



**First United Methodist Church**

Welcome! We're glad that you are here.  
To all who need comfort; all who need friendship;  
all who are lonely and need companionship;  
all who want sheltering love, all who sin  
and need a Savior; and whosoever will  
—we open wide our doors and say,  
“Come; let us worship together.”

**9:30am Sunday Worship Service**

**June 25, 2017**

**Prelude**  
**Words of Welcome and Announcements**

**\* Opening Prayer (In Unison)**

**May the sun rise up in front of us, may the rain fall behind us, and the wind follow beside us. May God guard our travels, for the Lord know the road ahead of each of us. Keep us safe, Lord, through the swirling turns and rolling hills of not only the road but also of life. Let the eagles guide us to the mountaintops, let the moonlight guide us through the night, let the air of spring breathe life into each of our souls, to begin a new journey and adventure, out on the open road following our savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.**

**\* Hymn #140 “Great is Thy Faithfulness”**

**\* Call to Worship**

**L:** On this glorious day, we come to worship our God and creator.

**P:** **We come to hear God’s word and share the Gospel.**

**L:** We hear God all through creation and the journeys in our lives. Whether on motorcycles, or bicycles or something else, we follow God’s call.

**P:** **We praise the glorious name of God. We splendor at the beautiful world that was created for us by our loving God.**

**L:** We thank God for our lives.

**ALL:** **God is present here in our worship, life and our world.**

**Let us be unified through the oneness of God. Let us proclaim the Gospel throughout the world. Amen**

**\* Sharing the Peace of Christ**

“Peace be with you. And also with you!”

(Take this time to greet one another in Christ’s love.)

**Children’s Moment**

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**  
**Pastoral Prayer**  
**Silent Prayer**  
**Lord’s Prayer**

**Scripture Lesson Jeremiah 29:11-14/ Ephesians 3:2-6**

**L:** This is the word of God for the people of God.

**P:** **Thanks be to God.**

**\* Hymn #159 “Lift High the Cross”**

**\* Gospel Lesson- Matthew 13:11-13**

**Message “Life’s Mysteries”**  
**Pastor Joey Garcea**

**Offertory Sentence**

Please use this time to register your attendance in the red booklets found at the end of each pew and pass it along your row.

**Offertory**

**\* Doxology # 95**

**Offering Prayer**

**Generous God, you are the source of abundant life. You reveal a great mystery: those who lose their life for the sake of your Son will find it. When we are aware of loss, send your Holy Spirit to help us trust in your steadfast love. You are transforming our lives and this world as surely as you have transformed the cross by Christ’s resurrection. Let our gifts bring vitality to the healing ministries of this community of faith. We ask this in the name of our risen Lord Jesus. Amen. (Matthew 10:24-39)**

**\* Apostle’s Creed**

**\* Hymn #553 “And Are We Yet Alive” (vs 1-4)**

**\* Benediction**

**Blessing of the Bikes**  
**(Pastor Joey will give instruction)**

**In Our Prayers**

John Hamm, Glen Brunner, John Powell, Rex Felten, Eli, Bill Remrey, Jerod Wood, Savannah Jones, Wilma Brunner, Ed Arb, Susan Mangler, Judy Orn, Joan Miller, Elizabeth Rath, Shawn Roling, Jeremy Leitzen, Jessica Boyer, Robin Cook, Melinda Dykema, Shirley Hastings, Loran Almedi, Jim Chaplin, Del Roberts, Diana Chaplin, Kevin Hersey, Military Personnel and their families

**Altar Flowers in Honor of Kirk Hoffman’s 14<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- June 25 Kirk Hoffman, Paul Mayer
- 26 Jason Fosdick, Jon Darrow, Karen Wallace, Lori Miller, Paula Mayer
- 28 Linda Jachino
- 30 *Larry & Lynette Thomson, Michele & Mike Reagan*
- July 2 Jeremy Schoenhaar
- 5 Jeff Doran, Sarah Neumiller, Wendy Reitemeier, *Rhonda & Jeff Law*
- 6 Judy Greenfield, Molly Andersen

**Calendar**

**Sunday, June 25 Blessing of the Bikes**

9:30 am Worship

**Monday, June 26**

9 am Body & Soul Yoga

**Thursday, June 29**

8 am Breakfast (Café Crumbles)/ Bible Study

9 am Body & Soul Yoga

**Saturday, July 1**

8:30 am Weight Watchers- Fellowship Hall

5 pm Worship

**Sunday, July 2**

9:30 am Worship

**Monday, July 3**

9 am Body & Soul Yoga

**Tuesday, July 4**

**Office Closed**

**Thursday, July 6**

8 am Breakfast (Café Crumbles)/ Bible Study

9 am Body and Soul Yoga

**Saturday, July 8**

8:30 am Weight Watchers- Fellowship Hall

5 pm Worship

**Sunday, July 9**

9:30 am Worship

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **We welcome all visitors** to our Worship time today. We are glad you're here. Our slogan is Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors. We are the people of the United Methodist Church.
2. **Friendly reminder** to Suzanne Atherton! You are the verifier for next Sunday!
3. If you need to get ahold of **Pastor Joey** and he is not in the office, please call him on his cell! 815-656-0362!
4. Please **pick-up your Telstar** after the service! They are located in the Narthex.
5. **July 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm the UMW** will be having a **picnic** at LaVona Grissinger's house. 603 Cragmoor St. Savanna. There will be a business meeting that evening following the picnic. If you have any questions please contact LaVona at 603-397-9868. **All women are encouraged to attend!**
6. **The Mt. Carroll UMC** has a mission trip planned for July 31 to the **Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham, IL**. They are collecting items for the flood buckets. If anyone would like to donate items, following is a list-

**6 to 14oz insect repellent**

**16 to 28oz dish soap**

**Dust masks**

**50 clothes pins**

**25oz OR 50oz liquid laundry detergent**

Items will be picked up July 24. If you have any questions contact **Cindy Law 815-273-2585**.

## Worship Helpers Pastor Joey Garcea

**MUSICIAN:** Vivian Eaton  
**ADMINISTRATIVE ASST:** Shauna Roberts  
**CUSTODIAN:** Kay Cavanagh  
**GROUNDKEEPER:** Don Kramer

## June 25 Blessing of the Bikes

**Acolyte:**  
**Audio:** Kris Yingling  
**Children's Time:** Pastor Joey  
**Coffee Hour: Luncheon**  
**Communion:** x  
**Greeters:** Deb Long  
**Liturgist:** Burt Dauphin  
**Media:** Rhonda Badtke  
**Nursery:** Rhonda Law, Brigit Jepsen  
**Ushers:** Jessica Boyer, Badtke Family

## July 2

**Acolyte:**  
**Audio:** Burt Prins  
**Children's Time:** Pastor Joey  
**Coffee Hour:**  
**Communion:**  
**Greeters:**  
**Liturgist:** Molly Andersen  
**Media:** Paul Mayer  
**Nursery:** Kathie Prins  
**Ushers:** Charlene & Paula Mayer, Merle Law, Pam Darrow



## First United Methodist Church

**Sunday, 9:30am**

*"You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, and with all your soul,  
and with all your mind, and with all your strength,  
and you shall love your neighbor as yourself."*  
--Jesus Christ

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