



THE FLOWERS
APPEAR ON
THE EARTH;
THE TIME
OF SINGING
HAS COME!

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:12, NRSV

The Messenger
First United Methodist Church
Carroll, IA

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Next Messenger:
July 1st

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Times of worship ---

Saturday Worship 6:00 pm
Sunday Worship 10:00 am

Summer newsletter schedule ---

During the summer we will publish the newsletter once a month. This is your June newsletter. The July newsletter will come out July 1st.

Other changes at FUMC ---

Our office hours will be changing following the Memorial Day weekend. The hours will be mornings 8:30 to noon and afternoons 1-4:30.

Worship Themes ---

June 5 - Conference Sunday (No church Sat.) - Hymn Sing
Jackie leading

June 12 - Romans 12:9-18///Galatians 5:16-25
"Living for Jesus in Love"

These next few weeks we will be looking at the essence of what it means to be living for Jesus. It is by the fruits of the Spirit. This Sat./Sun. we will look at what it means to live in love.

June 19 - Psalm 30:8-12///John 15:9-1
"Living for Jesus in Joy" Father's Day

The second "fruit" of the Spirit that is listed in Galatians by St. Paul is the fruit of joy. This is an aspect of our Christian life that is often overlooked.

June 26 - Philippians 4:4-7///John 14:27& 16:33
"Peace – God's Gift in Jesus"

The fruit of living in Jesus is a heart of peace. This is a gift given by Jesus and a fruit for others to witness in the live of a believer in Christ.

July 3 - Colossians 3:12-14///Colossians 1:9-12
"Being Patient" 4th of July Weekend

Continuing with our "Living for Jesus" series on the fruit of the spirit we look at one of the hardest qualities for us to produce in our lives. How can we learn to be more patient?

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Calendar for June 1st - July 6th ---

WEDNESDAY	June 1
THURSDAY	June 2
9:30 a.m.	<i>Friends Breakfast @ Family Table</i>
FRIDAY	June 3 Annual Conference
SATURDAY	June 4 Annual Conference
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SUNDAY	June 5 Annual Conference
10:00 a.m.	<i>Sunday Worship</i>
MONDAY	June 6
4:30 p.m.	<i>TOPS</i>
TUESDAY	June 7
7am-9pm	<i>Voting here for Ward 2</i>
11:00 a.m.	<i>Devotions at Hawkeye Care Center</i>
WEDNESDAY	June 8
6:30 p.m.	<i>Administrative Council</i>
THURSDAY	June 9
FRIDAY	June 10
SATURDAY	June 11
9:30 a.m.	<i>Carroll County Historical Society</i>
6:00 p.m.	<i>Saturday Worship</i>
SUNDAY	June 12
10:30 a.m.	<i>Sunday Worship</i>
MONDAY	June 13
4:00 p.m.	<i>German Club</i>
4:30 p.m.	<i>TOPS</i>
TUESDAY	June 14
11:00 a.m.	<i>Devotions at Hawkeye Care Center</i>
WEDNESDAY	June 15
10:30 a.m.	<i>Swan Place Devotions</i>
6:00 p.m.	<i>VBS Decorating</i>
THURSDAY	June 16
FRIDAY	June 17
SATURDAY	June 18
6:00 p.m.	<i>Saturday Worship</i>
SUNDAY	June 19— Father's Day
10:00 a.m.	<i>Sunday Worship</i>
11:00 a.m.	<i>Education Meeting</i>
MONDAY	June 20
12:30-5:15	<i>LifeServe Blood Drive</i>
4:30 p.m.	<i>TOPS</i>
TUESDAY	June 21
11:00 a.m.	<i>Devotions at Hawkeye Care Center</i>
11:00 a.m.	<i>Heavenly Bound Book Club at Queen Beans</i>
WEDNESDAY	June 22
6:00 p.m.	<i>VBS Decorating</i>
THURSDAY	June 23
Noon	<i>Heavenly Bound Book Club at Queen Beans</i>
1:00-3:00 p.m.	<i>4H</i>
FRIDAY	June 24
SATURDAY	June 25
6:00 p.m.	<i>Saturday Worship</i>
SUNDAY	June 26
10:00 a.m.	<i>Sunday Worship-Choir</i>
MONDAY	June 27
4:00 p.m.	<i>German Club</i>
4:30 p.m.	<i>TOPS</i>
TUESDAY	June 28
11:00 a.m.	<i>Devotions at Hawkeye Care Center</i>
WEDNESDAY	June 29
6:00 p.m.	<i>VBS Decorating</i>
Newsletter Articles Due	
THURSDAY	June 30
FRIDAY	July 1
6:30 - ???	<i>Movie Night (see article below)</i>
SATURDAY	July 2
6:00 p.m.	<i>Saturday Worship</i>
SUNDAY	July 3
10:00 a.m.	<i>Sunday Worship</i>
MONDAY	July 4
TUESDAY	July 5
11:00 a.m.	<i>Devotions at Hawkeye Care Center</i>
WEDNESDAY	July 6
6:00 p.m.	<i>VBS Decorating</i>

