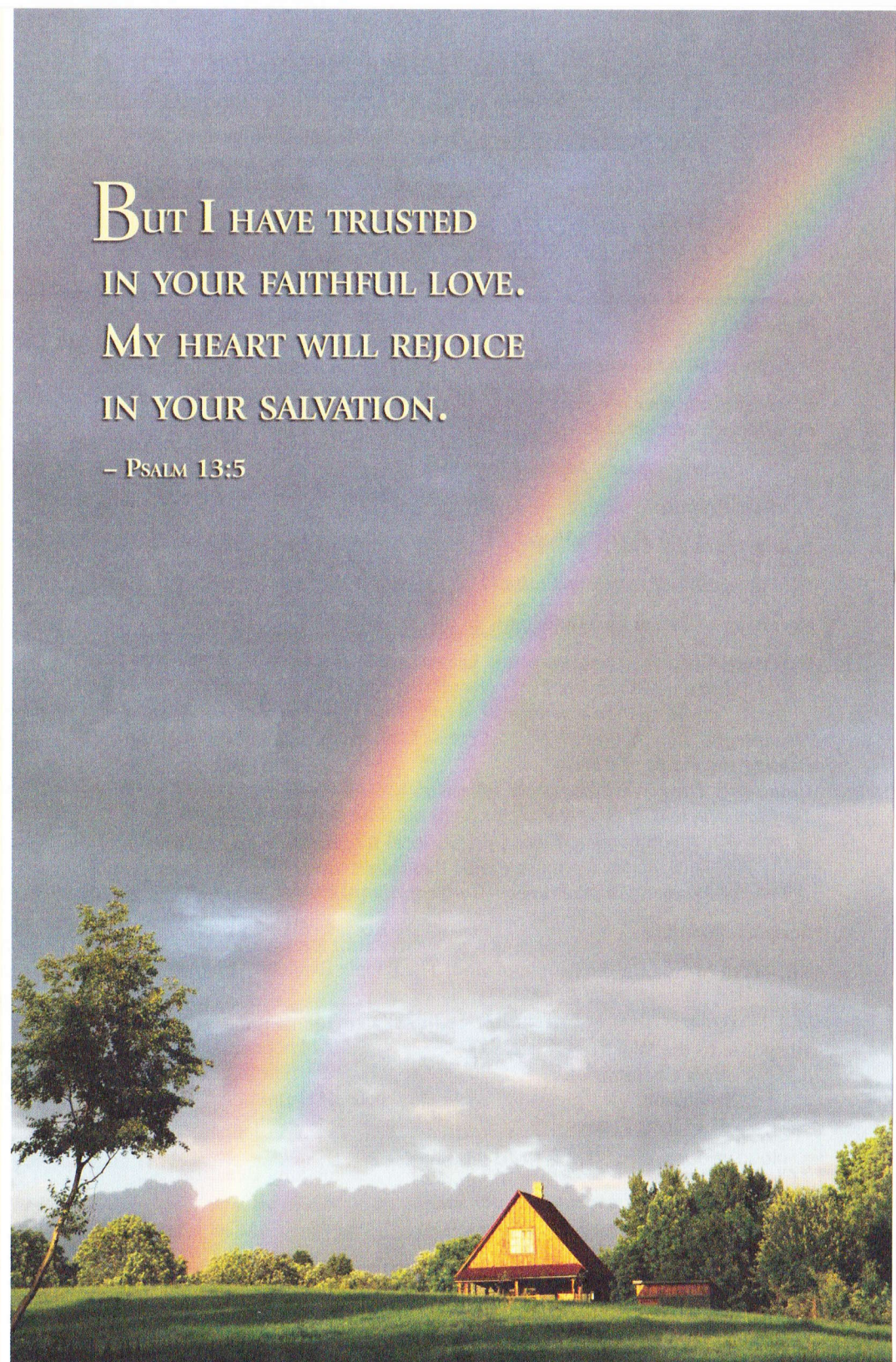


BUT I HAVE TRUSTED  
IN YOUR FAITHFUL LOVE.  
MY HEART WILL REJOICE  
IN YOUR SALVATION.

