FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Fort Dodge, IA

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.

March 21, 2021 5th Sunday in Lent

Matthew 8:18-27 (NIV)

- ¹⁸ When Jesus saw the crowd around him, he gave orders to cross to the other side of the lake. ¹⁹ Then a teacher of the law came to him and said, "Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go."
- ²⁰ Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."
- ²¹ Another disciple said to him, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."
- ²² But Jesus told him, "Follow me, and let the dead bury their own dead."
- ²³ Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him. ²⁴ Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. ²⁵ The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!"
- ²⁶ He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.
- ²⁷ The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!"

Meet With Me

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I'm here to meet with You, Come and meet with me. I'm here to find You, reveal Yourself to me.

As I wait, You make me strong. As I long, draw me to Your arms. As I stand and sing Your praise,

You come, You come, and You fill this place. Won't You come, won't You come and fill this place?

I'm here to meet with You, Come and meet with me. I'm here to find You, reveal Yourself to me.

As I wait, You make me strong. As I long, draw me to Your arms. As I stand and sing Your praise,

You come, You come, and You fill this place. Won't You come, won't You come and fill this place?

As I wait, You make me strong. As I long, draw me to Your arms. As I stand and sing Your praise, You come, You come, and You fill this place. Won't You come, won't You come and fill this place?

Won't You come, won't You come and fill this place? Lord You come, Lord You come and fill this place?

Holy Water

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God, I'm on my knees again,
God, I'm begging please again, I need You.
Oh, I need You.
Walking down these desert roads,
Water for my thirsty soul, I need You.
Oh, I need You.

Chorus

Your forgiveness is like sweet, sweet honey on my lips. Like the sound of a symphony to my ears. Like holy water on my skin.

Dead man walking, slave to sin,
I wanna know about being born again.
I need You. Oh, God, I need You.
So take me to the riverside.
Take me under, baptize. I need You.
Oh, God, I need You.

Chorus

Your forgiveness is like sweet, sweet honey on my lips. Like the sound of a symphony to my ears. Like holy water on my skin.

I don't wanna abuse Your grace.

God, I need it ev'ry day.

It's the only thing that ever really makes me wanna change.

Repeat 3 more times

Chorus

Your forgiveness is like sweet, sweet honey on my lips. Like the sound of a symphony to my ears. It's like holy water.

Chorus

Your forgiveness is like sweet, sweet honey on my lips.
Like the sound of a symphony to my ears.
Like holy water on my skin.
Like holy water on my skin.
Oh, it's like holy water.

Oh My Soul

Words and Music by Bernie Herms, Mark Hall, and Nichole Nordeman Copyright: Birdboy Songs Administrator: Capitol CMG Publishing CCLI 1373895 Oh, my soul, oh, how you worry,
Oh, how you're weary from fearing you've lost control.
This was the one thing you didn't see coming; And no one would blame you, though,

If you cried in private,
If you tried to hide it away so no one knows.
No one will see if you stop believing.

Oh my soul, you are not alone!
There's a place where fear has to face the God you know.
One more day He will make a way.
Let Him show you how you can lay this down, 'cause you're not alone.

Here and now, you can be honest, I won't try to promise that someday it all works out,

'Cause this is the valley

And even now He is breathing on your dry bones,

And there will be dancing;
There will be beauty,
Where beauty was ash and stone.
This much I know.

Oh my soul, you are not alone!
There's a place where fear has to face the God you know.
One more day He will make a way.
Let Him show you how you can lay this down...

I'm not strong enough,
I can't take anymore. (You can lay it down, you can lay it down)
And my shipwrecked faith
Will never get me to shore. (You can can lay it down, you can lay it down)

Can He find me here? Can He keep me from going under?

Oh my soul, you are not alone!
There's a place where fear has to face the God you know.
One more day He will make a way.
Let Him show you how you can lay this down, 'cause you're not alone.
Oh my soul, you're not alone.

All My Fountains

Words and Music by Tomlin, Nockels, Carson, and Nockels Copyright: 2011 sixsteps Music Administrator: Capitol CMG Publishing CCLI 1373895

This dry and desert land, I tell myself, keep walking on. Here's something up ahead, water falling like a song. An everlasting stream, Your river carries me home. Let it flow, let it flow. All my fountains.

A flood for my soul, a well that never will run dry. I've rambled on my own, never believing I would find an everlasting stream, Your river carries me home.

Let it flow, let it flow.

