

First United Methodist Church
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8:30 & 11:00 - January 28, 2018

THE GATHERING

Centering Words:

*No hope? Look up into the stars or down
into a baby's face and tell me there is no hope..."*

---Ann Weems in Searching for Shalom.

*This week in our prayers for the world let us remember especially the people of
Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden*

OPENING VOLUNTARIES

"The God of Abraham Praise"

Hebrew Melody

"If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

arr: Paul Manz

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr: Ben Logan

*As this music is offered as prayer, let us be sensitive to 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 by the Welcome Center.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP

We enter this sanctuary of truth.

**In the company of sinners,
in cahoots with saints:**

We gather as God's people.

**We come, people of deep, abiding faith;
and people seeking a way, straining our ears for the
good news:
we lift our praise to God.**

HYMN

No. 463

"Lord, Speak to Me"

OPENING PRAYER

Faithful and just God:

**our songs of gratitude
echo down the hallways of creation.**

You reach out your hand
to lift us up so we may follow you.

O gracious and holy God:

**our songs of praise
echo down the hallways of our hearts.**

Without your wisdom we would be speechless;
without your peace, we would be heartless;
without your presence, we would be graceless.

O Bearer of truth and good news:

**Our songs of joy
echo down the hallways of eternity.**

God in Community, Holy in One,
may our songs echo in your heart.

Amen.

8:30 A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

11:00 THE REAFFIRMATION OF HOLY BAPTISM -

for Matthew Starrett, son of Brian and Stephanie Starrett

CONGREGATIONAL SONG (11:00)

“Child of Promise”

ANTHEM

8:30 a.m.

“Pie Jesu”

Gabriel Faure

Solo: Sadie Etzel

11:00 a.m.

“Live a Life That’s Worthy”

Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir Acc: Barb Mittman

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

HYMN No. 263

“When Jesus the Healer Passed Through Galilee”

THE GOSPEL

Mark 1:21-28

WITNESS TO THE WORD

“You’re Not the Boss of Me!” Rev. Fred Lewis

A MOMENT OF QUIET REFLECTION & PERSONAL COMMITMENT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Creative God, your wonders speak to us and invite us to hear
the whispers of your hopes, the murmurs of your joys
skipping in our hearts, and the glad grace that walks beside us
in each and every moment.

And so, in this moment, help us to listen as we lift our prayers to
you.

---A time of silence for prayer---

Merciful God, we pray for:

all those hungry and seeking a meal,
all seniors who are struggling to remember yesterday,
all immigrants who worry about tomorrow,
all who are sick and dying.

all who are offering compassion to others, and
all who are bringing hope and healing this day.

**May we continue to listen for your voice O God as, by your
grace,
we live and move and have our being in this world.
Help us to follow and serve you, we pray, in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

"Blest Jesus, Be with Us" Christoph Willibald von Gluck

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

No. 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**When we think we should dictate how our gifts should be
used, Loving God, remind us that all we have and are is
yours. May our treasures bring new hope to the despairing,
words of affirmation to the bullied, and life to everyone who
is broken. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

HYMN

No. 560 "Help us Accept Each Other"

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"How Majestic Is Your Name" arr: Jane Holstein

*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

JANUARY 28—CHURCH COUNCIL LEADERSHIP RETREAT

All elected members of our Church Council will hopefully be present to be engaged in a fun, lively, and very worthwhile retreat today, January 28, from 1-4 p.m. in our Multiple Purpose Room. This will be a wonderful way to kick off the year! Persons may discover some new insights about themselves and how they best can work with others. This retreat is a follow up to the recommendation received during the 2017 Congregational Assessment Tool and Peace Circles. Carla Cain and Dianne McClanahan from the Des Moines Pastoral Counseling Center will again be our resource persons.



SPRC ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW SENIOR MINISTER

Bishop Laurie Haller and the Cabinet of the Iowa Annual Conference has appointed the Rev. Dr. Kerrin Kirkpatrick to serve as the new senior pastor at Ames FUMC starting on July 1, 2018.

