



We would like to welcome everyone to our worship services today. We are honored that you have come to worship with us. For you who are visitors, I am Pastor Kevin Gingerich, and if I can assist you in any way, please let me know. You may call the church office at 324-4894, between the hours of 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

A few things you should know as you worship with us: We have a nursery available during the Traditional and Modern Worship services for children ages 0 - 3 down the hall across from the restrooms by south entrance.

**Our Mission:**

*“To Glorify God By Making Disciples For Jesus Christ”*

**Our Vision:**

*“To open our hearts and doors to all people with love and acceptance; inviting them into a relationship with Christ, and each other; encouraging and empowering them as followers of Christ to love as He loved us; and sending them by the power of the Holy Spirit to live the word of God in our homes, community and world.”*

Connect with SUMC Online:

**Website:** [www.sheldonumc.org](http://www.sheldonumc.org)

Audio and video sermons, bulletins, and newsletters are available on the church website.

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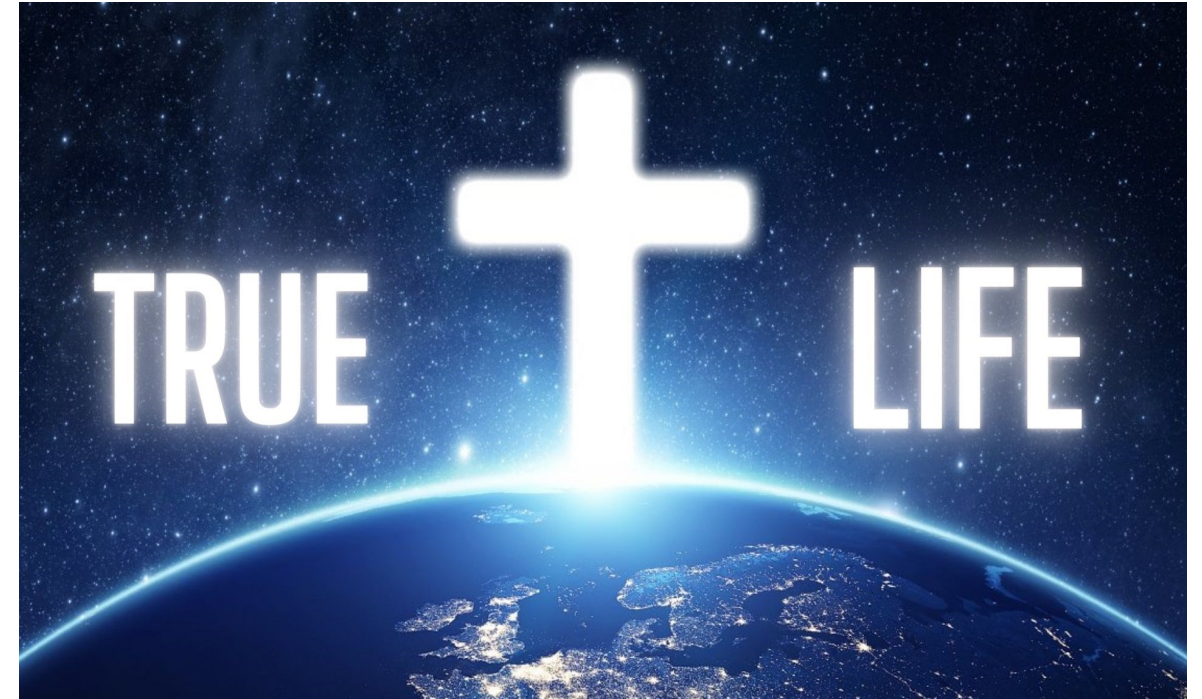
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Church office hours are  
Mon 8:15-2:30, Tues-Fri 8:15-3:30

**Ron Noack**, Custodian

Deadline for putting announcements in the bulletin is every Tuesday by noon. Newsletter information needs to be in the church office by the 21st of every month. The church phone number is 712-324-4894.