Thoughts from Pastor Bailey...



“Summertime and the living is easy.” (George Gershwin)

I love the slow pace of the song “Summertime”! It was written by George Gershwin and sung by Ella Fitzgerald. The easy and restful sound of the music has a way of calming our hearts. God wants our lives to be like that – filled with calm, peace, and restfulness. Yet we seem to live lives (at any and every age) filled with hurry?

I have watched my grandkids in the last year show me how we should live. They can stop and get down close to a slow moving bug going across a sidewalk and be content with learning about its essence. They don't worry about tomorrow or if they are going too slow in the life's pace. They take each day at a time and enjoy the moments.

Almost 50 years ago researchers, Drs. Friedman and Rosenman noticed an odd pattern shared by many of their cardiac patients. It was a pattern that centered on a “chronic sense of time urgency.” The patients showed a commonality in their irritability at being made to wait in line, their difficulty in relaxing, and anxiousness over delays. They seemed to be forever rushing; spoke quickly, interrupted often, and hurried those around them. The cardiologist called the new disease “hurry sickness.”

This “hurry sickness” is a part of our culture today. Yet Jesus calls us the find an easier life. No matter what age you might be (young or old) may God help you to live a life of “ease”. Come to Jesus and find rest for your souls.

*May God be with you,
 Pastor Dennis Bailey*

Please pray for ...

- Angie (Sikkema) Owens
- Sue Prior
- Phyllis Blanchard
- Ruth Robbins
- Verona Fuller
- Marilyn Markey
- Rev. Darwin Moore – Harlan UMC



Don't forget!!!



No Saturday Evening Service on June 4th.

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Look what is happening ---

We have a fun evening planned in June! However you keep your calendar – on the fridge or on your phone, get it updated for June 24th. Starting with a meal of hot dogs and pulled chicken (please bring a salad or dessert) at 6:30 p.m. outside on the Main Street side of our church, we will play games and then watch a movie around 8:30 or 9 p.m. What fun! Bring lawn chairs or blankets!



Our sympathy goes to ---

Sonia Walsh on the loss of her Grandmother.

VBS Decorating ---

You know we love to make Vacation Bible School a wonderful experience for the kids attending. Decorating the church makes that experience come alive for those kids. Please come help us change our church into a cave for VBS!

Decorating starts Wednesday, June 15th at 6:00 p.m. We will meet Wednesday evenings through the rest of June at 6:00 p.m. No experience or talent required!!!



Every homeowner knows a great deal of maintenance is required for general upkeep of a home. Our church is no different, and the trustees have kept up with our concerns through the years. Recently, the needs of the church have gone beyond this general upkeep, to the point that department heads decided to work together on a growing number of immediate needs.

