



**Our Mission Is To Be Committed Christians Inviting Others To Join Us.**



# JANUARY

Telstar is published monthly by First United Methodist Church for its members and friends.

2100 Chicago Ave, Savanna, IL 61074

Office Phone 815-273-2345

[www.firstumcsavanna.org](http://www.firstumcsavanna.org)

Pastor Dave Yim

email: [daveyim15@gmail.com](mailto:daveyim15@gmail.com)

Cell phone number: 224-600-0446

Church Office: [office@firstumcsavanna.org](mailto:office@firstumcsavanna.org)



A new beginning is coming! The unprecedented year of 2020 passed, and now we look forward to the new normal. The new year of 2021 will be very different than any other years in the past because the pandemic of COVID-19 has taught us the importance and value of the everyday life. The trivial round of our daily lives, such as going to school, visiting nursing homes and hospitals, talking to our neighbors on a street, going to grocery stores, going to church, etc that we have taken for granted is so valuable and precious. We have learned that during the pandemic, so the year of 2021 after the pandemic over would be filled with more gratitude, joy, and blessings. A new hope and new beginning is coming in 2021!

The tiny virus that we can't see with our naked eyes has impacted on every day of our lives. How do you think we can take our next step after the pandemic over as church? Some lost their loved ones because of the virus. Some lost their businesses. Some lost their jobs. Small or big we all got affected by the invisible virus. How can we take care of each other after pandemic? How can we deal with the sense of lostness and helplessness that we couldn't help encountering due to the virus? Here is an answer; the love of God that is invisible and imperishable has impacted on our lives for ever. Jesus has shown us the love of God through his life and Jesus is with us. The virus will be defeated, we will be free, and the love of God will be continued on us, in us, and through us.

2021, the new year, will be the year of healing. We will bind up our communal wounds together! 2021 will be the year of ripening. We will grow up by taking care of each other. 2021 will be the year of belonging together. We will feel the importance of community by reuniting with our family members and church members. 2021 will be the year of rethinking of God's missions and ministries. We will come up with more creative and effective ways to serve God and serve people after the pandemic.

The Bible says, "Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9) Be strong and courageous in 2021, sisters and brothers in Christ, for the Lord God is with us always! May the love of God surpasses all our understanding be with you, guide you, and empower you in 2021! May God keep you and your family in God's care and protection in 2021!

Happy New Year!

Pastor Dave



Thank you to everyone who donated to our food pantries. Winter is a very difficult time for our neighbors who are food insecure. There is a great need for cereal, juice, and egg noodles.

Give us this day our daily bread....

The blessing basket ministry is up and running! The Blessing Basket is available through the West Carroll Food Pantry. We need your donations of laundry detergent, "C" & "D" batteries, and shampoo. You can leave them in the food pantry box. Thank you!!

And a HUGE thanks to the following kiddos: Noah, Caleb, Boyd, Annika, Ellie, Blaine, Dalton, Aidan, Pearl, Jiho, Ilwon, and Jisung for making Christmas Cards last month. Your help and love shown to our congregation is overflowing and we thank you so very much!!

Date	Income
Nov. 29	\$ 2,261.00
Dec. 6	\$ 3,331.00
Dec. 13	\$ 3,090.00
Dec. 20	\$ 2,020.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$10,702.00</b>



## Attendance & Financials

## Attendance

Week	Sun.	Sunday School
Nov. 29	70	
Dec. 6	69	
Dec. 13	63	
Dec. 20	68	
Avg.	68	

## In Our Prayers

Judy Dunn, Emilee Deerer,  
 Sherri Miller, Susan Meyer, Burt Dauphin, Patti Thulen, Betty Speck,  
 Beth Wickes, Lois Grove, Claire Winterburn, Billy David, Dee Helle, Chris Falk,  
 Katie Wand, Patty Nevills, Pam Darrow,  
 Lea Ann Michels

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



## JANUARY

- 3 Scott Law
- 4 Ben Pratt
- 7 John Irons, Kaitlyn Cook,  
David Weber
- 8 Colin Reitemeier, Heather  
Hensley, Mary Irons
- 12 Amber Kerkove
- 13 *Greg & Susan Michelle  
Jepsen*
- 15 Linda Stubbe
- 16 Krista DeLeeuw
- 19 Mark Rathje
- 20 Linda Yenney
- 21 Amber Stott
- 23 Jean Sammeth,  
Kay Cavanagh
- 24 Joe Fosdick, Joy Turner
- 26 Hayley Guilinger
- 27 Abby Michels
- 28 William Haas
- 29 Wayne White, Dalton Shaw
- 30 Sandy Froehlich
- 31 Rhonda Law

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

There is NO United Methodist  
Women or Evening Circle in  
January or February.

See you in March when the temps  
warm up!!



# First United Methodist Church of Savanna, Illinois

## January 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Office Closed	2
3 10:15am Outdoor Worship	4 9am Body & Soul Yoga 1pm Sewing Ladies	5	6	7 9am Body & Soul Yoga 9am Bible Study	8	9
10 10:15am Outdoor Worship	11 9am Body & Soul Yoga 1pm Sewing Ladies	12	13	14 9am Body & Soul Yoga 9am Bible Study	15	16
17 10:15am Outdoor Worship	18 9am Body & Soul Yoga 1pm Sewing Ladies	19	20	21 9am Body & Soul Yoga 9am Bible Study	22	23
24 Trustees Meeting 10:15am Outdoor Worship Ad Council meeting	25 9am Body & Soul Yoga 1pm Sewing Ladies	26	27	28 9am Body & Soul Yoga 9am Bible Study	29	30
31 10:15am Outdoor Worship						



**First United Methodist Church**  
2100 Chicago Ave.  
Savanna, IL 61074

**TELSTAR**

**Return Service Requested**

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

**The people of The United Methodist Church™**

**Our Mission Is To Be Committed Christians Inviting Others To Join Us.**

Phone: 815-273-2345

Email: [office@firstumcsavanna.org](mailto:office@firstumcsavanna.org)

[www.firstumcsavanna.org](http://www.firstumcsavanna.org)

everyone is  
welcome

