

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Fort Dodge, IA

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.

February 16, 2020

6th Sunday after Epiphany

**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.

PRELUDE

TRINITY CHIMES

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

JOYFUL NOISE

"The Summons"
Ella Champagne and Abby Tofilon, Soloists

***CALL TO PRAISE AND PRAYER**

This is the day the Lord has made!

We come rejoicing and giving thanks.

This is the day God invites us to love and to live.

We seek to dwell in God's love as we turn our hearts toward God.
This is the day to worship our creator and redeemer.
We worship the God of life.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty God, we gather in this space to praise your name. Help us lay aside our worries, our fears, our frustrations, and our anxieties, that we may be free to truly worship you. Through the power of your Spirit, empower us to seek your ways, walk in the footsteps of Christ, come before you with our whole heart, and live as your faithful servants. We seek your help this day, O God, that the world may know your abundant love and your amazing grace. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

"Rock of Ages Cleft for Me"
UMH #361

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A moment of silent prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE

"Holy Ground"
FWS #2272

KID'S MOMENTS

The congregation sings "Where Children Belong" (p. 2233)

as the children come forward. Ushers collect the

"Ritual of Friendship Pads" at this time.

"Where Children Belong"

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

CHANCEL CHOIR

"Thy Word"
Arr Jack Schraeder

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

The Offertory

l'eclatante
Michel Corrette
UM #95

* Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

* Prayer of Dedication

God of abundant life, we give you thanks for your many gifts. Most of all, thank you for the gift of life and for all the ways we are able to worship and to serve you. May these gifts bring abundant life to those both near and far. In your precious name, we pray. Amen.

READING

John 8:2-11

HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Open My Eyes that I May See"
UMH #454

SERMON

"What's Your Perception"
Kory Finke

PASTORAL PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN**

"I Love to Tell the Story"
UMH #156
Vs 1-3

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE**

"I Love to Tell the Story"
UMH #156
Vs 4

POSTLUDE

"Praise Everlasting"
David Paxton

John 8:2-11 (NIV)

² At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them. ³ The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group ⁴ and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. ⁵ In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" ⁶ They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him. But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. ⁷ When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." ⁸ Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground. ⁹ At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. ¹⁰ Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" ¹¹ "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

Please keep the following members of First UMC in your prayers: Marlene Osborne's grandson, Nick Osborne a Navy Seal who has recently been deployed, Gladys Bittner, Marilyn Oberhelman, Lucile Dellit, Roxanne Morris' sister-in-law, Rhonda, who has recently been diagnosed with cancer, Kate Ray (Lorree Lee's mom), Jan Olson, 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 2020 flower chart has been posted on the kiosk. If you would like to sign up for flowers or grains for a Sunday in 2020, please be sure to sign up. Once your name is on the list you will be responsible to contact the florist of your choice to have flowers delivered for your particular Sunday. If you have any questions, you can call Becky at the church office.

Attendance and Budget Information 2020

February 9 Attendance—107
Giving February 4-10—\$2067.00
Income Year-to-Date—\$54,205.14
Expenses Year-to-date—\$33,683.27
Income Over (Under) Expenses - \$20,521.87

Ash Wednesday Services will be held at Trinity United Methodist church. There will be two services available to you. There will be a noon service with a light soup lunch and an evening service at 6:00 p.m.

The next Wednesday night meal and service will be held on February 19th. The meal is being prepared by Pastor Andrea and Megan. The meal will be pork loin, potatoes, salad and dessert. Please take a moment to sign up in the Wesley Parlor if you plan to attend the meal.

If you or a family member enjoy First United Methodist Church's service being broadcast on the radio, please consider donating to the cost of these broadcasts. The cost for one Sunday's broadcast is \$100. If you would like to contribute some or all of this cost, please drop a check in the offering plate earmarked for radio broadcast. If you would like this to be in honor of memory of someone or something, please make a note of that or contact Becky at the church office.

The items for the Lord's Cupboard for the month of January and February are applesauce, peanut butter, and fruit cocktail. Items can be placed in the grocery cart in the Wesley Parlor or dropped off at the church office.

The youth and their families of First UMC will be going to Seven Oaks Recreation Center on Sunday, March 1st for an afternoon of tubing and fun. The cost of the event is \$20 per person. Please contact Megan if you are interested in attending.



Pastor Andrea will be leading an Advent Study group beginning Monday, March 2nd in the Skylight Room on the North Office Building.. The book is entitled "Entering the Passion of Jesus" and will cost \$9.00. Books can be purchased at the church office.

The Ashloar Lodge (Masons) will be hosting a Leap Day Pancake Breakfast at First UMC on Saturday, February 29th, 8-11:00 am. All you can eat pancakes, eggs and sausages. The freewill donation will benefit D/SAOC.

Epworth United Methodist Church is holding baked potato lunch today, February 16th. Serving will be from 11:30 am until potatoes are gone. Free will offering.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



PLEASE JOIN US

FOR CONVERSATION AND FELLOWSHIP

THE THIRD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

(BEGINNING FEBRUARY 21ST)

AT THE CELEBRATION CENTER AT
FRIENDSHIP HAVEN

1:30 PM



PASTOR ANDREA + LADIES OF VASHTI CIRCLE

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

Sun, Feb 16

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

Wed, Feb 19 Cont'd

5:15 pm King's Kids
6:00 pm Filling Station Service
6:45 pm Wesley Ringers

Mon, Feb 17

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

Thur, Feb 20

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

Tues, Feb 18

9:30 am Lord's Cupboard
4:00 pm Lord's Cupboard
5:00 pm Praise Team
5:30 pm One Board
7:00 pm Scouts

Fri, Feb 21

1:00 pm Lord's Cupboard

Sat, Feb 22

5:00 pm Community Manna Meal
 Served by
 Northfield Church

Wed, Feb 19

9:30 am Staff Meeting
3:00 pm SALT
4:30 pm Joyful Noise
5:00 pm Filling Station Meal

Sun, Feb 23

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, Isabelle Beekman, Nursery Assistants. Kent Emers, Bldg & Grounds Supervisor Carol Schwarz, Housekeeping</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 - Thur, 8-12 Fri Office: 515-576-7586 Pastor Cell: 515-230-6169 Email Addresses: Office: worship@fumcfortdodge.org Pastor: revandreak@fumcfortdodge.org Program Coordinator: mcassady@fumcfortdodge.org Website: www.fumcfortdodge.org</p>
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GREETERS

Rick & Pat Bennett (West Door)
Tom & Marilyn Brainerd (East Door)
Iris Jones (South Door)

LITURGIST

John Metier

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.