



The Messenger

First United Methodist Church
of Carroll, IA 51401

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OFFICE HOURS:
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
& 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

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Times of worship -

- Saturday Worship 6:00 pm
- Sunday School 9:15 am
- Sunday Worship 10:30 am

The Messenger items are due at the main desk by Monday prior to printing. Watch bulletins for additional activities.

PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE

Next Messenger: March 16th

FUMC STAFF -----

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COMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Please note: Daylight savings time begins Sunday, March 8th – don't forget to set your clocks ahead!!!

March 8 Pastor Bailey will be gone for his granddaughter's baptism in Des Moines

Clay Winterboer will speak on the "State of the Church Report" and draw comparisons to Haggai and the rebuilding of the temple.

March 15 John 10:11-16

"I Am the Good Shepherd" Communion

Special music by Barefoot Becky and the Ivanhoe Dutchmen

Jesus is our shepherd who cares for us in wonderful ways. He protects us. He provides for us. He cares about our concerns and our situations. He loves us so much that He lays down His life for His sheep.

March 22 John 15:1-5 "I Am the True Vine"

It is necessary to be a branch connected to the Vine. Jesus is the true Vine that gives us power to live the Christian life. We are called to "abide" in Him. Without that connection we will wither and die.

Lots of 'Thanks' going around...

Thank you to all for cards, calls, prayers & concerns while I was sick. It was greatly appreciated. *Verona*

Thanks for the soup – It was delicious!

Norm England

Dear Church Family: Thank you for cards, prayers & support to us these past weeks while Kenzie & Jeff were recovering from surgery. Thanks to Pastor Bailey for the visits, prayers and time spent with us! We feel very blessed to have such a wonderful church family!

With love, *The Honolds*

Thank you very much for remembering me with a Christmas care package....I'm sincerely grateful to have been raised by such a fine church. The people and staff are wonderful and it is a great place. Thank you for being part of my life.

Hasting Walsh

Thank you to the WTeam members who supplied a wonderful meal for those attending the Boy's Town Parenting classes, each week for the six week duration. Clay Winterboer made all the main courses. Bravo to Suzi and Gwen Hoffmann (who aren't even WTeam members) for providing child care each of the six weeks.

Thanks to Nancy Baack who designed the beautiful Lenten banners for the Sanctuary. "Well done my true and faithful servant."

PASTOR'S LENTEN STUDY

During the Sundays of Lent Pastor Bailey will be holding Lenten Studies on Sunday afternoons from 4 – 5 p.m. running through Palm Sunday March 29th.

The Study is called "The God We Can Know". We will explore the "I Am" saying of Jesus in the Bible. Our time together will include a video presentation, group discussion, and questions and answers. This is an excellent way to strengthen your knowledge of the Bible and your faith in God. Come and join us this Sunday!

IMAGINE NO MALARIA -----

During the five Sundays in March we will focus on not only the causes of malaria, but also the progress that is being made in the fight against Malaria. Thank you to Audrey Ingram and Lon Evans for setting up the net and mosquito visual in the back of the Sanctuary. We will update each week total of the donations given by our congregation. This week's total \$550.00.

➤ **March 22 - Potato Bar** will be served by the Mission Commission after 10:30 service. Baked potatoes with the 'fixings' will be offered; also hot dogs for those who want them. A free will offering will go toward World Hunger.

COMMUNITY OF CONCERN Food Pantry

This congregation is amazing – after the food drive in December, you again filled the grocery cart in the entry with 45 items in January and another 60 items in February. Members of the Mission Committee record all the donations on a spread sheet and then deliver the items to the Food Pantry.



Please pray for –

Kevin Caltrider
Leigh Davis
Linda Wonder

PRAYER CHAIN CALLERS –

Once a year we revise our Prayer Chain so new people may be added or perhaps others may wish to be taken off for a while. If you would like to join the calling tree or wish any changes, please let me know. Call the church office. 792-1122.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

MARCH 6TH, 2:00 P.M. (ALTERNATE DAY IS MARCH 13TH IF BAD WEATHER). THIS WILL BE HELD AT THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 927 N. CARROLL ST. PROGRAM: "DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I HAVE DONE FOR YOU?" ALL ARE WELCOME.

