

For All the Saints



First United Methodist Church
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8:30 & 11:00
November 5, 2017

THE GATHERING:

Centering Words "Life is so unnerving for a servant who's not serving"
--- Howard Ashman from "Be Our Guest" from Walt Disney's
"Beauty and the Beast"

*This week in our prayers for the world let us remember especially the people of
Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, and Rwanda*

OPENING VOLUNTARIES

8:30 & 11:00

"Tranquil Waters"

John Scriveyner

"In the Sweet By and By"

arr: Marianne Kim

"Look, Ye Saints! the Sight Is Glorious"

William H. Monk

"Eternal Life"

arr: Terry L. Baldridge

*As this music is offered as prayer, let us be sensitive the Holy Spirit who
prepares and opens us to connect with God in Christ today.*

GREETING, SHARING NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE

Welcome, members, friends & visitors - please fill in the ritual of friendship pad, pass it to your neighbor, and then return it to its starting place. If you are new and would like more information, please indicate on the friendship pad and also stop at the Welcome Center in the narthex to pick up a Welcome packet.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith. God calls us to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In the company of all the saints we cry:

Praise God! Salvation, glory, and power belong to our God!

HYMN

No. 711

"For All the Saints"

OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, to your honor and glory, through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING

A Time of Naming

In loving memory, giving thanks to God, we now celebrate the witness of these disciples of Jesus Christ.

(Names are read and a candle is lit and a bell is rung)

A Litany of Remembrance

In the rising of the sun and in its going down, we remember them.

In the blowing wind and in the chill of winter, we remember them.

In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them.

In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer, we remember them.

In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we remember them.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them.

When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them.

When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them.

When we have joys we yearn to share, we remember them.

**So long as we live, they too shall live,
for they are now a part of us, as we remember them.**

HYMN

No. 707

“Hymn of Promise”

ANTHEM

8:30

“Shall We Gather at the River?”

John Carter

Chancel Choir Acc: Barb Mittman

11:00

“Psalm 51” by Caleb Hugo

Cameron Mitchell, Soloist

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 23:1-12

WITNESS TO THE WORD

“The Saints Show Up!” Rev. Fred Lewis

HYMN OF INVITATION

No. 712 “I Sing A Song of the Saints of God”

CONFESSION, ASSURANCE AND PARDON

Parent, Teacher, Friend,

Challenge us when we are confident that we have found a righteous path while ignoring the advice and counsel of others.

Comfort us when we are so overwhelmed by the largeness of a task that we fail to even try.

Push us when we are immobilized by guilt, fear, or shame.

Guide us when we are misdirected by pride and glory.

Forgive us when we are quick to celebrate our success before lamenting our failures.

Love us when we have a difficult time loving ourselves.

Help us to be the disciples you have called us to be. Amen.

---Time of silence for prayer---

When we reach for God, we do not have to reach far, for God is always closer to us than we can ever imagine. Even when we are doubtful, God's presence and love are assured.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

8:30 Spirit Songs (Traditional Spirituals) arr: Ron Sprunger

11:00 "Improvisation on Caprice" - Eugene Bozza
Cameron Mitchell, Soloist

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor gives thanks, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes:

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,

We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The pastor continues and the institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled.

The pastor concludes:

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

We offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and

living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery
of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and concludes:

All honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

Amen!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD

Along with Myrna's music, during the 11:00 worship time, Cameron
Mitchell will also be playing Claude DeBussy's "Sphinx"

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

HYMN

No. 708

"Rejoice in God's Saints"

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Triumphal March"

Edvard Grieg

*Let us be aware this musical offering is a statement of faith to send us
from worship into service. Please be respectful of those who choose to
remain to listen.*

LEAVING FOR SERVICE

Dear friends:

I am pleased to invite you to hear me speak at the Ames Public Library,
on Tuesday evening, Nov. 14, at 7:00. I hope you'll come and support
me!

