



Waterloo First Weekly Schedule
Office Hours: Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 1:00 pm, (or by appointment)

Sunday, August 9
9:30 am- Worship
10:30 am- Fellowship- Birthday/ Anniversary Sunday
12:00 pm- Lunch at Le Christopher’s

Monday, August 10
6:00 am- Youth Trip to Colorado
9:00 am- Getting Ahead Interviews

Tuesday, Augst 11
Herald Deadlinge
10:00 am- Prayer Walk & Coffee at Belmont Park

Wednesday, August 12
9:00 am- Worship on Waterloo Public Access 17
10:00 am- Church Row Structural Safetly Mtg.

Thursday, August 13
9:00 am- Getting Ahead Interviews
9:30 am– Food Nook

Friday, August 14 *Office Closed*
7:00 pm- Worship on Waterloo Public Access 17

Saturday, August 15
8:00 am- United Methodist Men at Ansborough HyVee
9:30 am- Church Row Neighborhood Assoc. Mtg.
3:00 pm- Worship on Cedar Falls Public Access 15
Youth Returning

Sunday, August 16
9:30 am- Worship
10:45 am- Fellowship



The **United Methodist Church** forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, **love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously** in local communities and worldwide connections.

Who We Are
The **United Methodist Church** is a worldwide connection of approximately 10 million members in Africa, Asia, Europe and the United States. We are the person next door, the church on the other side of the country, and the worshipping community across the globe. Together, we share a legacy of living as disciples of Jesus Christ, sharing God's love both in what we say and how we serve our neighbors. We are the people of The United Methodist Church .

#BeUMC
The **United Methodist Church** is founded on a Wesleyan theology of grace, anchored in Scripture, and based in the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and the continuing movement of the Holy Spirit.

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Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
WATERLOO FIRST
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Since 1846

August 9, 2026, 9:30 am
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Welcome! We are happy to have you with us today!

WELCOME Rev. Hojin Shin & Arlene Wright

PRELUDE “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” Arr. D. Wagner

OPENING PRAYER

*** OPENING HYMN** "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" No. 509
“Build My Life” Pat Barrett, et al

MOMENT OF PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Genesis 37:24 & 39: 2, Psalm 34: 19, Matthew 14: 22-33

SERMON "From Broken Places: Even in the Pit" Rev. Hojin Shin

OFFERING “His Eye Is On the Sparrow” Arr. M. McDonald
Doxology No. 95

***HYMN** "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" No. 462

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Cornet Voluntary” J. Travers

Susan Feltman, guest organist
Ollie Thurman, song leader

*Please stand if you are able



ALTAR FLOWERS Sign up for altar flowers on the bulletin board in VonLackum lounge. Dedicate the flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion. Flowers are \$37. Let Sally know what you would like printed.



GUESTS, VISITORS & MEMBERS Please sign the attendance registration located in the pews. Please include your email address. Then pass it back to your neighbor and introduce yourself to each other. Thank you.



HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES
VENUCAST™ ASISTIVE LISTENING DEVICE- AVAILABLE

Are available, please ask an usher. At the end of the service, please turn them off and return them to an usher.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF WATERLOO FIRST?

If you would like to become a member of Waterloo First United Methodist Church, we would love to have you! Just check the box “wish to join this church” on the attendance sheet or talk to Pastor Hojin. You may also call the office at 319-235-7088.



SIGN UP FOR EMAIL UPDATES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Use the QR code to sign up for Pastor Hojin’s weekly email and prayer requests for our congregation.



FELLOWSHIP Please join us in Hartman Hall following the service for fellowship. Sign up to host fellowship

and celebrate a special occasion on the bulletin board in VonLackum Lounge.



SUNDAY SCHOOL We will see you on September 13, when Sunday School resumes.



SCRIP CARDS FOR EVERYDAY!

Do you eat at Panera Bread or Papa Murphy’s? Do you shop at Target? We have these cards in our inventory. It’s very easy to purchase a card from Kris Stewart at fellowship and use the card when you shop. It doesn’t cost you any extra money.

Check out our card inventory during Fellowship time. The money from the cards adds up for the church. With your continued support, we can do more for Waterloo First UMC. Order your cards now!



180 ACTS OF LOVE: One of the ways we will celebrate our 180th year is by measuring our impact on the community. Please submit all your volunteer hours to the church office (email works) and let us know the impact you are making in the community. We will keep track of the hours and celebrate every time we hit 180 hours. Don’t forget to turn in your hours! Current hours- over 2,633.!



GIVING Leave your checkbook and cash at home. You can now give through our web site on a secure page. Use this for special offerings or your regular pledge. Use the QR code to connect. You can be certain of the confidentiality of your information is safe and secure.



CAT Survey(Congregational Assessment Tool) WE WANT TO KNOW YOUR STORY!

As you know, we recently agreed to move forward with HolyCow! Consulting to help the Iowa Methodist Conference plan the future of the Methodist Church. The first step is to conduct a congregational assessment. This assessment will provide a clear picture of who we are as a church and what directions are most important for our future. The tool we’ll use is the Congregation Assessment Tool (CAT), which will provide key indicators of our congregational health along with areas of challenge and potential growth. It will help us to collect and understand the range of views that exist at Waterloo First UMC and the possibilities, willingness, capacity, and energy for moving our ministry into the future.

If you have provided us with a current email address, in approximately ten days, you will receive a unique web link to complete the assessment online. The assessment should be taken from 8/23/36 to 9/10/26. If it helps, you can have a family member or friend assist you in doing this. If you are unable to take the assessment online, please have someone stop by the office, and we will provide a paper copy for you along with a self-addressed stamped envelope.

NOTE: If there is only one email address for all members of your household, it may be tempting to have

one person take the survey on behalf of the family. However, please be sure your spouse and all young adults living in your home have an opportunity to complete the survey. INDIVIDUAL INPUT is key to our gaining insight into overall perceptions and experiences.

Please set aside enough time to answer all the questions. This will take about 25 minutes. All survey responses are strictly anonymous.

Thank you for your willingness to be a part of this congregational assessment and for helping to build the future of Waterloo First.

If you have questions, please contact Prudy Klinger at prudyklinger@gmail.com or 319-230-8316, or the church office at 319-235-7088.



ORDER YOUR 180TH CELEBRATION T-SHIRTS TODAY

Prudy Klinger & Mary Schollenberger will be selling t-shirts with the Waterloo First Logo on them. You can order crew neck or a v-neck. The shirts are \$20. The shirts will be available to order for the next two weeks, at fellowship or in the office. It is our hope that everyone buys a shirt and wears it to the 180th Celebration on September 20th



180th Hot Dog Celebration August 30th

We will celebrate our 180th Anniversary with 180 hot dogs in the church parking lot after worship. We will invite the neighborhood and have a bouncy house. Help us celebrate and welcome our neighbors!