Trustee chairman Mike Davis, along with our lay leader and members of the Administrative Board, Pastor Staff Parish Relations, and Finance Commission, met to the address the issue and identified the six areas needing the most immediate attention:

- Restroom renovations.
- Parking lot resurfacing.
- Energy conservation, including air-conditioning.
- Carpets and entry area updates.
- Kitchen remodel.
- Sanctuary upgrade.

This informal group approached the Administrative Board for approval to form committees that will brainstorm ideas and create budgets for each project. In turn, these committees will report back to the administrative board when they have completed work on proposals and related budgets.

Groups, which consist of one trustee member and others from the congregation, have already begun work on identifying needs within each area. No deadline has been set for completion of tasks at this time. The congregation will be kept informed as plans progress.

Summer is almost here – Make camp plans now !

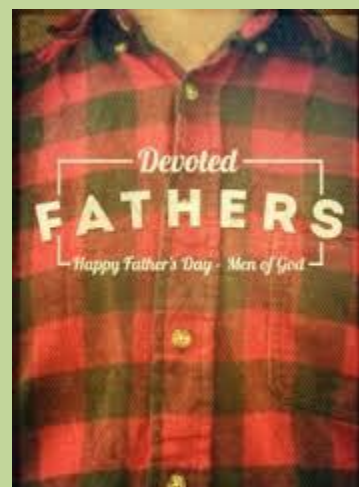


Check out the camp books on the front desk of the church. The camps offer many different activities at each of the three different sites across the state and they know that you will have the best week ever making new friends, learning about faith, and trying something new.

Camp can have a huge impact on your child and we would like to help make that difference in their life. If you would like to send your child to camp but feel that it is a little too expensive, come talk to Suzi and she will try to work something out with you. Our church will help cover some of the cost and camps also have camperships available.

Father's Day ---

Father's Day is June 19th. We thank our father-figures who have given us life and a love for life.



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Communion in June ---



Communion will be
Saturday evening
and Sunday morning
June 25th & 26.

Jr. High Sunday School Café ---

The Café Sunday School Class of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders made cookies and delivered them to various people in our congregation. One family wrote a note to the kids saying that the cookies were appreciated and it was nice to be remembered. Another person wrote thanking our church and the class for the kind thoughts, warm hugs, get well prayers, and the cookies. Good job, Lisa Honold and the Café class!

This class also put up wind spinners on the kitchen and Wilma Mohler room windows to see if it will keep the male cardinal from attacking the reflections.

New Look ---

Hope you will check out the new hardcopy Messenger when it comes in your mail. We will have lightly colored paper after this first one.

We welcome your thoughts. And it will improve, we hope, as we have time to develop it.

Already we know the calendar form is not going to be functional long term.

Thanks...

Communications ---

Dear First United Methodist Church,

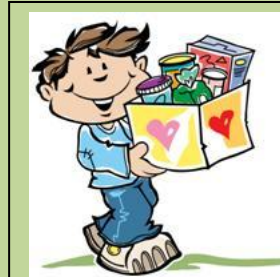
Thanks you so much for the opportunity to use your space for auditions for the Carroll Community Theater Monday through Wednesday (May 9-11). It was very helpful and we really appreciate it. We look forward to a great show. Thanks again!
Colleen Dermody, Carroll Community Theater

Food Pantry Summer needs ---

The pantry says they are in need of personal items such as laundry soap, bath soaps, deodorants, shampoos, feminine hygiene products, toilet paper and toothpaste.

The food products that the pantry especially needs are: Canned fruit, jelly or jam to go with the peanut butter, and hamburger helper.

The grocery cart is by the front desk! Thanks for sharing and caring ...



Last Month's Blood Drive ---

We had 26 donations and saved 58 lives.

Next LifeServe blood drive will be June 20th from 12:30-5:15

Community Events ---

Free Meal at St. John's Lutheran Church –June 8th, 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

"Welcome to Medicare" will be presented by Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) and Elderbridge Area Agency on Aging.

It will cover many of topics regarding Medicare plans, insurance, and benefits.

It will be the first Thursday of every month, June through December, from 7-9 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church Parish Hall.

