



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.”

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, Year A

9:30 am Sunday Worship

August 9, 2026

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE:

Priscila & Ennie Marie

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

(message Pastor 773-971-7208)

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Deeann Kramer

L: Come, people of God, and listen for His voice!

P: We are here, ready to hear the Lord speak.

L: God calls each of us, young and old, to be His messengers.

P: We are here, ready to follow where He leads!

L: Then let us worship the Lord with open hearts and Willing spirits.

P: AMEN!

*HYMN UMH #139 “Praise the Lord, the Almighty”

*OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Deeann Kramer

O God, you call to us today, just as you called to the boy Samuel so long ago. Gathered here today, we are many different ages, But we pray for the maturity of faith to hear your call and respond to your Word. Open our ears and our hearts as we worship, as we work, and as we care for one another. We ask that you would give us courage and integrity to answer your call with the heartfelt words, “Here I am!” Amen.

Special Music with: Wendy Baldrige

Children’s Moment:

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-15 NRSV

Deeann Kramer

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: Thanks be to God

SONG OF PREPARATION: **Wendy Baldrige**

SERMON SERIES

CALLED: ANSWERING GOD’S INVITATION

MESSAGE: Pastor Fernando

We are All Called (Yes, Even You).

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

Deeann Kramer

God of all wisdom, how often have we been deaf to your voice speaking to our hearts, especially when we move in a world that needs it so desperately? The reading from 1 Samuel brings us the phrase, “The word of the Lord was rare in those days,” which resonates with the relevance of the evening news. As we bring our gifts to be dedicated this morning, we pray that you might open our ears, open our hearts to hear where you call us to respond with obedience, so that we might do what you need to begin healing our world. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN TFWS # 2130 “The Summons”

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD

Vivian Eaton

IN OUR PRAYERS

Frank Norman, Mike Medley, Sandy Froelich, Kathie Prins, Tina Bentley, Colleen Olsen, Howard Nichols, Curtis Pilgrim, Matt, Lt. Brian Robinson, Bill Haas, Kevin & Wendy Erbsen, Julia Castro, Chuck Atherton, Joseph Mitchell, Rev. David Forbes, Bob & Teresa Bauer, Amil Bork, Rachael Williams (friend of Jason Moore), Joyce Eversoll, Kim Kaufmann

Sympathy to:

Our shut-ins:

Sylvia Reuterfors, Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison, Janice Wilt, Mary Ellen Dreger, Florence Bevins-Powell, Judy Law

Our country & government; Military Personnel & their families; the safety of Ukrainians & end of wars; Haiti; Syria; Israel; the Gaza Strip; peace in the Middle East; people affected by the wildfires, snow, cold temperatures; the towns, families, students, school administrators, and those who experience everyday violence and their families.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

August 10 -Ryan Miller

11 – Joe Pasch

13 – LaVona Grissinger

14 – Brenda Hamm

CALENDAR

Monday, August 10

9:00 am to noon – Office open

1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies

Tuesday, August 11

9 am to 12 noon – Office open

Wednesday, August 12

9:00 am to noon – Office open

Thursday, August 13

9 am to 12 noon – Office open

6 pm MOVIE

Friday, August 14

9:00 am to noon - Office open

Sunday, August 16

9:30 am – Worship

10:30 am – Coffee hour

	August 9	August 16
Acolyte	Priscilla & Ennie Marie	Joe Pasch
Liturgist	Deeann Kramer	Kris Yingling
Counter	Rhonda Law	Lori Miller
Verifier	Pam Darrow	Linda Jachino
Coffee Hour	Prinses	Ross & Glenda B.
Greeter	Prinses	Gary & Melinda
Ushers	Linda Stubbe, Pam Darrow & Molly Andersen	Linda Stubbe, Pam Darrow & Molly Andersen

Last Week’s Attendance: 72

ANNOUNCEMENTS

West Carroll Food Pantry -

Thank you so much for your generosity!

The Blessing Basket -The Blessing Basket provides clients of the West Carroll School Food Pantry with free household items and Personal hygiene products. We always need laundry detergent, paper towels, and toilet paper. This ministry is possible only because of your generosity. Thank you for all your donations! Please consider donating items and placing them in the Food Pantry box in the narthex.

New Member Class – will be given by Pastor Fernando. This will be 5 classes, **in person or via Zoom**. If you are interested or have questions, let the office know.

Movie Night: August 13, 5:00 pm Fellowship, 6:00 pm Movie

Backpack Blessing: Sunday, August 16- Please bring your Children

Joy Dinner: Will be held at our Church Wed. 19th of August. RSVP By calling the Church office by Augst 17th

ALL CHURCH POTLUCK: Fifth Sunday of August we will have all Church Potluck: Please sign up and join us for a time of Fellowship And good Food.

190TH ANNIVERSARY: Music in the Park August 23rd with open mic- please get ready for some fun.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Mentors are needed, please, if you may Help in mentoring one of our youth, talk to Pastor.



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Methodist Church

Sunday, August 9, 2026
at 9:30 am

Vision Statement

“Reaching out to all people and inviting them to experience the Love of God through Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors.”

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