



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.”*

10:15am Sunday Worship

December 6, 2020

2nd Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In the middle of dark times, our Lord cries out:

P: “Comfort, comfort my people!”

L: When it seems as though we cannot see the light at the end of the tunnel,

P: Our Lord says to us, “Be at peace, for your time of difficulty has ended.”

L: Lord, we await the time of comfort and peace!

A: Lord, we are thankful for your compassion and never-failing love for us. Amen.

HYMN#216 “Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming” (Insert)

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

As the voice cried out in the wilderness, God, you enter our lives and call us to be open to hearing the cries of people who feel lost and alienated, who feel

that no one cares or ever will care about them. We have been given that opportunity to reach out through the ministries and mission of our church bringing hope, peace, and love to all. Get us ready to become pathways of peace and life-transforming love in your name. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE APOSTLE’S CREED (Insert)

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

(Theme: Shepherds)

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1:1-8 (CEB)

L: This is the word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

HYMN#2068 “I Love You, Lord” (Insert)

MESSAGE: “VOICE OF LOVE” Pastor Dave

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

(Text Pastor Dave at 244-600-0446)

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE

HOLY COMMUNION

CONFESSION OF SINS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

OFFERING OURSELVES

DOXOLOGY #95 (Insert)

OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)

Lord God, you share your glory with us, giving us the power to live in holiness and godliness. Your loving patience gives us hope as we await the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ. In gratitude and thanks, we offer you our hearts, our lives, and all that we have. Use these gifts, we pray, to prepare your way of salvation and to establish your realm of peace. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING
THE LORD’S PRAYER (Insert)
SHARING

HYMN#620 “One Bread, One Body” (Insert)

BENEDICTION

God is bringing light into our darkness. We are called to go into the world, confident in God’s loving presence, to serve others in need. Go, bringing hope and peace to this darkened world. Go in God’s love.

POSTLUDE Vivian Eaton

You can also find our pre-recorded online service on [our Church Website.](#)

In Our Prayers

Suzie Berg, Judy Dunn, Cindy, Emilee Deerer, Sherri Miller, Susan Meyer, Burt Dauphin, Patti Thulen, Betty Speck, Beth Wickes, Suzanne Atherton, Lois Grove, Claire Winterburn, Billy David, Dee Helle, Chris Falk, Katie Wand, Denise Curtis, Big Meadows nursing home.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, John Hamm, Dorothy Taylor, Paul Brunner, Sylvia Reuterfors, Bill & Letty Weidman.

West Carroll Schools, nursing homes in Carroll County, Please lift the victims of the wildfire and storm areas as well. Military Personnel and their families

Birthdays and Anniversaries

December

12 Rhonda Badtke

Calendar

Monday, December 7

9am Body & Soul Yoga

1pm Sewing Ladies

3:30-5 WC Food Pantry

Tuesday, December 8

4pm Finance Committee Meeting on
ZOOM

Thursday, December 10

9am Body & Soul Yoga

9am Bible Study

1:30pm Inter Church Council
Meeting on ZOOM

Sunday, December 13

9am Sunday School

10:15am Outdoor Worship

Monday, December 14

9am Body & Soul Yoga

1pm Sewing Ladies

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 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.
2. Friendly reminder: Molly Andersen you are the counter for next week December 13th, 2020. The verifier is LeaAnn Michels. Thank you!
3. LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE: 70
4. We are collecting gently used coats, hats, gloves, etc. here at the church for those in need. If you have something hanging around, please consider dropping it off for those less fortunate. Thank you!!
5. We will also be helping the Savanna Children's Fund again this year. Hoping to be able to help 20-25 kids this year. If you are interested in helping, let us know. Presents are scheduled to be picked up on December 14th.
6. UMW is collecting food for both food pantries in Savanna. Items they need include: crackers, juice, egg noodles, canned pumpkin, sugar, flour, paper towels, toilet paper and canned vegetables.
7. Drive-in worship services will be continued thru December. Please join us at 10:15am.
8. Sunday School Package and Advent Package are ready for us! They will help us prepare our hearts and minds to celebrate the birth of Jesus.



First United Methodist Church Sunday, 10:15 am

*“You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your mind, and with all your strength,
and you shall love your neighbor as yourself.”*
--Jesus Christ

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