Registration required. Call 712.792.3512 Ext. 7025 (leave a message, please).

Voting will be here for Ward 2 on June 7th from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Monday, May 30th, 5-8 pm, Team Schroeder will be benefitting from their service at Pizza Ranch for the American Cancer Society. Come and eat to help out!

Meetings Coming up ---

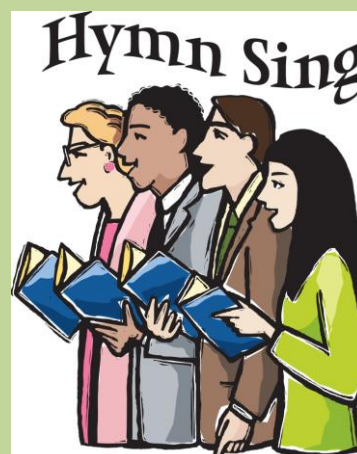
->**Friends Breakfast**, June 2nd, 9:30 a.m. at the Family Table.

->**Annual Conference for the Iowa United Methodist Church** will be Friday, June 3rd through Monday, June 6th. Pastor Bailey, Suzi Olberding, and Jason Bush will be attending to represent our church.

-> **Administrative Council** will meet Wednesday, June 8th at 6:30 p.m.

It is fun! Come join us ---

Come join us for church service Sunday morning, June 5th for the Hymn Sing.



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(June 4th)

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VBS 2016

WHO: Ages: Potty trained 3 years old to those leaving 5th Grade

WHEN: Sunday July 17th-Thursday July 21st, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Check in starts for all kids at 5:15 p.m. on July 17th so we can start VBS at 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: First United Methodist Church

To register: Go online at:

www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/Carrollumc

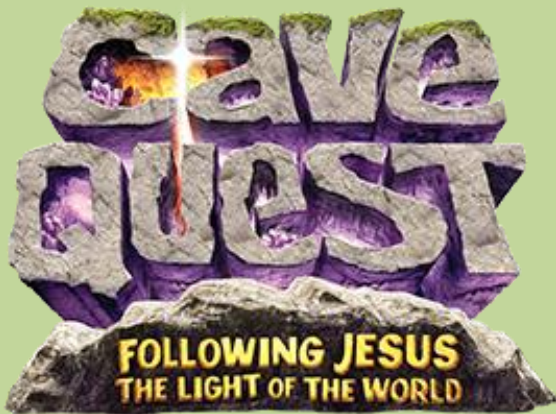
or look for a link at <http://carrollunitedmethodist.org>

Pre-register by July 1st and receive \$5 off the family price or \$2 off individual price

We love to have parents help!

Please contact Suzi for a volunteer form or sign up on the website and she will contact you!!

Scholarships are available by contacting Suzi at the church office at 712-792-1122



*Admission is
 \$15 per child
 or \$35 per family.*

We need your talents at VBS!

What would you like to do?

We have openings in leading the fun sciencey gizmos with Sondra Rierson.

Tammy Murray needs someone to help with KidVid Videos (DVDs).

Could you join with Lacie Tedrow to be the person behind the camera taking pictures of all the VBS action?

Those with talents in storytelling, do we have a place for you! Watch the kids eyes get wide as you make the Bible stories come to life!

Please join the fun!!!

Adults to youth who have completed 6th grade can sign up as guides to get kids from place to place.

We would love to have parents help!

Please contact Suzi for a volunteer form or sign up on the website and she will contact you!!

