

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Fort Dodge, IA

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.  
**The people of the United Methodist Church®**

April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday

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

## **WELCOME**

*If you are a visitor with us today, we warmly say welcome. We invite you to join us at the rear of the sanctuary after worship for fellowship and refreshment.*

*Please take a moment and fill out the "Ritual of Friendship" pads at this time.*

***Please list all family members attending today, your address and phone number, and then pass the books back through the pews after everyone has signed, so you may greet and know those sitting with you.***

## **TRINITY CHIMES**

## **GREETING**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

## **CHANCEL CHOIR**

"Easter Song"  
Arr Allen Pote

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

The crucified one is risen in glory.

**The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

This is the Lord's doing.

**It is marvelous in our eyes.**

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**\*OPENING HYMN**

"Christ, the Lord, Is Risen Today"  
UMH #302

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**God of mystery and might, when we dread the dawn of grief and pain, surprise us with the light of your wondrous love. We come to the tomb expecting death, but find life instead. As we behold the glory of our salvation, take us back to that moment of faith when fear was healed by hope and death was swallowed up by life. In the holy awe of Easter morning, may our hearts rest in silent gratitude before they shout that Christ is alive and has called us by name. Amen**

**BRASS TRIO**

"Thine Is the Glory"/"Bouree!"/"Allegro"  
Megan Cassady, Dan Cassady, Brent Meyer

**KID'S MOMENT**

*The congregation sings "Where Children Belong" (p.2233)  
as the children come forward.*

*Ushers collect the "Ritual Friendship Pads" at this time.*

**"Where Children Belong"**

**This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song. This is where children belong.**

**\*HYMN**

"He Lives"  
UMH #310

**PSALM**

Psalm 100

**CHANCEL CHOIR**

"Risen! Christ is Risen!"  
Arr Lloyd Larson

**GOSPEL**

Luke 24:1-12

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

"Up from the Grave He Arose"  
UMH #322

**MEDITATION**

Rev. Andrea Kraushaar

**COMMUNION SERVICE**

Communion Meditation

UM #12

Communion

"Lord God, Now Open Wide Thy Heaven"  
John Sebastian Bach"

Offering plates are placed at the front of the center aisle for  
your tithes and gifts.

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

"Christ Is Alive"  
UMH #318  
Vs 1-4

**BENEDICTION**

Christ is Risen! Go forth in joy.

**From darkness and despair, we go to share Christ's hope and  
joy.**

Christ is Risen! Go forth in faith.

**From doubt and betrayal, we go to walk in faith and fidelity.**

Christ is Risen! Go forth to live.

**From suffering and death, we go to heal a broken world.**

Christ is Risen.

**Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia.**

**RESPONSE**

"Christ Is Alive"  
UMH #318  
Vs 5

**\*POSTLUDE**

Fugue ala Gigue  
Johann Sebastian Bach

### **Psalm 100**

<sup>1</sup> Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

<sup>2</sup> Worship the LORD with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.

<sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and praise his name.

<sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

### **Luke 24:1-12 (NIV)**

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup> While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?" <sup>6</sup> He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: <sup>7</sup> "The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be

crucified and on the third day be raised again.' " <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words.

<sup>9</sup> When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. <sup>10</sup> It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. <sup>12</sup> Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

There are large print hymnals available in the Wesley Parlor near the library for those who may need them.

The Annual Spring Rummage Sale for Missions is quickly sneaking upon us. Items may be brought to the church beginning, Sunday, April 29th, through Tuesday, May 8th.

You can stop at the church office and Becky will give you a key to get into the church to unload your items or find Josh to help you unload your items.

Remember items go in the south Sunday School room on the west side of Fellowship Hall.

The April Lord's Cupboard "CHALLENGE" small cans of tuna and diced tomatoes. Please drop your items in the shopping cart in the Wesley Parlor in the church building. The Evangelism Committee wants everyone to see what has been collected and is trying to track the donations given by First UMC!

Please keep the following members of First UMC in your prayers: Norma Whiting, 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, 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.

A special thank you to our brass players today—Dan Cassady, Brent Meyer and Megan Cassady. What a special touch they have added to our Easter Morning service!