The event is free and open to the public. Invite your friends! I will sign
purchased books after my talk. Thank you very much for your support.

Mary Beth Oostenbrug

Chancel Choir has begun practice on "Night of the Father's Love" (the
Awe and Mystery of God with Us) which is the cantata we will present to
the congregation December 17 at the 8:30 a.m. worship service. We
invite YOU to join us....you will love singing this fun music from Pepper
Choplin.

**ATTEND OUR ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE:
TODAY— SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH
BOONE FIRST UMC FROM 2-4:30 P.M.**

Each year the congregation traditionally gathers in what is called a Charge/Church Conference to conduct business that is mandated by our United Methodist Book of Discipline. There will be a time of opening and closing worship. A wide variety of reports will be acted upon such as our goals and visions for 2018. The report of the Nominating/Lay Leadership Committee will be voted on as a way to elect our church leaders for the New Year. Our Staff Parish Relations Committee will offer the proposed financial compensation for our staff and it will be reviewed and acted upon. A church membership report will be given with names of persons to be removed --- members are considered active in our congregation if they attend worship and yearly contribute financially. The meeting is led by our District Superintendent, Rev. Harlan Gillespie. He is trying "something new" by clustering churches together for this year's Charge Conference as way of reminding us how we are all very much connected together within our denomination. ALL elected church leaders are encouraged to attend as well as any members of the congregation.

ARE YOU A POSSIBLE STEPHEN MINISTER?


Do you care about others and their feelings? Are you a good listener? Would you like to become a better one? Are you assertive....can you speak the truth in love? Do you believe it is possible to help another person just by being there for them---without advising, directing or trying to fix them or their situation? Would you like to be able to pray out loud without breaking into a cold sweat? Would you like to continue your own faith journey? Are you in your 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's or 80's? Can you visualize yourself in a group of dedicated, caring, growing loving, and fun-loving people? Then you ALREADY have a lot in common with the people who serve the Ames First UMC as Stephen Ministers! Contact Pastor Cephas (232-2750) or Cami McColley to ask for more information on becoming a Stephen Minister today.

GREETERS...

Here's the link.... Double check that it takes you to the correct place.
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4aaaad2ba4fb6-greeter>

Interested volunteers can also contact me by phone/text at 515-290-9360 or email me at lvw50248@gmail.com.

Thanks.
Lori Vander Werff



Pete & Sally Peterson
Becky Jordan
Roy Cakerice
Steve & Mary Hanlin
Chuck & Bonnie Glotfelty
Norma Downs



Community Supper Honoring Veterans and Their Families

As part of the ISU mission to support military students the Veterans Center would like to invite members of the community to a free dinner in honor of those who serve and sacrifice. The event is open to the public and aims to bring together students, faculty, staff, administrators, and community members in honor of the service and sacrifice of Veterans and family members.

The 2017 Community Supper will be held on November 8, 2017 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union. RSVP by phone 515 294 9801 or <https://www.veterans.iastate.edu/events/community-supper>



THANKSGIVING DINNER --- SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19TH

This is a wonderful event for church members and friends here at Ames FUMC to rejoice in our blessings and recount how God has been at work in the lives of one another during this past year. It is a time of gratitude for one another and for God's grace. Serving will start at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 19th. Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls and butter will all be provided, along with beverages. Autumn napkins and placemats will be on the tables. A freewill offering will be received to help pay for the costs.

YOU are asked to bring your own plate, table service, and cup plus a food dish to share with others:

Last Names starting with A-M... bring a salad or a vegetable
Last names starting with N-Z.... bring a dessert

PLEASE, contact the church office (232-2750) with an RSVP by noon on Wednesday, November 16th so we can plan accordingly.

