

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fort Dodge, IA



Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.

The people of the United Methodist Church®

March 18, 2018

5th Sunday of Lent

**Indicates you are invited to stand if you are comfortable doing so*

Hebrews 10:12 and 14 (NIV)

¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God,

¹⁴ For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

1 John 4:10 (NIV)

¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

John 3:16 (NIV)

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

A reminder that Becky has Friday afternoons off now and Pastor Andrea normally does visitations on Friday afternoons, therefore, there is no one at the office to answer phones. In case of an emergency on Friday afternoon or after hours, please contact Pastor Andrea on her cell phone.

*Altar flowers today
are in memory of
Ray "Hap" and Doris Johnston
from Scott Johnston*

First United Methodist Church continues to deliver Meals on Wheels approximately every 8 weeks. If you would be interested in helping deliver meals (either by driving, adding the "goodies" to the bags, or by riding with the driver and assisting with delivery) please contact Connie Boyd at 515-571-2118.

The Mission offering for the month of March will go to Upper Des Moines Opportunity for their "Backpack Buddies Program". Your offering can be placed in the plate at the back of the church or in the regular offering plate making sure that the check or envelope is mark "mission offering" or "Back Pack Buddies".

RUMMAGE SALE

We have had many members ask about dates & times for the spring rummage sale – Yay!!! Thanks for thinking and planning ahead!! We will be able to showcase our new floor at the sale!

So, put these dates & times on your May calendar.

Wed, May 9 - 8:00–4:00 Set out donated items
Thurs, May 10 - 8:00–6:00 We mark items from 8-4 and
then
 have "early bird" sales from 4-6
Fri, May 11 - 8:00–4:30 Sale day
Sat, May 12
 12:00–1:00 Local nonprofit organizations can
 come & pick out items at no cost to them
 1:00 - ? Pack up items, take them to other
 organizations, and clean up

You may start bringing items for the sale on April 29.

THE AGAPE LEAGUE

Galatians 5:22-23~~*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control...*

In the Agape Fortress, General Agape has called the mighty Agape League together to solve a crisis in Suburbiana City! Calling on the super-powered Fruit of the Spirit available to every follower of Christ, these superheroes soon find themselves facing a problem within their own ranks. Will the crisis in Suburbiana City be averted? Will the source of true power—God’s Word—finally be utilized before time runs out?

Please join the King’s Kids and Joyful Noise Choirs (and their parents!) for our superhero musical play on Sunday, April 15 during 9:45am worship. You have never experienced anything like it!



The Lord's Cupboard item for March is salt. Please drop your donation in the shopping cart in the Wesley Parlor in the church building.

Guess what is returning after almost 3 months?! The FILLING STATION service and meal will be returning on Wednesday, March 21. The meal will be smoked pork loin with all the trimmings. Please call the church office before Monday, March 19 with your reservation.

Please keep the following members of First UMC in your prayers: the Bettie Heideman's brother-in-law and sister, Kaye Berry, Bettie Heideman's grandson, Taylor Heideman, who has left for a year's tour in Kuwait, Curt and Liz Johnson's sister and brother who are dealing with serious illnesses, Jim Metzger, Bonnie Kersten, those in nursing homes and those men and women in our armed forces. Please let the church office know of anyone who may need prayers.

The men of the Fort Dodge Harmony Brigade would like to invite you to their spring show "That's Life", on Saturday, April 7th at the Fort Dodge Middle School. If you have liked our four-part harmony when we've sung at your summer church services, you're bound to enjoy our concert. Our chorus will perform, along with guest quartets Mainstreet and Boomtown. Show times will be at 2 and 7 pm. Tickets to the show may be purchased from any Barbershop member (Drew Sieben), at HyVee, or by calling 515-570-3414.

Christ Lutheran Church, 2220 10th Avenue North in Fort Dodge, is holding their annual Palm Sunday Baked Potato Buffet on Sunday, March 25th, from 4-6:30 pm. The cost is \$7.00 for adults, and \$3 for children 12 and under, and includes a beverage, GIANT baked potato with a large variety of toppings, & your choice of homemade dessert. For more information call: 576-4925.

***Opportunities for Work, Witness and Fellowship
through First United Methodist Church***

Sun, Mar 18

8:30 am Sunday School
9:45 am Worship
5:30 pm HS Youth Group

Mon, Mar 19

9:00 am Pew Crew
12:00 pm Al-Anon

Tues, Mar 20

9:00 am Lord's Cupboard
10:00 am Lenten Study
11:30 am Staff Meeting
12:00 pm AA
4:00 pm Lord's Cupboard
6:30 pm One Board Meeting
7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Wed, Mar 21

8:30 am Women's Bible Study FH
1:30 pm SALT
4:45 pm Joyful Noise

Wed, Mar 21 Cont'd

5:00 pm Filling Station Meal
5:30 pm King's Kids
6:00 pm Filling Station Service
7:00 pm Wesley Ringers

Thurs, Mar 22

9:30 am Lord's Cupboard
6:30 pm Girl Scouts

Fri, Mar 23

1:00 pm Lord's Cupboard

Sat, Mar 24

5:00 pm Community Manna Meal
Served by: Epworth UMC

Sun, Mar 25

8:30 am Chancel Choir
8:30 am Sunday School
9:45 am Worship
6:30 pm HS Youth Group

<p>Your Staff: The Congregation, The Ministers Andrea Kraushaar, Pastor Becky Ostheimer, Administrative Assist. Megan Cassady, Youth Coordinator Mark McClellan, Organist Gretchen Stanley, Chancel Choir Brian Robison, Wesley Ringers Amy Champagne, Children's Choirs Directors Gretchen Stanley and Amy Champagne, Praise Band Directors Jon Schuman, Chief Financial Officer KayLynn Jennings, Anna Jones, Azaria Silvey, Lyndsey Bennett, Nursery Assistants. Josh Goebel, Bldg & Grounds Supervisor Linda Wakeman & Carol Schwarz, Custodian</p>	<p>First United Methodist Church 127 North 10th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501</p> <hr/> <p>Radio Broadcast at 11:05 am each Sunday - KVFD 1400 AM Office Hours: 8-12 and 12:30-4:30 Mon - Fri Pastor Office: 515-576-7586 Pastor Cell: 515-230-6169 Email Addresses: Office: worship@fumcforddodge.org Pastor: revandreak@fumcforddodge.org Program Coordinator: mcassady@fumcforddodge.org Website: www.fumcforddodge.org</p>
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GREETERS

Laura Olson (West Door)
Nick & Heather Cochrane (East Door)
John & Laurel Mors (South Door)

LITURGIST

Pat Bennett



Our mission is to provide the people of the Fort Dodge area opportunities for spiritual growth, real friendships, and giving of themselves.