The April mission offering will go to support the Sidewalk Sunday School program this summer. You will find a table in the back of the church to make your contribution at your convenience. Thank you to all who help with their monetary donations!

The next Filling Station will be Wednesday, April 4th. The main dish will be bacon wrapped chicken and rice pilaf. Please signup at the table in the Wesley Parlor. If you would like to help prepare, serve or cleanup following the meal, please contact Connie Boyd or Elizabeth Metier.

Vashti Circle will be meeting at Barb Chingren's home on Thursday, April 5th at 1:30 p.m. Jennie Riesberg, director of the Lord's Cupboard, will be presenting information regarding the Lord's Cupboard. All women are welcome to attend.

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.

Sunday, April 8th will be "Humor Sunday" at First United Methodist. Pastor Andrea is asking everyone to wear their brightest, craziest, fun clothes that Sunday. Don't know what she has up her sleeve, but am sure it will be fun! Don't forget your favorite joke!

### **Fifth Sunday Potluck and Celebration of Members**

On April 29th we will be celebrating those member of First United Methodist who have either been a member of First UMC or been a Methodist for over 50 years! If you have not contacted the church office and you fall into one of these categories please contact Becky as soon as possible.

This is also a month with five Sunday's therefore there will also be a potluck on Sunday morning. Each family is asked to bring a main dish and a side dish to pass. Please bring your own table setting also.

Thank you to those of you who purchased flowers to adorn the altar this Easter Morning! Please remember to take your flower(s) home with you after today's service. All of these plants can be planted in your gardens. If you are not a gardener, you may want to share your plant(s) with someone who is!

If you are unable to come to the altar for communion, please let the ushers know and the Pastor or a communion assistant will bring communion to you in your pew.

# 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!



Christ sacrifice  
life He is REDEEMER  
rejoice joy  
Jesus hope crucifixion SAVIOR  
RISEN  
amazing grace  
LOVE mercy  
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***Opportunities for Work, Witness and Fellowship  
through First United Methodist Church***

**Sun, Apr 1**

8:30 am Chancel Choir  
 8:30 am Sunday School  
 9:45 am Worship w/Communion  
 5:30 pm HS Youth Group

**Mon, Apr 2**

**Church office Closed for  
 Easter Holiday**

**Tues, Apr 3**

9:30 am Lord's Cupboard  
 11:00 am Staff meeting  
 12:00 pm AA  
 4:00 pm Lord's Cupboard  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

**Wed, Apr 4**

8:30 am Women's Bible Study FH  
 3:30 pm SALT  
 4:45 pm Joyful Noise  
 5:00 pm Filling Station Meal  
 5:30 pm King's Kids

**Wed, Apr 4 Cont'd**

6:00 pm Filling Station Service  
 7:00 pm Wesley Ringers

**Thur, Apr 5**

9:30 am Lord's Cupboard  
 6:00 pm Girl Scouts

**Fri, Apr 6**

1:00 pm Lord's Cupboard

**Sun, Apr 8**

8:30 am Sunday School  
 9:45 am Worship  
 5:30 pm HS Youth Group  
 6:00 pm Parents Musical Rehearsal

**Your Staff:**

The Congregation, The Ministers  
Andrea Kraushaar, Pastor  
Becky Ostheimer, Administrative Assist.  
Megan Cassady, Children & Youth Coor.  
Mark W. McClellan, Organist  
Gretchen Stanley, Chancel Choir  
Brian Robison, Bell Choir Director  
Amy Champagne, Children's Choir  
Director  
Amy Champagne and Gretchen Stanley,  
Contemporary Service Leaders  
Jon Schuman, Chief Financial Officer  
KayLynn Jennings, Anna Jones, Azaria  
Silvey, Lyndsey Bennett, Nursery  
Assist.  
Carol Schwarz & Linda Wakeman,  
Custodial  
Josh Goebel, Maintenance

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Sunday School 8:30 September—May  
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**GREETERS**

John & Elizabeth Metier (West Door)  
Richard & Diane Jones (East Door)  
Mike & Judy Waddell (South Door)

**LITURGIST**

Scott Johnston



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