– PSALM 13:5





# First United Methodist Church

Sunday, July 2, 2017 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Our Statement of Faith: Jesus, Our Rock of Salvation, Our Life Springs Eternal

Faith Theme 2017

**HEALTHY THINGS GROW—GROWING THINGS CHANGE—CHANGE IS A CHALLENGE  
CHALLENGE FORCES US TO TRUST GOD—TRUSTING GOD MAKES US HEALTHY—  
HEALTHY THINGS GROW!**

**Prelude**

Sue Milligan

**Welcome and Announcements**

*Please register your presence with us this morning, then pass the book to the person sitting next to you. Before the offertory, tear off the sheet and place it in the offering plate. Thank You!*

*Song Leader: Morgen Townsend*

*Acolyte: Nicholas Griffin*

**Patriotic Prelude**

Insert

**\*Congregational Call to Worship**

“Trust and Obey”

UMH 467

**\* Congregational Hymn of Praise**

“White as Snow”

Insert

**Receiving of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory Chorus: (Congregation Is Encouraged to Join In)** “A Brand New Man”

*I'm a new creation, I'm a brand new man. Old things are passed away, I've been born again.*

*More than a conqueror, that's what I am, I'm a new creation, I'm a brand new man.*

**\*Doxology**

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

**Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Children's Time** *Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world, red and yellow, black and white. They are precious in His sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world.*

**Joys and Concerns**

**A Time of Prayer – Silent Prayer—Congregational Prayer**

**Scripture Reading**

Romans 6:12-23 (p. 917)

Cherie Rannels

The Word of God for the People of God: The People Respond **“Thanks Be to God!”**

**Morning Message**

“And The Winner Is?”

Rev. Jimmy Chrisawn

**Response to the Word**

**Holy Communion**

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

**\*Closing Hymn**

“Something Beautiful”

UMH 394

**\*Parting Blessing: Leaving to Serve**

**Postlude**

Sue Milligan

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Lay Leader: Kathy Ellis

Nursery Attendant(s): Nicole France & Lauren Mayer

**Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.**

Church office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Mon thru Fri

**Recommended for Devotional Readings**

*July 9<sup>th</sup>*

*Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45:10-17 or Psalm 72; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30*

*July 16<sup>th</sup>*

*Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112 or Psalm 25; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23*

*You are greeted this morning by Cherie Rannels*

**General Information/Opportunities/Upcoming**

Sunday School for Adults

9:00 a.m.

Worship Service

10:30 a.m.

Children's Church

During Service (Following the Children's Time)

**Pastor's Office Hours:** Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. till Noon. Other times by appointment, however, the Pastor is always available. Please call or text him. Please call before making a special trip.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** If you would like the Pastor to visit with your family, or someone else, please let him or the office know so it can be arranged.

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY**

44 Adults 4 Children

**LIFE GROUP/COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

**Keep these dates on your calendar**

**Saturday, July 8, 8 a.m. – noon**

**Church Spring Cleaning – All Invited to Help (Please)**

Thursday, July 13, 6:30

Finance Meeting

Thursday, July 13, to follow

Administrative Board Meeting

Coffee Hour Cleanup this morning

Volunteer Needed

(\*) Please Stand as you are able. **TFWS** is the smaller paperback and the **UMH** is the hardback song book.

