



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.”
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A*

9:30 am Sunday Worship **August 16, 2026**

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE: Joe Pasch
MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS (message Pastor 773-971-7208)
PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

***CALL TO WORSHIP** **Kris Yingling**

P: The Lord is with us, just as He was with Mary.
L: The angel declared, “Do not be afraid, for you have found favor with God. “
P: We come with open hearts, trusting in God’s promises.
L: Then let us worship the Lord, who does great things for us!
P: Our souls magnify the Lord, and our spirits rejoice in God our Savior! Amen.

***HYMN UMH #462 “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”**

***OPENING PRAYER (Unison)** **Kris Yingling**
O Holy One, giver of all good gifts, we come before you today with hearts full of wonder and awe as we reflect on Mary. We marvel at your grace and your choice of a humble young woman to bear the Savior of the world. Open our hearts to the message of the angel, that we too may hear your call and respond with faith and courage. May Mary’s “yes” inspire us to surrender our own will to yours, trusting in your love. Amen!

Apostle Creed
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, died, 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

Children’s Moment: Linda Jachino
BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Scripture Reading: Luke 1:26-38 NRSV **Kris Yingling**

L: The Word of God for the People of God
P: Thanks be to God

SONG OF PREPARATION: **Susan Andrea.**

SERMON SERIES
CALLED: ANSWERING GOD’S INVITATION
MESSAGE: We are Called to Trust **Pastor Fernando**

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

Gracious God, You call us to say “yes” and follow you, to grow in faith, serve others, and share your love. May our prayers, gifts, and care be accepted before you, to help communities responding to your call. Every gift tells a story, and every story begins with the impact we make together. Use our giving to shine your light, deepen faith, and make your love is visible in the world. Amen.

***HYMN TFWS #2153 “I’m Gonna Live so God Can Use Me”**
***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, 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: Michel Huge's family.

Our shut-ins:
Sylvia Reuterfors, Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison, Janis 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 18 – Fernando Candumbo de Castro
Jason & Cori Moore (2018)
Wayne & Martha White (1963)

CALENDAR
Monday, August 17
9:00 am to noon – Office open
1 to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies
Tuesday, August 18
9 am to 12 noon – Office open
Wednesday, August 19
9:00 am to noon – Office open
4:30 – 6:30 pm JOY
Thursday, August 20
9 am to 12 noon – Office open
Friday, August 21
9:00 am to noon - Office open
Sunday, August 23
9:30 am – Worship “Singing Service”
10:30 am – Coffee hour

WORSHIP HELPERS

	August 16	August 23
Acolyte	Joe Pasch	Kirk Hoffman
Liturgist	Kris Yingling	Jason Moore
Counter	Lori Miller	Vivian Eaton
Verifier	Linda Jachino	Kay Cavanagh
Coffee Hour	Ross & Glenda B.	Melinda & Gary
Greeter	Gary & Melinda	Lea Ann Michels
Ushers	Linda Stubbe, Pam Darrow Molly Andersen Isabel de Castro	Linda Stubbe, Pam Darrow Molly Andersen Lea Ann Michels

Last Week’s Attendance: 63

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: TODAY Sunday, August 16- Please bring your Children

Ad Council & Trustee meeting TODAY

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