Here is a brief bio: Kerrin Kirkpatrick graduated with a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Kansas State University in 1978. She worked for various companies as a Design/Development Engineer before discerning her call to ordained ministry. Her last engineering position was as Central Air Conditioning Engineering Manager at Amana Refrigeration. In 1993, she transitioned to pastoral ministry and began seminary at the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary, graduating in 1998 with a Masters of Divinity. Kerrin was ordained a Full Elder in 2000 and later returned to UDTS while serving churches to complete a Doctorate of Ministry in 2009. She has served churches in Buck Creek-Delhi, the Cedar Rapids area, Janesville (Iowa), and is currently Senior Pastor at Asbury UMC in Bettendorf (Quad Cities). Kerrin and her husband Carl have 4 grown children and four grandchildren. She is very excited to be at Ames First UMC, and is looking forward to a great ministry partnership with the congregation.

Circle of Faith will be hosting our very own, Carrie Copley, at our February 8th meeting at 7 p.m. at FUMC. We invite the congregation, our Brothers & Sisters in Christ, to please join us as Carrie shares her heart and soul about how she came about writing her book. Carrie believes that joy is a gift from God. A gift that all too often, we don't open. Carrie recently published, *Finding Joy, Living an A+ Life in a C- World*, A story about overcoming struggles and creating a life you love. Carrie will share her journey on how God has helped her discover joy in her own life and the lives of others through her coaching practice. Carrie's message is engaging and insightful and it may just challenge you on what is possible in your own life.

Mission Moment:

When you write a separate check to FUMC- Missions, the money is divided between lots of projects. Some of the money is donated directly to the missionaries that our congregation supports. Originally from Iowa, Doug Williams is a missionary serving in Argentina. He serves as a chaplain at a local college, pastors two churches, and coordinates the Volunteers in Mission project there. You can follow him on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Argentina47/>.

To directly support his work, write a check to FUMC and put "Doug Williams missionary" in the memo line.

United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women (UMW) welcomes all women of First United Methodist to become active participants in our purpose: To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship and to expand concepts of Mission through participation in the global ministry of the church. In 2017 our unit of UMW held meetings in March, July and December, hosted Coffee hours in March; provided refreshments for Lenten studies in March and April; co-hosted the Easter Sunrise Breakfast in April, hosted UMW Sunday in July; provided ushers on the 3rd Sunday of each month, organized the Holiday Fair fundraiser in November, and assisted with the Church Thanksgiving dinner in November. Four small groups (Circles) within the unit met monthly for spiritual growth, educational programs, service activities, and fellowship. Our Quilters group met every Tuesday and the Pie Committee met as needed.



Through individual pledges and fundraising our unit contributed funds to support:

- ◆ 200 national and international mission projects sponsored by United Methodist Women.
- ◆ UM Camperships
- ◆ Appalachia Service Project
- ◆ Education Work Area
- ◆ Kitchen supplies
- ◆ The MICA home project
- ◆ Kids on a Mission
- ◆ Up with Puppets
- ◆ Free Dental clinic
- ◆ Butterfly Freedom House
- ◆ ACCESS
- ◆ Good Neighbor
- ◆ Food at First
- ◆ Wings of Refuge
- ◆ Bidwell Riverside
- ◆ And other FUMC programs

If you are interested in participating in a UMW Circle, Pie Committee, or Quilters, Unit meetings, the Holiday Fair, or have questions, please contact:

Juanita Dunn, Membership Chair, 233-4781 jrcasedunn7@gmail.com or
Jane Edwards, President, 233-4266 edwardsjane576@gmail.com.

We welcome you!





The three worship services we will share this Lenten season with UCC and FCC.

Ash Weds 2/14 @ 7p

At: Ames UCC

Preach: First Christian

Communion: First UMC

Maundy Thursday 3/29 @ 7pm

At: First UMC

Preach: Ames UCC

Communion: First Christian

Easter Sunrise 4/1 @ 630a (dawn) with service at 7 a.m.

