



First United Methodist Church

*Welcome! We're glad that you are her
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*

**—And now these three remain: Faith, Hope, and Love. But the
Greatest of these is Love. Come let us Worship in Love ”**

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A

9:30 August 23, 2026

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE Kirk Hoffman
MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer

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**

***CALL To Worship: Jason Moore**

L: Come, people of God, stand on holy ground for God is here!

P: Speak, Lord, for we are listening!

**L: God sees the suffering of His people and calls us to be part of
His work.**

P: Here we are, Lord—send us!

L: Then let us worship the Lord, who speaks to us today.

P: We will go in faith, trusting in the great I AM!

***HYMN # 127 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”**

***OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)**

**Father, we begin to understand that irrespective of how limited
our ability or how boundless our talents are, unless we are led
by You and speak the words You instruct, we will be ineffective
in our work for You. May we never forget that You are the one
who made us as we are, and to trust You to fulfil the work that
You have prepared for us to do. May we follow in Christ's
footsteps and learn to speak only those things that we hear
from You. Teach us Your will and guide us in Your ways. Lead**

**our Church in the paths of righteousness and may Your will, not
ours, be done. In Christ's name, AMEN.**

Children’s Moment: LaVona Grissinger

Scripture Reading: Exodus 4:1-13 NRSV Jason Moore

Romans 12:6-8 NRSV

The Word of God for the People of God

P: Thanks be to God

Special Music: Testimony by Church - Band

Message: “We are Called and Equipped” 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**

**Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your
goodness we have this money to offer, the fruit of our
labour and of the skills you have given us. Take us and our
possessions to do your work in the world. Blessed be God
for ever. AMEN!**

HYMN #352 “It’s me it’s me it’s me O Lord”

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*** GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD Vivian Eaton**

IN OUR PRAYER

Tim Cavanagh. Frank Norman, Mike Medley, Sandy Froelich, Kathie Prins,
Heather Mullins, Colleen Olsen, Howard Nichols, Curtis Pilgrim,
Lt. Brian Robinson, Julia Castro, Chuck Atherton, Bob & Teresa Bauer,
Amil Bork, Rachael Williams (friend of Jason Moore), Joyce Eversoll,
Kim Kauffman

Sympathy: Michael Hughes Family
Otis Welch Family

Our shut-ins: Sylvia Reuterfors, Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison, Jackie Walker,
Mary Ellen Dreger, Florence Bevins-Powell, Judy Law, Don Kramer

Our country & government, Military Personnel & their families, the safety of
Ukrainians & end of wars; Haiti; Syria; Israel and Iran, the Gaza Strip; peace
In the Middle East, families, students, school administrators, and those
Grieving their loved ones.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

August 23 – Jean Jones
24 – Ron Miller
24 – Theo Buckholtz
26 – R. J. Clemons
26 – Bridget Jepsen
26 – Jeff Law
28 – Sharon F. Guilinger
28 – Sharon A. Guilinger

CALENDAR

Monday, August 24
Office Open 9 am – 12 pm
1 pm to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies
Tuesday, August 25
Office Open 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Wednesday, August 26
Office Open 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Thursday, August 27
Office Open -9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Friday, August 28
Office Open -9:00 am to 12:00 am
Sunday, August 30
8:30 am – Prayer Meeting
9:30 – Main Service “Singing Service”
10:35 – Coffee Hour

WORSHIP HELPERS

	August 23	August 30
Acolyte	Kirk Hoffman	
Liturgist	Jason Moore	Paula Mayer
Counter	Vivian Eaton	Lori Miller
Verifier	Kay Cavanagh	Linda Stubbe
Coffee Hour	Gary & Melinda	Pot Luck
Greeter	Lea Ann Michels	Esther Losh
Usher	Linda Stubbe Pam Darrow Molly Andersen Lea Ann Michels	Linda Stubbe Pam Darrow Molly Andersen Christina Pasch

Last Week’s Attendance: 88

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.

ALL Church Potluck August 30. Please sign up and join us for a time of Fellowship and good food.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Mentors are needed, please. If you may help in mentoring one of our youths, talk to Pastor.

Charge Conference: Our Church Conference is coming soon; please start Getting your Reports done.

Sing Along Sunday: Send your favorite hymns to the office so, we can Sing together next Sunda, August 30th

Up Coming Events

190 Years Anniversary

September 13th Service at the Parck and Picnic : Bring your Family and friends for a Church picnic and Fun.

Mark & Robin Cook Fundraise Picnic : This is year FUMC is supporting as part of our 190 Years, be Present!

Date : TBA. **Place** : Miller Excavating 9423 IR RT 84

September 19th : Craft & Vendor Show

Time : 9:00- 2:00PM

Venue: Savanna FUMC-

Contact: Karen Hoffman & Vivian Eaton.



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Sunday, 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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