



*Welcome Guests and Visitors*

We are delighted you have chosen to worship here today. To know more about First United Methodist Church, its ministries, activities and growth opportunities, please pick up a Newsletter at the Welcome Center in the lobby. Thank you!

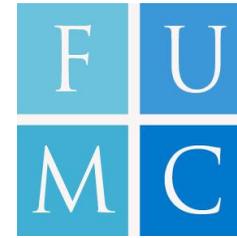
*Nursery Available*

Parents are encouraged to bring children ages 6 weeks to 3 years old to the nursery before or during the worship service. The nursery is located through the hallway door to the left of the lobby, across from Fellowship Hall, and is the first door on the right once you round the curve of the hallway. Ushers can assist you with directions as well.

**Church Staff**

Pastor	Rev. Richard T. Carlson
Pastor, Youth/Education	Rev. Barbara A. Ross
Liturgist	Cindy Palm
Music Director	Matthew Weber
Assistant Choir Director	Earl Rigsby
Bell Choir Director	Jonathan Besancon
Organist	Ryan Krause
Radio	Steve Muchow and Justin Potts
Multi Media	Glenn Lambert and Frank Scheid
Office Administrator	Amy Didricksen
Child Care Provider	Shelby Didricksen
Building Maintenance	Todd Fletcher
	George Rowe
	Ron Rabe

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## Welcome

At a dinner in honor of John B. Fulton of Phoenix, Arizona, speaker after speaker paid tribute to Fulton as the state's greatest banker, rancher and manufacturer. All of them told how Fulton had come to Phoenix sixty years earlier with tattered clothes and nothing but a pack on his back. A newspaper reporter in the audience couldn't get that image out of his head, so after the ceremonies he asked the 80 year-old what he had in that backpack. Fulton drew deeply on a cigar, blew some smoke casually and replied, "Two million dollars in cash."

Legends usually are sustained on the absence of details. I am glad you are here to explore the detailed truth of the Son of God. Welcome!

Rick Carlson,  
Pastor



## Announcements

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** - Faith, Hope and **Love** in Action

♥ Next **Breakfast for the Hungry** at the Vineyard Church will be **Wednesday, March 7**. The sign-up is on the UMW bulletin board if you would like to help prepare a warm breakfast for about 60 guests.

## Time to Start Thinking About Baseball!

Our annual outing to the Kane County Cougars baseball game will on July 21, 2018 versus the South Bend Cubs. The game starts at 6:30 pm. Tickets will be \$15.00 and include box seats close to the field, our name on the jumbo-tron, a pre-game concert by American English, and post game fireworks. Christ Palm will be collecting money for tickets until March 25. This is always a highlight for our church family. Please see or contact Chris Palm with ticket money or any questions.



Week #8

Year to Date Budget \$70,560

Year to Date Received \$97,646

Last 4 Weeks Income	January 28 (5)	February 4 (6)	February 11 (7)	February 18 (8)
Giving Income	\$5,963	\$15,043	\$8,520	\$5,165
Miscellaneous Income	\$25	\$120	\$0	\$1,750
Second Sunday Offering			\$342	\$80
Totals	\$5,988	\$15,163	\$8,862	\$6,995

\*Needed Weekly Income \$8,820

## Today's Ministry Support

Acolytes: Jenna Fox

Greeters: Renee Merrill and Aimee Gerschefske

Fellowship: Coffee, tea and treats are offered in Fellowship Hall at the close of the worship service. Treats are provided by Carolyn Barclay.

Altar Flowers: Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Art and Mary Krambeer by all of their children and grandchildren.

Radio: The Sunday worship service is delay-broadcast from 11:00 am to noon on WRMN 1410. This week's broadcast is sponsored in loving memory of Art and Mary Krambeer by all of their children and grandchildren.