Coming Calendar Dates FYI

ROAST BEEF DINNER – March 8th, serving 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lanesboro United Methodist Church. Adults \$10.00, children 4 – 10, \$5, 3 and under free.

PORK CHOP DINNER – March 15th, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Adults: \$8, Children 5-12: \$5, 4 & under: free. Lidderdale Holy Family Parish.

PRAYER TREE – There will be a tree in the overflow area of the sanctuary for you to write what your prayer might be for Lent. Perhaps you are praying for the ill, for the homeless, or for a family member, etc. No name required. It could be your Lenten goal or a new insight you've gained.



EASTER PLANTS - If you would like to donate \$10.00 for a spring plant in memory of, or to honor someone, or just because, let Verona or Nina know.

A new wrinkle might be to donate for a shut-in or nursing home resident and then deliver the plant to them after Easter services. That would bring lots of smiles!

Attendance Record

Feb. 21	19
Feb. 22	112
Feb. 28	23
Mar. 1	107

Can't attend church but still want to be a part of the worship? Download a free App from the App Store called: **Livestream**. Then look for FUMC Carroll and you can see the Sunday service as it happens!

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP – A Day of

Communion with God. From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. there will be an opportunity to come at your convenience to our Sanctuary and take communion, read a devotion, and have private prayer, remembering the sacrifice of Jesus. Come any time.

OFFICE HOURS: 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 (noon) & 1:00 to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday

NOTE: Our Sunday services are now shown on Mediacom Channel 6 at 8:00 AM on Wednesday, 11:00 AM on Thursday and 5:00 PM on Saturday.

Calendar for Mar 3rd – 19th, 2015

TUESDAY	Mar. 3
6:30 a.m.	Prayer Walkers
8:30 a.m.	Alanon
6 – 8 p.m.	Alpha
7:00 p.m.	Community Chorus Practice
WEDNESDAY	Mar. 4
1:30 p.m.	UMW Executive Board
2:00 p.m.	UMW Meeting
3:30 p.m.	UM Kids
4:30 p.m.	Confirmation
5:30 p.m.	Jr. High Youth
6:30 p.m.	Youth Meal
7:00 p.m.	Sr. High Youth
THURSDAY	Mar. 5
9:30 a.m.	Methodist Friends Breakfast at the Family Table
5:30 p.m.	Alanon
7:00 p.m.	NA
FRIDAY	Mar. 6
10:00 a.m.	MOM's Playtime
2:00 p.m.	World Day of Prayer at the Presbyterian Church
SATURDAY	Mar. 7
Noon	NA
6:00 p.m.	Saturday Worship
SUNDAY Mar. 8	
<i>Daylight Savings time begins</i>	
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for all Ages
10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship
4 – 5 p.m.	Pastor's Lenten Study
MONDAY	Mar. 9
4:00 p.m.	German Club
5:00 p.m.	TOPS
7:00 p.m.	PA
TUESDAY	Mar. 10
6:30 a.m.	Prayer Walkers
8:30 a.m.	Alanon
6 – 8 p.m.	Alpha
7:00 p.m.	Community Chorus Practice
WEDNESDAY	Mar. 11
4:30 p.m.	Confirmation
5:30 p.m.	Jr. High Youth
6:30 p.m.	Youth Meal
7:00 p.m.	Sr. High Youth
THURSDAY	Mar. 12
5:30 p.m.	Alanon
7:00 p.m.	NA
7:30 p.m.	Compassionate Friends
FRIDAY	Mar. 13
10:00 a.m.	MOM's Playtime
SATURDAY	Mar. 14
Noon	NA
6:00 p.m.	Saturday Worship - Communion
SUNDAY	Mar. 15
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for all Ages
10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship – Communion
	Music by Barefoot Becky
4 – 5 p.m.	Pastor's Lenten Study
MONDAY	Mar. 16
12:30 p.m.	Bloodmobile
5:00 p.m.	TOPS
7:00 p.m.	PA
TUESDAY	Mar. 17
6:30 a.m.	Prayer Walkers
8:30 a.m.	Alanon
11:00 a.m.	Heavenly Bound Book Club At Queen Beans
6 – 8 p.m.	Alpha
7:00 p.m.	Community Chorus Practice
WEDNESDAY	Mar. 18
3:30 p.m.	UM Kids
4:30 p.m.	Confirmation
5:30 p.m.	Jr. High Youth
6:30 p.m.	Youth Meal
7:00 p.m.	Sr. High Youth
THURSDAY	Mar. 19
Noon	Heavenly Bound Book Club At Queen Beans
5:30 p.m.	Alanon
7:00 p.m.	NA