# Welcome to the Sheldon United Methodist Church



**Traditional Worship 8:30 am**  
**Modern Worship 11:00 am**

March 26, 2023

**506 8th Street, Sheldon, IA 51201**  
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**sumc@nethtc.net**

## This Week at SUMC (03-26-04-02)

### Confirmation

Sun. 8:30 AM Traditional  
9:30 AM Fellowship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Modern  
6:00 PM True Life Worship  
8:00 PM Youth Bible Study

Mon.  
Tues. 7:00 AM Lent and prayer breakfast  
9:00 AM Village  
9:00 AM Staff

No 3:30-5:00 PM 3rd-4th Kids club

Wed. 9:00 AM Bible Study  
5:00 PM Bells  
5:00-6:30 PM JR IMPACT  
8:00-9:30 PM SR IMPACT

Thurs. No 3:30-5:00 PM 5th-6th Kids Club  
6:00 PM Love INC

Fri.  
Sat.  
Sun. **Palm Sunday, Communion**  
8:30 AM Traditional  
9:15 AM Youth Omelet Breakfast  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Modern  
6:00 PM True Life Worship  
8:00 PM Youth Bible study

## Areas of Service for April

### Liturgist:

March 26, Judy N  
2. Ardis G  
9. Barb M  
16. Matt R  
23. Bill B  
30. Steve F

### Communion:

April 2nd  
Liz Subart &  
Ardis Grein

### Worship Leader:

March 26, Bill B  
2. Ardis G  
9. Ardis G  
16. Bill B  
23. Bill B  
30. Bill B

### 8:30 AM Greeters:

March 26, Jerry & Bev K  
2. Steve F  
9. Julie B  
16. Chris & Liz S  
23. Jerry & Bev K  
30. Steve F

### 11:00 AM Greeters:

March 26, Peter & Karin VB  
2. George & Melissa D  
9. Tony & Deb H  
16. Dave & Michelle G  
23. Henry & Caroline D  
30. Jason & Amanda N

### 8:30 Am Acolyte:

March 26, Kyler/ Kenzie  
2. Jack Brink  
9. Eli Becker  
16. Frahm's  
23. McCuddin's  
30. Jack Brink

### 11:00 AM Acolyte:

March 26, Aubrie/ Jadelyn  
2. Jaxson R/ Hayden H  
9. Jane H/ Tallulah N  
16. Carter K/ Elijah F  
23. Kendalyn S/ Sierra G  
30. Benjamin G/ Caleb S

### Coffee Bar Clean up:

March 26, Peter & Karin VB  
2. Melissa D  
9. Barb M  
16. Michelle G  
23. Henry & Caroline D  
30. Tony & Deb H

## Prayer List:

Otto Lawson Derick Roos Rita Sterler Bob Sterler Carla Hoffmann Gloria Morris  
Arlene Sterler Wilma Meinecke Sandy Johnson Patsy Zoet Marlys Den Hartog  
John Haning (father of Tony Haning)  
Jo Anne Fowler (mother of Steve Fowler) **Stephanie Fowler** (Daughter of Steve & Bernadette Fowler)  
Kay Ver Steeg (sister to Michelle Groen & Melissa Davis) **Connie Matoffe** (sister of Pam Buysman)  
Richard "Dick" Burns— Brother in law of Marcia Wassenaar **Sheila Lienau** (sister of Karin Vander Berg)  
Nick J (friend of Nancy Burley)- Fighting leukemia **Donna Whitfield** (Mother of Michelle Noack)

Conquering Cancer 4 O'Brien County will  
be having a tip night at Sheldon Pizza  
Ranch on Monday March 27th from 5:00–  
7:30 PM.

Then they will be having a bake sale April  
1st at Hy-Vee from 9:00-1:00 PM.

Kiwanis Good Friday Prayer Breakfast  
— April 7, 2023 — 6:30 A.M.

The Prairie Queen and Sheldon Noon Kiwanis Clubs invite you to their annual prayer breakfast. This year the event will be held at the Sheldon Middle School Commons. The guest speaker is Dr. John Hartog, president of North West Iowa Community College. Come enjoy a meal and community gathering. Cost is \$10. You may get tickets from any Kiwanis member.

Hope Haven Inc. will host their Annual benefit Auction on Friday March 31st at Te Slaa Trucking in Hull. Help support individuals with disabilities through this exciting evening of fun and fellowship. The schedule is 4:30 PM doors open, 5:00 PM food booth opens, and 5:30 PM choose from over 450 items in the live auction. Visit [hopehaven.org/events](http://hopehaven.org/events) to see a preview catalog of the items. The whole family is invited to this community fundraiser!

