



**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.”

9:30 am Sunday Worship

July 31, 2022

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Susan Michele Jepsen

L: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**P: God's love and warm embrace last forever.**

L: When we cry out in distress, the Lord hears our call.

**P: Praise the Lord who delivers us from sin and death.**

L: Christ calls us to clothe ourselves in righteousness.

**P: Worship the One who wraps us with justice, and helps us grow in the image of our Creator.**

L: Love well, for your heart is where your treasure is.

**ALL: May our hearts be filled with God's blessings, divine provisions that meet our true needs.**

HYMN #2158 “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

1 I am weak, but thou art strong;

Jesus, keep me from all wrong;

I'll be satisfied as long

as I walk, let me walk close to thee.

Refrain:

Just a closer walk with thee,

grant it, Jesus, is my plea,

daily walking close to thee:

Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

2 Through this world of toil and snares,  
if I falter, Lord, who cares?

Who with me my burden shares?

None but Thee, dear Lord, none but thee. [Refrain]

3 When my feeble life is o'er,

time for me will be no more;

guide me gently, safely o'er

to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. [Refrain]

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison): **Loving and forgiving God, be present with us now, as we offer praise and thanksgiving for the abundance we have received though your grace. You have gathered us in, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south, to be your people. Like a loving parent, you have sustained our needs—sharing your love with us, satisfying our thirst, and filling our hunger with good things. Help us, Lord, to heed your call, that we might find deliverance through Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

THE APOSTLE'S CREED #881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And 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 ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. 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.

GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21 (NRSV)

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

L: The Word of God for the People of God

**P: Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE: “Who is Rich toward God?” Pastor Dave

SPECIAL MUSIC

1. Kids Singing – Jiwon and Jisung Yim “God is so Good”

2. Saxophone – Jiho Yim “Jesus Loves Me”

3. Solo – Pastor Dave “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

4. Accordion – Vivian Eaton “Springs of Living Water”

5. Saxophone Solo – Brennon Cavanagh

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

(Text Pastor Dave, 224-600-0446)

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER: 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 OURSELVES

DOXOLOGY#95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison): **O God, we stand before you as a people of faith, investing our lives and our treasures for the glory of your kingdom. Bless these gifts and those who gave them, in Jesus’ precious name. Amen.**

HYMN #2149 “Living for Jesus” (v.1-2 only)

1 Living for Jesus a life that is true, striving to please him in all that I do, yielding allegiance glad-hearted and free, this is the pathway of blessing for me.

Refrain:  
O Jesus, Lord and Savior,  
I give myself to thee;  
for thou in thy atonement  
didst give thyself for me.

I own no other master,  
my heart shall be thy throne,  
my life I give, henceforth to live,  
O Christ, for thee alone.

2 Living for Jesus, who died in my place,  
bearing on Calvary my sin and disgrace,  
such love constrains me to answer his call,  
follow his leading, and give him my all.  
[Refrain]

BENEDICTION

GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD Vivian Eaton

You can also find our online service on our Church Website  
We welcome all visitors to our Worship time today  
We are glad you are here.  
Our slogan is Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.  
We are the people of the United Methodist Church.

**In Our Prayers**

Tim Cavanagh, Denise Curtis, Billy David, Emilee Derrer, Jim Eaton, Bill Eyerly (father of Cori Moore), Merry Florence, Matthew Foltz, Tanya Forbes (niece of Bonnie Davies), Shirley Fritz, Sandy Gabriel, Bob Grissinger, Rhonda Harlock Smith, John Irons, Sharon Johnson, Don Kramer, Dallas Kosier, Judy Law, Charlene Mayer, James Morris Jr (son of Esther Losh), Collen Olsen, Bonnie Parker, Dan Piercy, Rich Rathje, Rhea (friend of Bonnie Davies), Bill Robinson, Salvador Sanchez, Ron Smith, Alice Stallings, Grace Struve, Pastor Sylvester, Tod Tietjens, Alice Riffe Torrison, Joy Turner, Scarlette (daughter of Ashley Huebner), Eli (Grandson of Bob & LaVona Grissinger), Gi-Tae Yim (Father of Pastor Dave), Jackie Walker, Josephine Gherardini.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, Dorothy Taylor, Bill Weidman, Steve Yenny.  
Our country & government. Military Personnel & their families. Global economic crisis. The safety of Ukrainians and the end of the war, farmers in the fields.

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

July  
31 – Deeann Kramer  
August  
1 – Tom Neumiller  
4 – Joe Guilinger

**CALENDAR**

Monday, August 1  
1 pm Sewing Ladies  
3:30 – 5 pm WC Food Pantry & School Supply distribution  
Tuesday, August 2  
5 pm – 7 pm UMW Family Bingo Night  
Thursday, August 4  
9 am Bible Study  
Sunday, August 7 - Communion  
**9:30 am Worship – Outside Service Only**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Friendly reminder: Molly Anderson, you are the counter for August 7. The verifier is Jackie Walker. Liturgist is LaVona Grissinger.

