

**First United Methodist Church**  
**516 Kellogg Ave.**  
**515-232-2750**  
**www.fumcomes.org**  
**8:30 - May 6, 2018**

## **THE GATHERING**

*This week in our prayers for the world let us remember especially the people of Sudan and Uganda.*

## **OPENING VOLUNTARIES**

“O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart's Desire”

arr: Raymond H. Haan

“Thy Word”

Amy Grant

“How Majestic is Your Name”

Michael W. Smith

*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 THE 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, stop by the Welcome Center or call the office for more information.*

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 98)**

Sing a new song unto the Lord!

**We sing with our hearts as we love one another.**

Sing a new song unto the Lord!

**We sing of God's love and fidelity with whole lives  
as we love one another.**

Sing a new song unto the Lord!

**Glad is my soul for I have seen the  
Glory of the Lord.**

**The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised.**

**I know my Savior lives.**

**Praise be to our God!**

## **HYMN**

No. 139

“Praise to the Lord the Almighty”

## **OPENING PRAYER**

**Loving God, you teach us to love one another. Help us to do that well, with a spirit of truth and trust. Help us to know when we are called to show love. Help us to know when showing love means holding our tongue or saying “I’m sorry” or providing care and attention. Grant us the blessing of being cared for by our friends and by our families. Help us to be a people of friendship and loving kindness. Amen.**

**RITE OF CONFIRMATION (8:30)**

Sammi Jo Schaben

**A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN (11 a.m.)**

**ANTHEM**

**8:30 a.m.**

“Come to the Welcome Table”

Joseph M. Martin

Chancel Choir Acc: Carol Deppe

**11:00 a.m.**

“They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love”

arr: Mark Hayes

Piano Solo: Myrna Cakerice

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

1 John 5:1-6

**HYMN**

No. 2179

“Live in Charity” (sung twice)

**THE GOSPEL**

John 15:9-17

**WITNESS TO THE WORD**

“What Will You Do About It?” Rev. Fred Lewis

**THE INVITATION**

**CONFESSION, ASSURANCE AND PARDON**

No. 890

**OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY**

“The Love of God”

arr: Carolyn Hamlin

**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**

## **GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

## **DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

## **HYMN**

No. 3169

"You Feed Us, Gentle Shepherd"

## **CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

"Flourish on "Italian Hymn"

Gilbert M. Martin

*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**

### **MAY IS CHRISTIAN HOME MONTH**

Families are encouraged this month to:

A.) Remember your blessings!

B.) Schedule a regular family night.

C.) Do some kind of family devotions at a time when all the family can be together; say table graces and bedtime prayers --- read Bible stories.

D.) Create a family covenant of hope ---write down a list of items that make for peaceful family living with the foundations being love, forgiveness, acceptance, truthfulness, growth, and witness.

## Spring Plant Sale Today!

Spring is here and the children have planted their vegetable seeds. The seedlings are ready to be purchased. They have planted broccoli, onions, peas, peppers, tomatoes, zucchini, squash, and green beans. All plants will be \$1 each with every penny going to Food at First.

## TODAY.....SUNDAY MAY 6 Boy Scout Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser

On Sunday, May 6, the Boy Scouts of Troop 160 will host a spaghetti lunch. The cost will be a free will donation. The meal will be served in Fellowship Hall from 11:15a.m.-1:00p.m. There will be spaghetti, marinara sauce, meatballs, salad, French bread, and cake for dessert. Drinks also provided. Plan to stick around for a delicious lunch and help our scouts out.

## **ASP REGISTRATION.....**

You must Register by **May 15** if you plan on going. We need to reserve van's and start budgeting for the trip.

**PLEASE Go to [WWW.ASPHOME.ORG](http://WWW.ASPHOME.ORG) and Register as soon as possible. I have attached the Registration instructions – So far I only have Gabriel, Thomas, Scott, Don, Carrie, Will, Nicholas, Kristen, and myself registered.**

ASP has assigned us to **Boyd County, Kentucky\***. Important details about your center facility and the county you are serving in can all be found on our website at: <https://www.asphome.org/centers/kyboyd>

We also have open spots. Get the word out to others that may be willing to join us.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!  
Ken & Kathy Van Pelt



A big **“THANK YOU”** to Mary Mekemson for organizing the kitchen cleaning and to all of the women who helped!



*Thanks,*  
**Teachers!**

This Sunday we recognize all of our volunteer teachers who work with our children, youth, and adults through Sunday School, Up With Puppets, and Wednesday Programs. There will be a special brunch during coffee hour today to celebrate them!