VBS NEEDS:

Pure Acetone (16 oz)
 Aluminum Foil
 Baby Shampoo
 Backpack
 2 orange or yellow bandanas
 Battery operated toys
 6 beach balls
 5 baggies of dried beans (small)
 2 White twin bed sheets
 Solid colored bed sheets
 Large binder clips
~~Toy binoculars~~
 12 ft 2x4 board
 Wool blanket
 Cave books or old plain books
 Clear plastic bowl (large)
 Battery operated flameless pillar candles (5)
 Large Candy bars (5)
 Long length of cardboard
 Large Cardboard boxes
 Eco friendly spray chalk (10 Cans)
 Christmas lights
 Battery operated Christmas lights
 Fake compass
 50 pounds of cornstarch
 8- 100 count bags of cotton balls
 5 oz plastic cups (200)
 15 large plastic cups not disposable
 Diffuser or Vaporizer
 Cave gear
 Variety of bird feathers
 Lantern Flashlights (6)
 Flashlights (lots)
 Flameless tea lights (Lots)
 Red glow sticks (30)
 Glue dots (5 packages)
 Icicle lights
 Lemons (5)
 Paper plates (150)
 Dark Plastic bin with lid (to hold flashlights)
 2-Shallow plastic bin (under the bed bin)
 Unsalted rice cakes 2-3 pkgs.
 Small rocks, plain rocks, florescent rocks(5)
 3-4 Colored rope lights
~~3-Safety goggles~~
 Squirrt bottles (15)
 Starburst
~~Paint stir sticks (6)~~
 Drinking straws (250)
 Superhero dress up clothes, crowns, capes
 Yellow table tennis balls (4)
 Black tablecloth
 5 tennis balls
 Toilet plunger (new)
 Vinegar
 Ziplock sandwich bags (800)

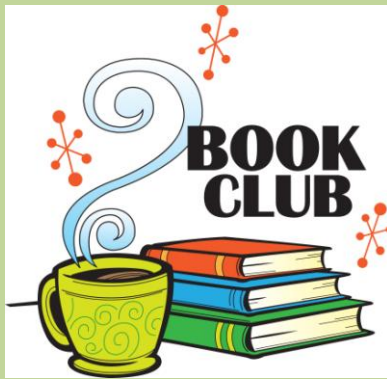
Change of Seasons Consignment Shop donated 20 pairs of little children's binoculars for VBS. Thanks to them! Have you checked the list for things you can donate or loan to us?

New Items:

Great Stuff foam spray
 Brown shipping paper rolls
 Harness or rope harness
 Large car washing sponges
 Stuffed toy frog

You may want to call Suzi before buying VBS items to make sure no one has already purchased those items. Suzi's cell phone is 210-3593 so you can check with her from the store before you put the item in your cart!!

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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 June dates are Tuesday the 21st, at 11:00 AM at Queen Beans or come Thursday, the 23rd at noon at Queen Beans. The Queen Beans Coffee Bar provides a private room (sometimes) and great food. It is Dutch treat.

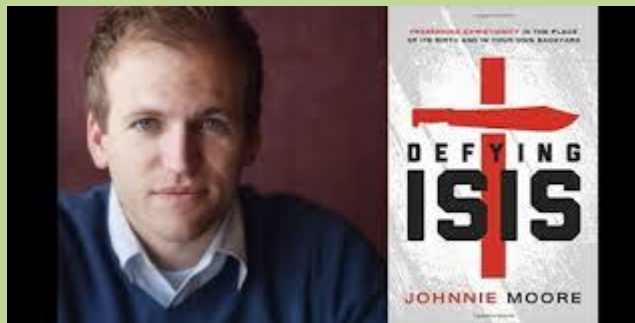
Our May book is Defying ISIS

*Preserving Christianity in the Place of its Birth and in Your Own Backyard
By Johnnie Moore*

A Christian genocide at the hands of Islamic extremists is unfolding in the Middle East. Entire Christian populations have been eliminated, and the ultimate aim of ISIS is to eradicate the world of Christianity.

They are well on their way. Thousands of Christians facing this religious persecution arrive in refugee camps daily as tents can be seen for miles across Jordan, Lebanon, and Iraq.

Churches have been demolished, crosses burned and replaced with ISIS flags, homes destroyed, entire communities displaced, religious conversions forced, human torture enacted, children slaughtered, and all in plain sight.



**"Silence in the
face of evil
is itself evil."
-Dietrich Bonhoeffer**