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: 33

Food Pantry – This month items needed are spaghetti sauce, cereal and fruit juice. The West Carroll School

Food Pantry is now open to all families with children in Carroll County. This includes Eastland, Chadwick-Milledgeville and the Right Steps Family Center. The hours are 3:30 – 5 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, unless it is a holiday. With school out for the summer some children are missing 2 meals a day, 5 days a week. The need for donations to the Food Pantry increases because of this. Please remember to bring your donations throughout the summer. The community food pantries are needed now more than ever with inflation and gas prices on the rise. Please remember your neighbors who are struggling. Thank you for your support.

Blessing basket –The Blessing Basket is available to anyone who utilizes the WC Food Pantry. Clients can pick 3 items each time they visit. The Blessing Basket is running smoothly, thanks to your continued support. This month we need sandwich bags and laundry detergent. Laundry soap & toilet paper are always needed. Please leave your donations in the food pantry box in the narthex. Thank you!

Kids Kards - Will meet after worship, around 10:30, on Sunday, August 28th. We will be making cards for the residents of Big Meadows and Pinnacle Place, with the theme, Sharing God's Love. All supplies are provided and everyone is welcome. Lunchables will be provided to take home.

Bible Study  
Every Thursday @ 9 am

Worship  
Let us worship God together at FUMC.  
**Summer Worship 9:30 am, drive-in service only.**

**Please bring your lawnchairs.**  
Outdoor, in your car. Tune in to FM 88.9  
Pre-recorded online service on our church website.  
[Www.firstumcsavanna.org](http://www.firstumcsavanna.org)  
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Link: <https://youtu.be/LkpBFw8VXxs>  
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You can also download the Tithe.ly App from the App Store (iPhone) or Google Play Store (Android) – the green one. Once you've downloaded the app, create an account or logged in, locate your church – First United Methodist Church, Savanna, IL and tap "Give Now" to complete your gift! Thank you for your generous giving!

Soul Sisters - Soul Sisters will be going on the Blue Heron Eco-Cruise at Rock Creek Conservation Area in Camanche, IA on Thursday, August 18th. We will carpool from the church parking lot at 5:15pm and have supper at the Campground Cafe there. There is limited seating so you must RSVP by August 10th to Molly Andersen, 815-273-2104 or 815-541-6852. The rain date is August 25th. The cruise is free but donations are welcomed. All women are invited!

United Methodist Men  
Next Monthly gathering – Monday, August 22 at 5:30 pm

**Sunday Coffee Hour**  
**If you would like to provide treats/refreshments on a particular Sunday for coffee hour, please let Pastor Dave know in advance. There is a sign up sheet in Narthex.**

**United Methodist Women Family Night**



Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> 5 pm – 7 pm

Games      Fun      Prizes

- Supper will be served at 5 pm
- Menu – Tacos and ham sandwiches
- Bingo will start following supper
- Prizes will be awarded to the lucky winners
- This is a church event hosted by the United Methodist Women. Bring the whole family!
- Please RSVP by July 31<sup>st</sup>. 815-273-2345 or [office@firstumcsavanna.org](mailto:office@firstumcsavanna.org)





### Suggested Items for School supplies

Crayola crayons – 8 count (large or jumbo), 24 count  
Crayola Markers – 8 count washable wide line/8 count  
“Extreme”/8 count “Tropical Bright”, 12 count assorted  
Highlighters  
Colored pencils  
#2 pencils  
Large erasers  
Ticonderoga brand large beginners pencils  
Large zippered pouch (clear front)  
Plastic pocket folders  
Scissors – Kids Fiskers with blunt point and sharp point  
Glue sticks – any size  
Spiral notebooks – wide ruled  
Loose leaf notebook paper - wide ruled  
Ruler  
1 ½ inch 3 ring binders with side pockets  
Book bag/backpack large (nothing with wheels)  
4 pack of Hasbro play-doh  
Sandwich ziploc/snack sized ziploc bags  
Reusable no spill water bottle  
8 ½ x 11 clipboard



**First United  
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Sunday, July 31, 2022  
9:30 am  
Outside Service

#### **Vision 2022 – “Love Others!”**

Outward Focused Ministry during/after the Pandemic  
(To build up a strong and safe community)  
Strong in Mission, Strong in Justice, Strong in Diversity

*“All the believers were together and had everything  
in common.” (Acts 2:44)*

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### School starts on August 17th

We are collecting school supplies through the month of August. Please leave any donations in the Food Pantry box in the narthex or basket outside on Sunday mornings. Distribution will be Monday, August 1st and Monday, August 15th from 3:30-6pm and Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to noon. Any questions call Molly Andersen at 815-273-2104.

Thank you for supporting our children at West Carroll.  
Go, Thunder!

Please see the included list for donation item suggestions. You can also make a monetary donation for Molly to purchase needed items.