



**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.”

10:15 am Sunday Worship                      September 11, 2022

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE                      Ellie Johnson

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART                      Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP    Joe Michels

L: Fools say in their hearts, “There is no God.”

**P: We proclaim that God’s presence is real and alive and thriving!**

L: Evildoers declare through their actions, “We go through life alone.”

**P: But we see God’s grace, faithfulness, and steadfast love in our lives and in the world around us.**

**All: Praise be to God!**

HYMN #98 “To God Be the Glory”

1. To God be the glory, great things he hath done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. (Refrain)

3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,  
and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison): **God of abundant grace, may your Holy Spirit be with us now as we worship you this day. Open our eyes to truly see one another, that we might discover your presence in the smile of a neighbor. Open our ears to the needs of the world, that we might hear your wisdom in the words spoken around us. And open our hearts to your grace and love, that we might find guidance and strength for the journey, for ourselves and for one another. In Jesus’ name we pray. 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.

SCRIPTURE    Jeremiah 4:19-22 (NRSV)

My anguish, my anguish! I writhe in pain! Oh, the walls of my heart! My heart is beating wildly; I cannot keep silent, for I hear the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war. Disaster overtakes disaster; the whole land is laid waste. Suddenly my tents are destroyed, my curtains in a moment. How long must I see the standard and hear the sound of the trumpet? “For my people are foolish; they do not know me; they are stupid children; they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil but do not know how to do good.”

GOSPEL    Luke 15:1-7 (NRSV)

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

L: The Word of God for the People of God

**P: Thanks be to God**

HYMN #378 “Amazing Grace”

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed.

3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be,  
as long as life endures.

5. Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,  
and mortal life shall cease,  
I shall possess, within the veil,  
a life of joy and peace.

6. When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

CHOIR "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

MESSAGE: "One of the Least" Pastor Dave

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): **Gracious and loving  
God, we thank you for these gifts and ask that they be  
used to help the needy in our community and  
throughout the world. As we offer you these gifts, we  
offer ourselves as well, that together we might  
transform the world with your grace and love. We  
pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

HYMN #2162 "Grace Alone"

1. Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of  
faith, every difference we will make is only by his grace.  
Every mountain we will climb, every ray of hope we  
shine, every blessing left behind is only by his grace.

Chorus: Grace alone which God supplies,  
strength unknown he will provide.  
Christ in us our Cornerstone;  
we will go forth in grace alone.

2. Every soul we long to reach, every heart we hope to  
teach, everywhere we share his peace is only by his  
grace. Every loving word we say, every tear we wipe  
away, every sorrow turned to praise is only by his grace.

Chorus: Grace alone which God supplies, strength  
unknown he will provide. Christ in us our Cornerstone;

we will go forth in grace alone.

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**

Keith Brown, Denise Curtis, Billy David, Emilee Derrer,  
Jim Eaton, Merry Florence, Matthew Foltz, Shirley Fritz,  
Bob Grissinger, Rhonda Harlock Smith, John Irons, Greg  
Jepsen, Dallas Kosier, Judy Law, Charlene Mayer, Cori  
Moore's parents, Vickie Moore, James Morris Jr (son of  
Esther Losh), Bonnie Parker, Dan Piercy, Rich Rathje,  
Rhea (friend of Bonnie Davies), Bill Robinson, Ron Smith,  
Alice Stallings, Grace Struve, Pastor Sylvester, Patti  
Thulen, Peter Tsoukalas, Scarlettte (daughter of Ashley  
Huebner), Gi-Tae Yim (Father of Pastor Dave), Family of  
Mark Cook.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, Dorothy Taylor, Patti Thulen,  
Alice Riffe Torrison, Joy Turner, 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, victims of  
the flooding in Kentucky and the wildfires in California.  
With school starting, pray for our teachers, staff and  
students.

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

September 11 – Madison Haynes  
September 12 – Lori Law  
September 14 – Sherri Miller  
September 16 – Boyd Law

### **Special Birthdays**

Dorothy Taylor will celebrate her 99<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Janis Wilt will celebrate her 92<sup>nd</sup> on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Let's remember these ladies by mailing them a birthday card.