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Mark your Calendars!!!!
VBS will be July 5-9, 2015
Please contact Suzi if you would like to help.
Watch for sign up!



Summer Camp

Join us for the Best. Week. Ever!
2015 Iowa UMC summer camp fun is on the way!

Pick up a Camp Book at the front desk and please talk to Suzi about camperships to make sure anyone who would like to go to camp, has the opportunity!

FUMC/Tiger T-shirts

In an effort to show support for our school we have designed a t-shirt. It will be a black t-shirt with the Methodist Cross and Flame on the front left (pocket area) and beside it, it will say 'Carroll First United Methodist Church'. Underneath that, it will say 'Powered by Prayer'.

On the back there will be a big tiger paw with the scripture of Ezra 10:4 inside of it. "Arise for it is your task, and we are with you; Be strong and do it." To see what this looks like, please stop into the church or go on our website for an order form.

Shirts are \$12 no matter what size and are available in YS, YM, YL Adult S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL or 4 XL. All proceeds will go to the scholarship fund. Please contact Suzi if you have any questions!



Last day to order will be
March 15th!

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The **Heavenly Bound Book Club** is inviting you to come join the discussion and the fun we have every month. **The March date is Tuesday the 17th at 11:00 AM at Queen Beans or come Thursday (the 19th) at noon at Queen Beans.** The Queen Beans Coffee Bar provides a private room and great food. It is Dutch treat.

The March book is called Burning Sky by Lori Benton.

Burning Sky a big winner with the Christy Awards (Awards for Christian Fiction Books) in 2014 winning in the categories of: Book of the Year, First Novel, and Historical.

Abducted by Mohawk Indians at fourteen and renamed Burning Sky, Willa Obenchain is driven to return to her family's New York frontier homestead after many years building a life with the People. At the boundary of her father's property, Willa discovers a wounded Scotsman lying in her path. Feeling obliged to nurse his injuries, the two quickly find much has changed during her twelve-year absence—her childhood home is in disrepair, her missing parents are rumored to be Tories, and the young Richard Waring she once admired is now grown into a man twisted by the horrors of war and claiming ownership of the Obenchain land.

When her Mohawk brother arrives and questions her place in the white world, the cultural divide blurs Willa's vision. Can she follow Tames-His-Horse back to the People now that she is no longer Burning Sky? And what about Neil MacGregor, the kind and loyal botanist who does not fit in her plan for a solitary life, yet is now helping her revive her farm? In the aftermath of the Revolutionary War, strong feelings against "savages" abound in the nearby village of Shiloh, leaving Willa's safety unsure.

Willa is a woman caught between two worlds. As tensions rise, challenging her shielded heart, the woman called Burning Sky must find a new courage—the courage to again risk embracing the blessings the Almighty wants to bestow, and answer the question, "am I brave enough to love again?"

This is a "can't put it down" book! You will be spellbound from the first chapter to the last. Don't shy away from it because it looks too thick... You will read it quickly just to find out what happens next!



WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.
Sundays

6:00 p.m.
Saturdays

Connecting people with God through Worship, Witness, Service, and Sharing