Shared

Sun. 5/24: 1st day of Pentecost, Memorial Sunday, Terry

Hoy doing the Service,

Blessings Meal