

World Communion Sunday

October 2, 2016



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30am Worship Service

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Mission Statement:

“To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

Welcome visitors – Whether you’re here with friends or relatives, or if you’re here by a mysterious, guiding hand, **welcome!** 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. If you’re new to First UMC, we do have print materials on the table at the back of the main level of the worship center... help yourself 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; a special children’s time, “From a Child’s Point of View,” and children’s bulletins are 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 to have an usher provide an escort.

Ask an usher about using a **hearing assist device**; or for a **large print Hymnal**.

Inside this bulletin is a an 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 Gathering Place before worship and in the Dining Room at the conclusion of worship. Everyone is welcome!!

God Gathers Us Together

* *Indicates to Rise in body or in spirit.*

INTROIT (Let this be a time when you prepare your heart for worship.) Chancel Choir

PRELUDE Becky Young, Organ

Lighting of the Candles & Ringing of the Bell (The Light of Christ enters our worship)

WELCOME

GREETING YOUR NEIGHBOR

* SONG OF PRAISE "For the Beauty of the Earth" No. 92

* CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Jesus said, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations."

P: As followers of Christ, we seek to be a disciple and also to make disciples.

L: It is important to worship, pray, and also spend quiet time with Christ,

P: So that we will be deeply rooted and branching out.

L: Beyond worship, we will therefore go and serve,

P: Bearing fruit as we use our gifts, share our resources, and build relationships for Jesus Christ.

FROM A CHILD'S POINT of VIEW (Children's Lesson) Pastor Jenny

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

Use this time to complete your small insert to be put in the offering during communion.)

ACT OF PRAISE "There is a Balm in Gilead" Chancel Choir

Prayer and Reflection

INVITATION: Leader: Jesus said: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

CONFESSION AND PARDON: Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and who seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us. Help us to delight in Your will, walk in Your ways, and glorify Your Holy Name. Amen.

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

PRAYER SONG

“Gather Us In” Vs. 2, 4

No. 2236

Proclaiming the Word

* EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 12: 1-8

RESPONSE: The Inspired Word of God for the people of God. **P: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

“Discipleship Pathway: Bearing Fruit”

Pastor Jenny

HOLY COMMUNION

See Insert

In the name of Christ, all persons are invited to participate in the meal!

There are a variety of breads to choose from-help yourself from the basket provided. As you come forward you may place any offerings you might have in the containers which are located at the front toward the outside of the platform.

Communion Song

“Bread of the World”

Chancel Choir

* LITANY OF UNITY AND GRATITUDE

See Insert

Sent Forth to Serve

* SONG OF SENDING

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

No. 431

(The Light of Christ goes before us into the world)

*** BLESSING & SENDING**

L: Giver of Life, having gathered at the Lord's Table, in unity with all around the world, we depart desiring to stay connected to You and to one another.

P: Rooted in Christ, branching out, and bearing fruit, we go forth with love and hope in our hearts. Amen.

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

Becky Young, Organ

Lunch is offered in the Dining Room at the conclusion of worship. Everyone is welcome!

Jenny Seylar - Pastor

Greg Brown - Director of Xn Chaos

Melinda Stonebraker - Administrative Ministries Coordinator

Don Griffith - Custodian

Alice Ann Gallagher - Chancel Choir Director

Denise Cartwright - Choir Kids Director

Sylvia Gould - Accompanist

Jess Goodenow-Dir. Little Friends

Dee Wallace - Choir Kids Accompanist

Megan Coppess-Teacher, LFP

October 2 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Morgan & Logan Lanning
Children's Lesson: Pastor Jenny
Liturgist: Pastor Jenny
Ushers: Missions Team
Greeters: Larry & Kathy Houstman
PowerPoint: Brian Heil
Fellowship Coffee: Missions Soup Lunch
Nursery: Steven Licht
Communion Steward: Missions Team

October 9 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Kayla & Mackenzie Walter
Children's Lesson: Gail Fleming
Liturgist: Kim Walter
Ushers: Bob & Becky Young; Jeff & Mary McKinney
Greeters: Bob & Ginny Cummins
Nursery: Kris Clark
PowerPoint: Becky Young create; Kelley Lieser run
Fellowship Coffee: Jason & Kim Walter; Cole & Jess
Goodenow

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Procedures: Ivan Anderson, Carsten Kime

Healing: Allan Charette, Thelma Elijah (Jerry's mom), Jerry Ferguson, Frances Ford, Marvin Ford, Donna Gault, Richard Graff (Bruce's dad), Arlene Hein, Rex Idlewine, Erma Lyle, Lynn McIntosh, Jeff McKinney, Taylor Miller (Sherry Willey's granddaughter), Cheryl Person, Mike Smith, Pam Spear, Dawn Spickermann, Jim Thiele (L.Salmonson's bro), Verla (Kandi Graff's aunt), Alberta Wagaman, and others under care or treatment.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

All those affected by flooding and those who are called to help Comstock family
Deb and Mike Eisele as they move to Minnesota
For smooth adoption proceedings for Megan & Emily Graff (Bruce & Kandi's g'children)
Couples/Families searching for the way forward.
Persons & families of incarceration
Persons in employment limbo
Families struggling with the impact of drug and alcohol abuse or other addiction.
Persons uprooted due to "natural" and/or "human" disaster; and those who are called to help.
Persons/people persecuted for religious convictions.

In Treatment: Linda (Kay Miller's sis), Dan Conrad

Hospice/Palliative Care: Joe Cheshareck (Gail Fleming's bro-in-law), Bernice Eisele (Mike's mother) @ St. Cloud, MN

Armed Services: Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Kyle Marchik, Corey Ormsby, Chris Paul (Nicole Royer's husband), Kaitlyn McKinney

Sept. 25:

Sunday School 102, \$13.50;
Worship 120
General Fund \$1,778.00
Missions \$25.00
Shared Blessings \$6.00
Upper Room: \$1.00
Copper Kettle: \$56.03
Grand Total: \$1,866.03

This Week:

Sun. Oct 2: 10:30am
Worship, 11:35am Missions
Soup Lunch, 3:00pm Worship
@ Cedar Manor
Mon. Oct 3: 6:45pm Missions
Meeting
Tue. Oct 4: Pastor Jenny out
of office, 1:00pm GIG
Wed. Oct 5: 5:30-8:30pm
Youth Group, 6:30pm GIG,
7:00pm Choir
Thu. Oct 6: 9:30am
Communion @ Cedar Manor,
10:00am GIG, 5:30 Leadership
Dev, 6:30pm Chaos Rehearsal
Sat. Oct 8: 11:00am Shared
Blessings Meal
Sun. Oct 9: 7:45am Prayer,
8:30am Choir Kids, 9:00am
Sunday School, 10:30am
Worship with Baptism, 6:00pm
Dominoes