Dorothy Taylor  
1000 Longmoor  
Savanna, IL 61074

Janis Wilt  
1125 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St  
Savanna, IL 61074

### **CALENDAR**

Monday, September 12

1 pm Sewing Ladies

3:30 pm – 5 pm WC Food Pantry

6:30 pm Service Club

Tuesday, September 13

7 pm Finance Committee Zoom

Wednesday, September 14

Need all Conference reports to Pastor

Thursday, September 15

9 am Bible Study

3:30 pm Health & Worship Committee

Saturday, September 17

10 am Soul Sisters carpool to Orchard Landing

Sunday, September 18

8:45 am Adult Sunday School

9 am Trustees

9:30 am Sunday School

10:15 am Worship – **Hybrid Service**

Ad Council

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Liturgist for month of September:**

September 11 – Joe Michels

September 18 – Esther Losh

September 25 – Lea Ann Michels

#### **Counter and verifier for month of September:**

September 11 – Rhonda Law, Tom Michels

September 18 – Lori Miller, Dianne Brinkmeier

September 25 – Vivian Eaton, Linda Jachino

#### **Acolytes for month of September**

September 11 – Ellie Johnson

September 18 – Ryker McCombie

September 25 – Jiwon Yim

If you are unable to do your scheduled day, please find someone to take your place.

LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: 43

Food Pantry – The West Carroll School Food Pantry had it's busiest day ever on August 1<sup>st</sup>, serving over 25 families. Please help them restock their shelves. Cereal, pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, and fruit juice are desperately needed.

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.

Blessing basket – Wow, we gave out over 100 items in August! The need is so great, please consider donating children's toothbrushes and sandwich bags. Thank you for your continued support! The Blessing Basket is available to anyone who utilizes the WC Food Pantry. Clients can pick 3 items each time they visit. Laundry soap & toilet paper are always needed. Please leave your donations in the food pantry box in the narthex. Thank you!

#### Bible Study

Every Thursday @ 9 am

### Worship

Let us worship God together at FUMC.

#### **10:15 am Hybrid Service**

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)

or You Tube- Online Service

Link: <https://youtu.be/LkpBFw8VXxs>

Or **call 815-599-1307** to hear the latest sermon.

Did you know that you can donate your Tithes

online? You can use this website link:

[http://tithe.ly/give/?web=1&church\\_id=373533](http://tithe.ly/give/?web=1&church_id=373533)

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 to Orchard Landing in Hanover on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. We will carpool from the church parking lot at 10am and have lunch at Chestnut Mountain. The orchard has 12 varieties of apples and a gift shop with apple cider, donuts, honey, maple syrup, jellies, mums and pumpkins. Rain date is Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Please call Molly Andersen if you are interested in going. 815-273-2104 or 815-541-6852. All women are invited!

#### United Methodist Men

Next Monthly gathering, Monday, September 19 at 5:30 pm. Cookout, Fellowship and Bible Study.

#### 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.

**Church Conference is scheduled for Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 10 am.**

SPRC will meet at 9:15 am prior to the Church Conference.

All reports need to be submitted no later than September 17<sup>th</sup>. If the office needs to submit for you, they need to be received no later than Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

It is our denomination’s policy to make sure our membership records are kept current. According to our church’s by-laws, members who have been inactive for two years are to be removed from our membership list. We don’t like to remove persons from membership, but we do need to be faithful to our policies. The names below have been inactive for over 4 years. If you want to keep names whom you know on our membership list, please let us know.  
Thank you!



**First United Methodist Church  
Sunday, Sept 11, 2022  
10:15 am  
Hybrid 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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**TUNE RADIO TO STATION FM 88.9**

Robert, Teresa Bauer	Kyle Moore
John Belander	Christopher Nortunen
Joseph Belander	Bryan Purchis
Lauren Belander	Eric Purchis
Salinda Belander	Wendy Reitemeier
Abigail Bradbury	Janet Ross
Keri Brown	Tiffany Schneider
Kurt & Louann Dreger	Dorie Schnitzler
Robert J Fosdick	Amber Schoenhaar
Jeremy& Amanda Fosdick	Corliss Smart
Jennifer Geisbush	Chelsey Sprouse
Joseph Green	Diana Steffes
Josh Hartman	Karen Stott
Adam Hartman	Jennifer Trevanthen
John & Heather Heffelfinger	Timothy Thulen
Annette Hepner	Joe Wrecza
Jerry, Susan, Luke Ingersoll	Raylene Wright
Cara Keppen	
Carol Leitzen	
Michelle Mangler	

	<p><b>Sunday School</b></p>
	<p>Every Sunday morning at 9:30am Resume 9/18/2022 Sunday Two classes! - Children SS: Pre to 5<sup>th</sup> Graders - Youth SS: Middle &amp; High Schoolers</p>
	<p><b>Youth Group</b></p>
	<p>The 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of Every month From 5:45pm to 7:00pm Supper will be provided Middle &amp; High Schoolers</p>

**We welcome you ALL to our Sunday School Program!**  
**Savanna First United Methodist Church**  
2100 Chicago Ave, Savanna, IL 61074

Any questions? Please contact Kris Yingling, [yinglink@gmail.com](mailto:yinglink@gmail.com)

Adult Sunday School @ 8:45 am in the Library.