*Share the Message! The Pastor's Message is recorded on CD's every Sunday. They are available free of Charge and can be found in the Narthex, and at the website: [www.rockspringsumc.org](http://www.rockspringsumc.org). You are welcome to take one.*

### Prayer Requests

Family of Mindy Sheckler, death of her father; Family of Val Jean Raddon; Doris Christoffersen's daughter, Yvonne Peterson; Family of Alana Thompson, death of her father; Family of Otto Warmbier; Sally Peterson; Pastor Jim; Cathy Georgis' brother-in-law, Todd Ludeman; Jack Norris; Larry Fanelli; Carol Ransdell; Anne Dunaway; Pastor Jim's uncle, Marshall, sister, Judy, and aunt, Mona; Rusty Dickson; Misty, Debbie Petrie's daughter-in law; Bill McGarvey; Tom McCutcheon; Mallory Rosetti Gardner; June Wittman; Carol Wendling; Fred & Isaac Wittman; Rhonda Wheeler; Renee Bustos' father, Bill Cogswell; Deanne Autry; Gene Lane; Keelan Schupman; Jackie Hansen; Karie Chrisawn's mother; Ruthanna Walsh; John Morrison

Prayer Request:

By:

**Remember** donated items for the Boys & Girls Club are appreciated by UMW; see Mary Lou Jessen, Penni Harden, or Marj Schaefer.

A note from the Pastor:

*This week we will celebrate the birth of the United States of America. A nation founded on the idea of a free Republic: A Nation guided by the people and for the people. This wasn't some idea dreamed up in a vacuum. There was much that led to this idea and to the revolution it began. The idea of being free from the rules/laws of the King/Queen imposed at will by a higher class. This is not the first time in human history that a people sought freedom.*

*In a way Christianity is a freedom movement started by Jesus a bit over 2000 years ago. This time He came to truly set humanity free! Free from sin! Sin that divides people, sin that divides nations, sin that creates oppressors, and is at the root of all that is evil and bad that plagues humanity.*

*Like the Revolution that brought about the birth of our Nation, freedom comes at a cost. Our Christian Freedom movement began at the sacrifice of the very life of God's only Son Jesus! Many wonderful followers of Jesus have given their very lives to share in this Freedom movement!*

*Today the cost is still the same, "For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it." Matthew 16:25*

*As we celebrate the birth of our Nation let us not forget that, as Christians, we are part of a revolution, a TRUE Freedom movement!*



## WHITE AS SNOW

White as snow,\_\_\_ White as snow,\_\_\_

though my sins were as scar-let,

Lord, I know,\_\_\_ Lord, I know\_\_\_

that I'm clean and for-giv-en.

Through the pow-er of Your blood,\_\_\_

through the won-der of Your love,\_\_\_

Through faith in You I know that I can be\_\_\_

white as snow. \_\_\_

# PATRIOTIC PRELUDE

#1

**THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND**

Chorus

This land is your land, This land in my land  
From California to the New York island  
From the redwood forest to the gulf stream waters  
This land was made for you and me.

Verse 1

As I was walking that ribbon of highway  
I saw above me that endless skyway  
I saw below me that golden valley  
This land was made for you and me.

Repeat Chorus

Verse 2

When the sun comes shining and I was strolling  
And the wheat fields waving and the dust clouds rolling  
As the fog was lifting a voice was chanting  
This land was made for you and me.

#2

**THIS IS MY COUNTRY**

This is my country! Land of my birth.  
This is my Country! Grandest on Earth!  
I pledge thee my allegiance, America the bold.  
For this is my country to have and to hold!

This is my country! Land of my choice.  
This is my country! Hear my proud voice!  
I pledge thee my allegiance, America the bold.  
For this is my country, to have and to hold!

#3

**AMERICA**

My Country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty,  
Of thee I sing;  
Land where my fathers died, Land of the pilgrims' pride,  
From every mountainside, Let freedom ring.

Our Father's God, to thee, Author of liberty,  
To thee we sing;  
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;  
Protect us by thy might, Great God, Our King.

#4

**GOD BLESS AMERICA**

God bless America, Land that I love  
Stand beside her and guide her  
Through the night with a light from above.  
From the mountains to the prairies  
To the oceans white with foam.

God bless America  
My home sweet home  
God bless America  
My home sweet home.