**The Week at a Glance
November 5 – November 11**

Sunday, November 5

8:30 & 11:00 Services

All Saints Day (Both Services)

9:45 Sunday School for all ages

2:00 Charge Conference in Boone

Monday, November 6

5:30 CEMT

Tuesday, November 7

Quilters

2-7 Farm to Folk/FH

Aktion Club

5:30 SPRC

Wednesday, November 8

Confirmation

6:00 Meal

6:30 Wed. Activities

Thursday, November 9

9:00 Ruth Cir/MPR

1:00 Sarah Cir/MPR

Friday, November 10

Middle School Lock In

Saturday November 11

1-4 90th Birthday Party for Kay Baker/
MPR

5:30 SAF/Chapel

CR-Conference Room

FH-Fellowship Hall

LIB - Library

MPR-Multipurpose Room

MSR-Middle School Room

HSR-High School Room

SCR-Staff Conference Room

Par - Parlor

ACOLYTES

8:30

Aurelia Kruger & Leo Sullivan

11:00

Savanna Smith

SOUND

Doug Hill

Pete Peterson

Dean Swyter

Fredrick Killian

Mike Evans

Calvin Evans

GREETERS

8:30

Sally & Pete Peterson

11:00

Joan Peterson & Joe Burris

NURSERY

Meredith

Audrey

VIDEO

Marty Sankey

Larry Vallery

Mike Evans

USHERS

8:30 & 11:00

SPRC

WELCOME VISITORS

The Welcoming and Marketing Committee at First United Methodist Church would like to thank you for visiting our church. We take pride in our beautiful church and hope you had a pleasant and welcoming experience. To thank you for visiting our church, we would like to give you a small gift to show our appreciation for attending one of our services. Please stop by the Welcome Center located behind the sanctuary and to the left of the open stairway before or after service on Sunday morning. We hope you will join us again!

WE WELCOME YOU!

Our Welcome Center is located in the gathering space near the elevator. Please stop by if you have questions or would like to get more information about the church. Be sure to mention if you are a first time visitor.

Nursery care is available in Room E203, in the Christian Education Unit, on Saturday nights and Sunday mornings for children under the age of 5. All of our workers are trained and screened. Items for children's worship bags are available in the gathering area.

Restrooms are located in the east hallways and by the elevator. Ushers are available at the entrances of the sanctuary to assist you with hearing devices, large print bulletins or any questions you may have. An emergency phone and defibrillator are located on the wall near the west entry.

First United Methodist Church Affirmation of Welcome

As a community of the people of God, we are called to minister to all people of the world, knowing that the world is often an unloving place of alienation and brokenness. Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness, as we are challenged by the Gospel to be agents of healing within our society.

We stand in affirmation with the apostle Paul that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." Christ has made us one. We acknowledge that this reconciliation encompasses all within the community of faith who exhibit any and all differences in the human condition including, but not limited to: race, gender, ethnicity, age, culture, physical and mental ability, educational level, economic status, personality, marital status, sexual orientation and gender identity in response to the often hostile social climate with respect to diversity within our society and the resulting feelings of alienation from the Church, we wish to make known our caring and concern. It is for this purpose that we affirm the following:

- all persons share the sacred worth that comes from being unique individuals created by God;
- all persons are welcome within the membership of this congregation upon making affirmation of faith; and that as members of this congregation, all persons are invited and encouraged to share in the sacramental and general life of this congregation.

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Fred Lewis, Senior Minister/Lead Pastor
Rev. Cephias Davis, Associate Pastor
Nicole Smith, Director of Christian Education
Brooke Kruger, Youth Director
Deb Benefield, Director of Office & Communications
Reid Cummer, Business Manager
Myrna Cakerice, Organist/Director of Choirs
Steve Pelz, Facility Director
Matt Woodworth, Part-time/Sunday Custodian

Go to our website: www.fumcames.org for the latest church information. Follow us on facebook.

Church office hours:
Mon-Thurs: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.
Friday 8:30 to 4:30

To view go to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/CIttXqFq7LbMZiAYObRZgbQ/> live or go to youtube.com and search for Ames First United Methodist Church channel. You can also find archived services at the church's channel.