## The Week Ahead...

SUN	9:00 am	Traditional Service	10:00 am	Fellowship
	10:30 am	Anxious for Nothing Adult Sunday School	3:00 pm	Chocolat Lenten series
	6:00 pm	Chamber Music on the Fox Dress Rehearsal		
MON	9:00 am	Quilters Group	9:00 am	Blue Box Coffee Group
	5:30 pm	Soup Kettle	7:30 pm	Chamber Music on the Fox Performance
TUES	10:00 am	Office Staff Meeting	7:00 pm	Heartland Voices Rehearsal
WED	9:30 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry	6:30 pm	Anchor Youth Wednesday Nights
	6:30 pm	Celebration Ringers practice	6:30 pm	Guys Stuff
	6:30 pm	Wednesday Night Women's Group	7:00 pm	Cathedral Choir practice
THURS	9:00 am	Reflections Women's Bible Study	7:00 pm	Heartland Voices Rehearsal
FRI				
SAT	9:00 am	Bach Around the Clock		

## Weekly Classes

**Adult Sunday School Study** – *Sundays at 10:30 am in the Wesley Room*  
*Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World* is a six week study in which we will examine Philippians 4:4–8 and see how we can be anxious for nothing and learn how to discover true peace that surpasses human understanding, from God. Sunday school meets at 10:30 in the Wesley Room.

**Grace and *Chocolat* Lenten Study** – *3:00 pm in Rogers Hall*  
*Grace and Chocolat* resumes in Rogers Hall. Vianne's father studied Mayan herbal medicines and found a bride who taught him about the healing properties of chocolate. Is there a recipe for restoring estranged relationships? Come at 3:00 in the afternoon, enjoy another segment of the movie and sample the deliciously mysterious subject matter: chocolate! This week's "evidence" includes Liz Zuniga's chocolate pie as well as samples from some of the Fox Valley's specialty shops.

**Guys Stuff** - *Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the East Conference Room*  
*The Trouble with the Truth* - Beneath our differences about the values that should define our culture is a real disagreement about what is true. Those who hold to the traditional beliefs of the Christian faith find themselves at odds with a culture that no longer believes there are universal spiritual or moral truths that apply to everyone. This six week study explores the truth - why it's in trouble, what the culture tells us about it, and why the church is so confused about it.

**Wednesday Night Women's Group** – *6:30pm in the Wesley Room*  
The current study is *Quieting Your Heart, a Study of the Book of Luke*, by Darlene Schacht. This is an opportunity to meet with other women in an informal, open environment to learn, grow, and share together. The study guide will be provided so there is no book or materials to purchase.



## FUMC Anchor Youth Elgin Student Ministry (AYESM)

Hello everyone! I, Rev. Barbara A. Ross, Youth Pastor, at FUMC Elgin, IL; have some very important and exciting news to share with the entire church! On Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at 5:30 pm, at FUMC in the D.C. Cook Room, I will host the My “**ORANGE**” Vision event. If you truly want your church to grow then you really want to be at this event! At this event I will cast my vision for the FUMC AYESM Department. I want to get to know each and every child, every parent, and every member. Please mark your calendars and invite friends, family, and others to attend. There will be pizza, games, and prizes! Please wear something that is **orange** and casual to this event! More details to come in the March 2018 issue of the FUMC Newsletter. God bless each one of you! Pastor Barbara

**Anchor Youth Sunday Mornings** currently meets at 10:10 am in the D.C. Cook Room under the leadership of Youth Pastor, Rev. Barbara A. Ross. She has already begun to use a new and exciting curriculum. The youth are very excited about this very engaging and exciting new curriculum.

**Anchor Youth Wednesday Nights** currently meets Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the D. C. Cook Room under the leadership of Youth Pastor, Rev. Barbara A. Ross. They are having a great time getting to know each other while they are learning, playing games, and having fun.

**Anchor Kids Sunday Mornings**- ages 6 weeks to 3 years old - currently meets in the nursery – before and/or during the worship service. The nursery is located through the hallway door to the left of the lobby, across from Fellowship Hall, and is the first door on the right once you round the curve of the hallway. Ushers can assist you with directions as well.

### We are still in the process of organizing:

**Anchor Kids Sunday Mornings**- ages 4 to 5 years old - which will meet Sundays at 10:10 am in the Kindergarten Room.

**Anchor Pre-Teens Sunday Mornings** - ages 6 to 11 years old - which will meet Sundays at 10:10 am in the classrooms on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floors.