FIRST United Methodist Church of Sedalia
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# Joy!

In John 15 Jesus says, "I have told you these things that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete." Yes! We've come into the middle of a thought because we need to know what Jesus has just told them. Well, he said his followers are to love one another as I have loved you. How could keeping his command to love others bring us joy?
One thing: we would have no doubt we are doing what he asked us to do—that's called obedience.
Another thing: loving like he loves us means we are going to need his help and look at the ways he showed us what true love looks like.
And maybe one more thing: there is a certain kind of satisfaction when we get outside of ourselves (or get over ourselves) and think about or care about someone besides us.
JOY comes in obeying Jesus, imitating Jesus and caring for others beyond just our own needs or wants.
IT all adds up to God's joy taking hold of our lives and being expressed in tangible ways.

I wonder if John 15 might have influenced John Wesley in some way when he penned these words to the early Methodists:

**Do all the good you can**, in **all** the ways **you can**, to **all** the souls **you can**, in every place **you can**, at **all** the times **you can**, with **all** the zeal **you can**, as long as ever **you can**.

Plant some seeds of joy in the lives of others around you. Then watch how much the Lord grows joy in your life! Bring Your fulfilling joy, Lord! Amen.
See you at the Joy place this weekend!

~Jimd

I will be preaching on an ancient prayer this weekend that has timeless impact. Join us on campus or online!

## From Farmers to Families

If everything goes well we will be receiving 1000 to 1200 boxes of food each week on Tuesdays to be distributed throughout the region. No paper work is required to receive a box. It is touch less because of the times so people drive up, pop their trunk and a box is loaded into the car. Each week the box will have different items. It could contain meat or vegetables and fruits. Please watch for announcements through Facebook later this week to see if this materializes. Volunteers will be needed to off-load the truck and then to help distribute later in the day (afternoon-evening). We are excited to be a part of helping others in the small way.

## OnCampus During this Season

**The 8:35 am service is now at 8:30 am.**

**Sunday School is in recess for the summer.**

**Main doors are designated entrances and exits. Please follow the flow.**

**If seating reaches capacity, we will have an additional service in the Fellowship Hall with live preaching.**

*Let all that you do be done in Love*

1 Corinthians 16:14

## Connected.

This weekend's message is all about a prayer Jesus would have spoken early in the morning, at lunch and each evening. This ancient prayer has a timeless impact. It's a short prayer but reaches far with truth and beauty.

## Women's Movie Night

All women are invited to our next movie night. It will be on Thursday, July 16th at 6 p.m. in the EyeSee Theater at the Celebration Center. Bring a friend! Unlimited popcorn is provided. For movie listing, check Facebook or call Candace at 660-890-4849. Come join us!

## *HeartBeats*

♥If you are available to **help work on VBS Decorations**, contact Lancy at 660-287-3496.

♥If you are interested in free access to ***Right Now Media***, (over 20,000 Bible Studies, children's videos, and more)
~please send your name and email address to: getactive@firstsayyes.com or
~please use this QR code to sign up for RightNow Media, or
~text rightnow firstsayyes to 41411.

♥Each week we are offering a variety of **classes online through Zoom**. The updated weekly schedule is listed on our website. http://firstsayyes.com/zoom-options
If you have questions about using Zoom or would like to start a group through the Zoom platform, you may call Candace through the church office, 827.2993.

## Join the Green Team

Did you know that we have a team at First Church that works with all the plants and flowers you have seen around the building? The Green Team is always looking for volunteer members. Call the church office or Gary Eck at 660-460-4279. We would love to GROW with you! You don't have to have a green thumb, only a willing heart to learn and serve.

## Church History Publication Postponed

The publication of In the Footsteps of the Saints: A brief History of First United Methodist Church, Sedali, MO has been postponed until after the dedication of the Thompson Site. Watch the newsletter for updates on status. Sorry for any inconvenience.

## Lake Creek UMC Campmeeting

Lake Creek United Methodist Church invites you to **Red Letter Edition** for amazing gospel tunes followed by the Campmeeting Service on Thursday, August 6th at 6:30 p.m. Lake Creek is located south of Smithton on Hwy W to Lake Creek Road. This is an outdoor event. Seating is provided, but lawn chairs are welcome. Social distancing is encouraged and masks are welcome. Hope to see you!

## Nursery Open during Worship Time

Our Nursery is now open to children 0-5 years old during worship service times. We ask that all adults wear a mask while in the Nursery or Soothing Room areas. For the safety of all, the Nursery is limited to 10 children in the area at a time. Everyone will have their temperature checked and be asked to wash their hands or use sanitizer upon arrival at the Nursery. The Nursery is sanitized after every service. No snacks or drinks allowed in the room at this time, exceptions for bottle feeding. Social distancing rules will be followed, as best we can.

## Children's Weekly Zoom

All kids ages 5—5th Grade are invited to join Miss Lancy on Zoom at 10 a.m. on Saturdays. Meeting ID: 918 4788 0178 Password: 540319. Join in and find out "What's in the Bag?." If questions, call Lancy Ulrich at 660-287-3496.