At: Reiman Gardens in the Nature Conservatory

Preach: First UMC

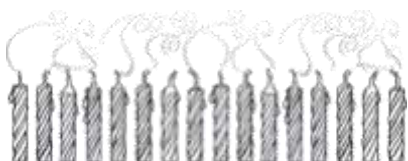
Communion: Ames UCC

**IN CHRIST'S FOOTSTEPS....
THIS YEAR'S LENTEN LUNCHES**

Lenten lunches will be held on these **FIVE** Wednesdays at noon: February 21, 28, March 7, 21 and 28. We will not meet on the Wednesday of Spring break week which is March 14. Each week you are invited to bring a sack lunch to the Multi-Purpose Room. Drinks will be provided. We will enjoy our lunch at noon, share in a brief devotional moment at about 12:15p.m. and then hear from persons working in our community who are seeming to model what it means to walk in Christ's footsteps to help others overcome adversity and woes. Come and meet some of our city's "unsung heroes" among us. February 21, the speaker will be Carrie Moser from the Emergency Residence Project. February 28, our speakers will be Heather Withers and Diane Birt who help to coordinate AIRA of which our congregation is a part. March 7, the speaker will be Fredrick Killian telling us about his interest and work with prison ministry and caring for persons who are transitioning from prison back into society. March 21, we will hear from Jeanne Kresse who will speak about all the various programs of the United Way. Hopefully on March 28, our last lunch will feature Julie Saxton who serves as the Mental health Advocate for the City of Ames .

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CORA!

Cora Van Doren is 102 today! If you would like to send her a card to let her know you are thinking of her, her address is: **Riverside Manor North
3440 Grand Ave, Apt 5
Ames, IA 50010**



**The Week at a Glance
January 28 – February 3**

Sunday, January 28
8:30 & 11:00 Services, 9:45 Sunday School

Baptism Matthew Starrett
1-5 Council Workshop/MPR
4-6 ISU Hockey Team/FH

Monday, January 29

Tuesday, January 30

Quilters
9:30 Staff Meeting
Farm to Folk
5:30-7:30 ARC Dance Club/E110

Wednesday, January 31

10:00 Wonderful Wednesday Women
No Confirmation
4:30-6:30 ARC Nutritional Class/kitch
6:00 Meal
6:30 Regular Activities

Thursday, February 1

Kiwanis "Golden K"
6-9:30 Questors (Joan Peterson)/Par

Friday, February 2

Saturday, February 3

Birthday Party/MPR
5:30 SAF

CR-Conference Room

FH-Fellowship Hall

LIB - Library

MPR-Multipurpose Room

EYR-East Youth Room

WYR-West Youth Room

SCR-Staff Conference Room

Par - Parlor

Kitch - Kitchen in FH

GREETERS

8:30

Taylor Bodholdt
Stephen Smalley

11:00

Jerri Adams

USHERS

8:30 & 11:00

United Methodist Men
&
Young Adult Class

ACOLYTES

8:30

Leo Sullivan

11:00

Jenna Johnson
Emmett Van Haecke

NURSERY

Meredith
Audrey

Audio/Video/Streaming

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| Doug Hill | Pete Peterson |
| Dean Swyter | Fredrick Killian |
| Mike Evans | Calvin Evans |
| Marty Sankey | Larry Vallery |
| Zachery Smith | Bobby Gens |
| Nicole Smith | |

Chancel Choir

**ALWAYS welcomes
NEW members! Join Us!**

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. 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! If you are interested in more information about the church or are interested in joining, please leave your information at the Welcome Center, contact one of the pastors or call the church office at 515-232-2750.

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.fumcomes.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 church services live, go to <http://bit.ly/amesfirstumclivestream>.
To view past services and other church events, go to Ames First United Methodist Church's YouTube page at <http://bit.ly/amesfirstumcyoutube>.