This is the last week to get signed up for the lets connect meal. Be sure to get signed up.

## OMLET Breakfast

IMPACT youth group will be doing there annual omelet breakfast Sunday April 2nd starting at 9:15 am. Free will offering will be collected and go towards future IMPACT youth events and activities.

I would like to thank everyone who made the pancake supper a success. All the people who made this possible, from the people who helped set up, to those who worked the shifts, and those people who stayed after and helped clean up. It was a success because of your willingness to help at a church function. Counting workers we served around 195 people. Thank You!!!! Tony

## Church Logo Contest

Design a Faith Community Church Logo  
Have your finished design to the Church office by noon on Wednesday April 12th.  
Ad Council will select the winning design and the winner will be announced on Sunday April 16th.

**Seder experience— come Thursday April 6th at 6:30 p.m. and have a sampling of the different foods that are eaten for the Jewish traditional Passover meal. Please sign up at the friendship center by March 30th.**



KIWA is a ministry service to our community that airs the worship at 11:00 a.m. each week. This week we don't have a sponsor.



**This week's scripture is:**  
Mark 9:14-29

A reminder that we are in need of four or five people to help clean and organize the kitchen on Monday March 27th at 9:00 AM.

**Sheldon United Methodist Church**  
**8:30 Traditional Service**

March 26, 2023    Confirmation    5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

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Prelude & Lighting of Candles                      Wil George  
Words of Welcome                      Rev. Kevin Gingerich

**\*\*Call To Worship**

Leader: Let all who would seek the love and power of the Lord  
be welcome.

**People: For we were all once lost and each of us in Christ  
received new life.**

Leader: Each of us was once dead to the Lord, but in the Cross  
we now live.

**People: Then let us all come together and sing praise unto  
God's holy name.**

**\*\*Hymn #558 “We Are The Church”**

Introduction of Confirmation Class  
2023 Confirmation Class Creed  
The Apostles Creed

Do You Believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;**

Do You Believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the  
Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was  
crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he as-  
cended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Al-  
mighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

Do You Believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of  
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  
everlasting. Amen.**

Children’s Message

Silent Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (Hymnal #895)

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.

Offering

\*Hymn #364 “Because He Lives”

\*Doxology (Hymn #95)

Scripture Reading: Mark 9:14-29

Sermon: “True Life – Believing”

Service of Confirmation for the Class of 2023:

Confirming of Faith

Reception of membership

\*Hymn #714 “I Know Whom I Have Believed”

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\*Closing Prayer

Postlude

\*All who are able are invited to stand.

Next Week: sermon series “True Life ...”

April 2: Palms, Youth Breakfast, Palm Sunday

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11, Psalm 118:25-29

Sermon: “True Life — Hosanna”, Palm Sunday



**WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!**

On Sunday March 26th these five youth publicly professed their faith in Jesus Christ and confirmed their baptism vows.

**Zekiel Kwende Junius**

**Kyler Michael McCuddin**

**Josiah Thomas Rogers Molettiere**

**Payton Elizabeth Van Meeteren**

**Aubree Cynthia Citori Wenthe**

Many hours of serving others, learning about God's word, learning our creedal values, and being together for study went into this year. As pastor, I am honored to present them to the church! They are a wonderful group of people.

**We welcome them to the family!**

## **2022-2023 Confirmation Class Creed**

We believe that God the Father is part of the triune God. He is the Almighty creator of heaven and earth and everything. God loves us and will try to save us, as well as every person who has ever been on earth and every person who will be on earth. He wants to be our Father.

We believe that Jesus is the Christ and the only son of God who died on the cross for our sins. Jesus was born of the virgin Mary, fulfilled the prophets, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified and buried. On the third day Jesus rose from the dead and sits on the right side of God. Jesus will judge the living and the dead. He is part of the Triune God.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of life, who is part of the Triune God. The Holy Spirit keeps our relationship with God alive and strengthens us. He allows us to know our sins are forgiven.

The Church is the people of God who believe in and worship Him. The church is not a building, but the people. Open to everyone to come to learn about and come to believe in God.

Together we believe that Jesus is the Christ and we are united by the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**