## Carpenter's Kids' Preschool Preschool Enrollment

Our Carpenter's Kids' Preschool is now enrolling 3 1/2 and 4 year olds for our fall 2020 morning (8:30-11a.m.) and afternoon (12:30-3 p.m.) classes. For enrollment forms, call the Celebration Center Church office (827-2993) or stop by the church office during office hours (8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Monday—Thursday, and 8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Friday. Excluding 12 - 1 p.m. for lunch).

Leading people to an active faith in Jesus Christ.

# Medical Volunteers Needed

First Church is establishing a formal medical response team for both church sites. We are currently seeking trained or interested members who would be willing to help if needed in our facilities (First Aid/CPR/AED). The church recently obtained an AED for the Thompson location. We are creating a written AED program (IAW MO state guidelines) with a Physician's oversight for both the Celebration Center and the Thompson site. Should you be interested in serving in this area, or have any questions, please call or text John Rippey at (660) 287-2441. We will be organizing a meeting soon - Thanks!

# Time to Update

Have you recently moved, gotten rid of a landline or have a new email address? Would you mind sharing that information with us? We are currently trying to update our office records so we can get information regarding church activities and announcements to you in a timely fashion. There are sheets in the lobby of the Celebration Center and the Thompson Site that can be filled out, or you may call the church office at 660-827-2993 during office hours.
~While our summer gatherings and entertainment trips have been cancelled,

MASTERPIECE
where grown ups keep growing
The Older Adult Ministry of First United Methodist, Sedalia

our Masterpiece (Older Adult Ministry) continues to randomly meet by online Zoom. Our last Zoom meeting was July 7th. If you would like to be added to the list of those receiving future Zoom date notifications, please contact Rusty Smith at 660-553-0347.
~Lyceum Theater in Arrow Rock has postponed their scheduled play productions for one year. Therefore the September 12 Masterpiece event is postponed until September 13, 2021.
~A November 2020 trip to Jefferson City to see a Capital City Production on Harry Truman is being planned. Watch for future details.

# We Celebrate the Day You Were Born

*If your birthday is not listed, please let us know so it can be added!*

**Birthdays (July 19-Aug. 1):**
Bud Frontera, Hansel Morris, Karen Stewart, Maggy Evans-Hall, Levi Barth-Fagan, Eugene Scotten, Cathy Schlup, Barney Knight, Yeager Coen, Kristen Meyer, Matthew Youkey, Cassie Bias, Barry Brock, Steve Ditzfeld, Teresa Simmons, Linda Higgins, Sara Turner, Rebekah Lynn, Sam Cash, Kasey Haynes, Jon Furrey, Stephanie Aziere-Sattler, Wilbur Mosier, Amy Schaumburg, Ken Schondelmaier, Toni Siercks, Mike Tsao, Kathi Johnson, Melissa Roy, Cole Gilmore, Karen Foster, Kent Schilb, Carla Smith, Harlan Reid, Lydia Tester, Gavin Jackson, Kathy Morris, John Kinter, Jenny Emery, Barbara Rollins, Jeani Gregory, Jessica Johnson, Carol Monsees, Mary Jo Stevenson, Jerry Fillinger, Mikel Howard, Christian Arnold, Elizabeth Bird, Mike Routon, Connie Marthiljohni, Dorothy Bass, Anne Imler, Vicki Weaver, Jeremiah Lentz, Sheryl Lazenby, Don Luper, Jr., Eunice Seek, Edward Stewart, Gia Kuhns

## First Steps

**July 4/5, 2020**
Worship 289

**July 11/12, 2020**
Worship 316

We report finances monthly.

## Our Family

### Our Prayers For:

*Darlene & Virgil Burgess, Kenneth Burgess, Cansata Arnold, Annabell Hackman, Glenda Horne, Kristina Johns, Dana Gillig, Virginia Davis, Jeff Zullig, Jim Richwine, Rebecca Kolsky, Stacey Shaw, Our Military Families, Strong Tower Haiti, Whittier and Horace Mann Schools, and our covenant churches in Mozambique*

*Our hearts go out in Christian love and sympathy to:*
***~Tammie Peace and family*** *in the death of her son, Levi Peace, on July 2, 2020,*
***~Reatha Owens and family*** *in the death of her sister, Jeanette Kullman, on July 13, 2020 in Lincoln, MO.*

*If you received today's newsletter by regular mail and prefer to receive it by e-mail (let us know your e-mail address) or on-line (www.firstsayyes.com under "resources"), or you do not want to receive it at all, please call the church office at 827-2993.*

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Worship //Saturday 5:30pm
//Sunday 8:30am //9:45am
**Thompson Site, 916 Thompson Blvd** Phone // 660.851.2815
//11:00am
Listen on the Radio at 1490AM Sundays 10:05am or on our
Website at www.firstsayyes.com (messages)
Email us at email@firstsayyes.com
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## *A Free Bible Experience For ages 1st—5th Grade! All Aboard!!!*

## CHILDREN'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**July 20-24**

Morning Class: 10 to 11:30 a.m. 50 spots
sign up on vbspro.events/p/2a85d8
Evening Class: 6 to 7:30 p.m. 50 spots
sign up on vbspro.events/p/9e4d4b
Online: Anytime VBS Week
Unlimited participants www.firstsayyes.com

**VBS Volunteers are still needed for the 10 a.m. & 6 p.m. Sessions.**

If questions or to volunteer help, please contact Lancy Ulrich (Children's Ministry Director) at 660-287-3496.