Chorus

Open the heavens, come Living Water.
All my fountains are in You.
Strong like a river, Your love is running through.
All my fountains are in You.

Bridge

Come on and rain down on us, rain down on us, Lord. Come on and rain down on us, rain down on us, Lord. Come on and rain down on us, rain down on us, Lord. Come on and rain down on us, rain down on us, Lord.

Chorus

Open the heavens, come Living Water.
All my fountains are in You.
Strong like a river, Your love is running through.
All my fountains are in You.

Chorus last time
Open the heavens, come Living Water.
All my fountains are in You.
Strong like a river, Your love is running through.
All my fountains are in You.
All my fountains are in You.
All my fountains are in You.

Response

Open the heavens, come Living Water.
All my fountains are in You.
Strong like a river, Your love is running through.
All my fountains are in You.

Table for Five...Thousand!

Mother Teresa said, "We can do small things, with great love, and together we can do something wonderful."

The story of Jesus feeding the five thousand is the only miracle--apart from the resurrection--that is reported in all four gospels. In the book of John, the story centers around one young boy with five loaves and two fish and is the catalyst for everything that follows. The boy's willingness to share resulted in members of the crowd wanting to proclaim Jesus as King. And later, an even greater revelation as Jesus tells his disciples, "I am the Bread of Life. Those who come to me will never go hungry."

Table for Five...Thousand! is a musical play that tells this biblical story while underlining the theme that the most humble among us—especially children—can do great things.

-adapted from Tom Long and Allen

Pote

Please join the King's Kids and Joyful Noise Choirs for a <u>viewing of our</u> recorded musical play on Sunday, April 18 during 9:45 am worship and <u>streamed on Facebook</u>. We think you'll be glad that you did!



Offering baskets can be found in the back of the sanctuary near both entrances. Please remember to drop your offering in the baskets as you leave. If you are not yet attending live church services, please remember to continue to support your church. Offering can be made by mail, dropping at church office, credit card via the church's Facebook page or by setting of automatic withdrawals with Becky at the office.

The flower chart is posted on the kiosk in the back of the sanctuary. If you would like to do altar flowers or grains, please signup there or call the church office and Becky will get you on the calendar.

First United Methodist will be celebrating Confirmation Sunday on March 28th. Pastor Andrea and Anne Marie are asking the congregation to participate in a card shower for the Confirmands on Sunday, March 14th and 21st due to the unusual circumstances caused by Covid. Cards may be mailed to the church office (127 North 10th Street), delivered in person to the office or on Sunday morning. There will be a basket in the back of the sanctuary for the cards if you bring them to worship service.

We have six confirmands this year: Samantha Anderson, Ella Champagne, Wesley Kraushaar, Maeleena Meyer, Kira Pearson and Christian Stanley.

Thank you to Betty Niceswanger for sponsoring today's radio broadcast. 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.

2021 Attendance & Budget Information Attendance March 14: 53 Giving March 9-15: \$2702.00 Year-to-Date Giving: \$86,583.41

Year-to-Date Expenses: \$82,461.66 Income Over (Under) Expenses: \$4,121.75

Please keep the following members of First UMC in your prayers: Gladys Bittner, Gary Stephenson, Kathy Miller-Olson, John Olmstead, Kate Ray (Lorree Lee's mom), Jan Olson, those in nursing homes, those men and women in our armed forces and our country as we continue forward in this time of stress and anxiety. Please let the church office know of anyone who may need prayers.

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

<u>Sun, Mar 21</u>		Thur, Mar 25	
8:30 am	Sunday School	9:30 am	Lord's Cupboard
9:45 am	Worship		
6:30 pm	HS Youth Group	<u>Fri, Mar 26</u>	
		1:00 pm	Lord's Cupboard
Mon, Mar 22			
6:30 pm	Girl Scouts	<u>Sat, Mar 27</u>	
		5:00 pm	Manna Meal
Tues, Mar 23			Served by
9:30 am	Lord's Cupboard		Epworth UMC
11:00 am	Staff Meeting		
4:00 pm	Lord's Cupboard	<u>Sun, Mar 28</u>	
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	8:30 am	Sunday School
		9:45 am	Worship with
<u>Wed, Mar 24</u>			Confirmation
3:30 pm	SALT	6:30 pm	HS Youth Group
4:45 pm	Joyful Noise		
5:30 pm	King's Kids		
6:00 pm	Wesley Ringers		
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Methodist Church is to Love, Grow, and Serve in Jesus Christ.

The mission of First United

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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.