**Those in leadership with our children:**

Justin & Laura Clausen  
Mike & Suann Evans  
Greg & Emily Fuerst  
Brett Johnson  
Fredrick & Tanya Killian  
Erika Osmundson  
Amy Parkes  
Renee Pepper  
Stephanie Starrett  
Aileen Sullivan  
Brad Sydnes  
Sharon Tamashunas  
Wesley Tener  
Renee Van Marel  
Clove Woodworth

**Those in leadership with our youth:**

Kirsten Baxter  
Hannah Bengston  
Mike & Suann Evans  
Eden & Mike Gens  
Hayley Giebelstein  
Rhonda Giebelstein  
Greta & Terry Goodman  
Jackie Hawley  
Deb Holmes  
Bonnie Johnson  
Megan Jurgens  
Reid Kruger  
Ben Smith  
Kim Van Haecke  
Kathy Van Pelt  
Amber Wiertzema

**Those in leadership with our adults:**

Chad & Carrie Copley  
Mike Evans  
Dale VanderSchaaf

We also want to thank all who lead a LIFE group! Without your leadership and support, faith formation and growth would be very difficult. Thank you!

**Mother's Day is May 13!** Wrap the world in love this Mother's Day as you celebrate the love and joy of your "Mom"! For \$5 a Church World Service (CWS) blanket can be given in honor or memory of your "mother". These blankets are used around the world to help those in need. Remember how grateful you have been for the love that your "mom" has given to you and then think about sharing this love...by blanketing the world! Please turn in blanket orders to the office by **May 8** with your check clearly marked in the memo line:

**"Mother's Day Blankets."**

**Yes, I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ blanket(s) at the cost of \$5 each. Deadline is May 8.**

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

### **CONGRATULATING OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES ON MAY 21**

On Sunday, May 20, at the 8:30 a.m. worship service we will be recognizing our graduating high school seniors. The front pews will be reserved for the seniors and their families to sit together during the worship service. There will be a moment of celebrating them in the midst of the worship service. Our congregation's Foundation scholarships will be awarded. Following the service, the congregation is invited to greet these young men and women graduates in the Fellowship hall where they will be guests at our Coffee Hour Fellowship. To insure we have your student's name for recognition, call or email Brooke Krueger at the church office (232-2750 --- [brooke@fumcames.org](mailto:brooke@fumcames.org)). Here is a list we have compiled so far:

Lauren Cassaidy, Oliver Dies, Thomas Delay, Calvin Evans, Megan Goodhue, Beverly Hawley, Shelby Heimer, Casey Hinders, Sarah Hinners, Kyler Holm, Kari Holmes, Emma Killian, Karli Jerman, Ryan Pretzer, AJ Reed, Sally Schrunk, Nathan Schmitz, and Makenzie Weyhrich.

**The Week at a Glance**  
**May 6 – May 12**

**Sunday, May 6**

**8:30 Service**

**Confirmation**

**9:45 Mission Speaker**

**11:00 Service**

3:30 March for Peace

3:30 Jazz Concert

7:00 Concert at St. Andrew's Lutheran

**Monday, April 30**

5:30 CEMT

**Tuesday, May 1**

Quilters

11:30 Staff Lunch

Farm to Folk/FH

3:30 Aktion Club/MPR

**Wednesday, May 2**

**Last Wednesday Night**

6:00 Meal; 6:30 Wednesday Activities

**Thursday, May 3**

4:30 Soccer Club/FH

5:30 Church Council

**Friday, May 4**

**Saturday, May 5**

**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**

**USHERS**

**8:30**

Mary Beth Oostenbrug

&

Larry Cormicle

Beth and Norm Cheville

Sally and Pete Peterson

**11:00**

Glendora Clark

Karen Kerper

Kris and Kevin Hinders

Steve Hanlin

**Greeters**

**8:30**

**11:00**

**ACOLYTES**

**8:30**

Leo Sullivan

**11:00**

Savanna Smith

**NURSERY**

Meredith

&

Clove

**Audio/Video/Streaming**

Doug Hill

Pete Peterson

Dean Swyter

Fredrick Killian

Mike Evans

Calvin Evans

Marty Sankey

Larry Vallery

Zachery Smith

Bobby Gens

Nicole Smith

We want to thank all the ASP youth and their counselors for the great work they did in cleaning up our yard this past weekend. It was sincerely appreciated. It was great to see so many youth working together. It could not have been accomplished without their help. Thanks again, Bob and Zella

**Chancel Choir ALWAYS welcomes NEW members! Join us!**

Contact Myrna Cakerice ([mcakerice@aol.com](mailto:mcakerice@aol.com)) if you have music you would like to share this summer.

## **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. Cephas 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](http://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 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>.