

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Fort Dodge, IA

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.

April 7, 2019

5th Sunday of Lent

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

## **John 14:25-27 (NIV)**

<sup>25</sup> "All this I have spoken while still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

## **Acts 2:1-4 (NIV)**

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Plan on joining a Bible study that will be starting April 11th. The study is from Adam Hamilton on Christianity's family tree. We will meet on Thursday evenings at 6:00 pm in the north building. Study guides will be available for \$10—contact the church office to obtain your book.

Adam Hamilton presents a welcoming, inspiring vision of eight Christian denominations and faith traditions. Comparing the Christian family to our own extended families, he contends that each denomination has a unique, valuable perspective to offer on the Christian faith.

The traditions he examines are Orthodoxy, Catholicism, Lutheranism, Presbyterianism, Anglicanism, Baptists, Pentecostalism, and Methodism. For each group, Hamilton gives a brief history, outlines major beliefs, and describes some things we can learn from that tradition to strengthen our own Christian faith.

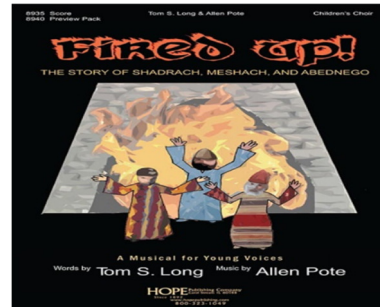
The Lord's Cupboard "CHALLENGE" for April will be pork and beans and instant potatoes. Please drop your items in the shopping cart in the Wesley Parlor in the church building.

The radio broadcast of today's service is sponsored in part by Betty Heideman. If you would like to sponsor a Sunday's broadcast please mark your donation for "radio broadcast" in any amount you like and place in the offering plate or drop off at the church office.

## FIRED UP!

In the sixth century B.C.E., Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon conquered the ancient Kingdom of Judah and forced large portions of the population into captivity. It is from this period of exile we get wonderful Biblical stories of courage and faith in the face of oppression--the stories of Esther, Daniel, and the tale told in this year's musical—Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and the fiery furnace.

***Fired Up!*** is a light-hearted retelling of that tale, but as always, includes moments of deeper feeling to share the core message: we follow a loving God worthy of trust—regardless of the circumstances.



Please join the King's Kids and Joyful Noise Choirs (and their parents!) for our musical play on Sunday, April 28 during 9:45 am worship. We think you will be so glad that you did!

Please keep the following members of First UMC in your prayers: Gladys Bittner, Jerry Schnurr Sr, Audrey Metier, Jean Burke, Jim Metzger, Kate Ray (Lorree Lee's mom), Marilyn Raine, Jan Olson, 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.

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.

#### Church Budget and Attendance Information

March 31st Attendance—207

Giving March 26 - April 1—\$9,841.15

Year-to Date Giving—\$97,857.67

Year-to-Date Expenses —\$113,007.21

Expenses Over (Under) Expenses—(\$15,149.54)

The One Board of First United Methodist Church is so excited to announce that Joni Ham-Olson has been selected as the Director of the Lord's Cupboard! Joni has been interim director since last fall and has been doing a fantastic job of stepping up and moving the Cupboard forward.

The next Wednesday Night meal will be held April 17th. The meal will be tacos with all the goodies, refried beans, fruit, and dessert. If you plan to attend and have not already done so, please sign up in the Wesley Parlor at the table on the west wall.

The ladies who do the prepping of food, cooking and clean up are desperately asking others to join them in helping with this meal. Without additional assistance this wonderful meal may no longer be possible in the near future. Please take a turn at helping in some manner—everyone enjoys there time and fellowship with other from First UMC!

### OMISSION IN CHMES

**Some important information was accidentally omitted in the April Chimes! Please mark these dates and times on your calendar for the upcoming rummage sale.**

Important dates/times:

Wed., May 8:	8 am—4 pm	Set out donated items
Thurs., May 9:	8 am—6 pm	We mark items from 8-4 and then have "early bird" sales from 4—6 pm
Fri., May 10:	8 am—4:30 pm	Sale day
Sat., May 12:	<b>8 am—11 pm</b>	<b>\$2 a bag or 1/2 price sale on larger items.</b>
	12 pm—1 pm	Local nonprofit organizations can come & pick out items at no cost
	1 pm—?	Pack up items, take them to other organizations, and clean up



## Easter Flowers Order Form

We will be offering tulips, daffodils and hyacinth again this year. Please mark the kind of flower you would like to purchase on the order form. We are hoping to get a good mix of flowers for the sanctuary/altar.

**Please print**

From: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Flower	Cost	Number
Tulips	\$15.00	_____
Lily:	\$10.50	_____
Amount Paid:		_____

**We will be taking orders through April 10th**

**Thanks to Becker Florist  
for providing flowers!**

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

**Sun, Apr 7**

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

**Mon, Apr 8**

9:00 am      Pew Crew  
1:00 pm      Al-Anon  
5:00 pm      AMP

**Tues, Apr 9**

9:30 am      Lord's Cupboard  
4:00 pm      Lord's Cupboard  
7:00 pm      Boy Scouts

**Wed, Apr 10**

11:00 am     Staff Meeting  
3:00 pm      SALT  
4:30 pm      Joyful Noise  
5:15 pm      King's Kids

**Wed, Apr 10 Cont'd**

6:00 pm      Wesley Ringers  
7:00 pm      Chancel Choir

**Thur, Apr 11**

9:30 am      Lord's Cupboard  
6:00 pm      Family Tree Study

**Fri, Apr 12**


1:00 pm      Lord's Cupboard

**Sat, Apr 13**

5:00 pm      Community Manna Meal  
                  Served by First  
                  Presbyterian Church

**Sun, Apr 14**

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 W. 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  Anna Jones, Lyndsey Bennett, Laney  Jones, Nursery Assistants.  Josh Goebel, Bldg &amp; Grounds Supervisor  Carol Schwarz, Housekeeping</p>	<p><b>First United Methodist Church</b>  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 - Thur, 8-12 Fri  Office: 515-576-7586  Pastor Cell: 515-230-6169  Email Addresses:  Office: <a href="mailto:worship@fumcfortdodge.org">worship@fumcfortdodge.org</a>  Pastor: <a href="mailto:revandreak@fumcfortdodge.org">revandreak@fumcfortdodge.org</a>  Program Coordinator:  <a href="mailto:mcassady@fumcfortdodge.org">mcassady@fumcfortdodge.org</a>  Website:  <a href="http://www.fumcfortdodge.org">www.fumcfortdodge.org</a></p> 
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**GREETERS**

Barb Chingren (West Door)  
Robert & Charlene Anderson (East Door)  
Eric Pearson (South Door)

**LITURGIST**

Jerry Schnurr

**The mission of First United Methodist Church is to Love, Grow, and Serve in Jesus Christ.**

**Loving:** Loving God and neighbors in all we say, do and live.

**Growing:** Growing in faith through worship, prayer, and study of God's word.

**Serving:** Serving others and sharing God's message.