

**First United Methodist Church
516 Kellogg Ave.
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Rev. Nikki Ross Bishop
9:30 July 15, 2018**

THE GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE

“Holy Spirit, Breathe on Me”

arr: Don Phillips

“Aria”

Craig Phillips

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

Matthew H. Corl

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 at the hospitality desk in the narthex.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and worship, all you who love and serve the Lord—

outsiders and insiders,

old-timers and new-comers,

the young, old and the in-between.

Come as you are, for this is God’s house—a house of prayer for all people.

God welcomes each one who comes.

OPENING HYMN

No. 158

“Come Christians, Join to Sing”

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we know that faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. We come convinced of many things but trusting very few. Holy God of limitless surprises, meet us here in this place as we touch that which we cannot see and that which we have not dared to hope. Amen.

- Katherine Hawker

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 19:16-24

A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

“Jesus Is My Song of Grace”
Chancel Choir Acc: Barb Mittman

Joseph M. Martin

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ruth 1:8-18

WITNESS TO THE WORD

“Living Out the Calling” Pastor Nikki Ross Bishop

HYMN OF RESPONSE

COMMISSIONING OF OUR 2018 ASP MISSION WORK TEAM

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER: We rejoice to recognize you as representatives of our church, and thank God for your dedication and your gift of service. We send you on with our prayers and our support, and with you, we renew our commitment to God and service in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We pray God’s blessings for you and the Appalachia Service Project. **AMEN**

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

“Pastorale on a Theme by Mendelssohn” Felix Mendelssohn

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

No. 95 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, in abundance you give us things both spiritual and physical. Help us to hold lightly the fading things of this earth and grasp tightly the lasting things of your kingdom, so that what we are and do and say may be our gifts to you through Christ, who beckons all to seek the things above, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

HYMN

No. 593

“Here I Am, Lord”

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Praising”

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

Volunteers are needed for FUMC Night at Food at First. We will be preparing, serving, and cleaning up after the 5:30 meal on July 29. We need volunteers from 3:30-5:30 or 5:30-7:15. Please sign up by emailing Ellen at eejohnsen@hotmail.com or calling/texting 515-708-1472. Children are welcome with a parent/guardian. You can always sign up individually to volunteer at www.foodatfirst.org (and they definitely need people in the summer!), but the mission commission is organizing this day. Thank you to all the FUMC folks who already volunteer!



Summer Movie Night



What a HUGE success our summer movie nights have been so far! We have had around 100 people at both our June and July movie nights. These events are open to the entire community and we have seen people walk in to this church building who have never been in a church before or who have been apprehensive about even walking into a church. They come in to the multipurpose room with their family

and friends and then they peek into our sanctuary and you see their faces light up. They feel the hospitality of our congregation members who are here also enjoying the movie too. It has been a wonderful opportunity to open our doors to the community and let them know we are here for them. Our next and final summer movie night of the season will be on August 8 at 6:00p.m. We will be showing the movie "Wonder." If you would like to support our Summer Movie Night program, feel free to leave a check in the offering plate or with the office and put Summer Movie Night in the memo. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of this ministry.

Youth Game Night! July 25th from 6pm-10pm!

Youth grades 6th - recently graduated 12th are welcome to join us as we have a night of fun with friends new & old! We'll have a burrito bar open from 6-7pm, while we play some Pixar short films and catch up with one another. Then we'll play games until 10pm. We hope all youth will join us! Youth may bring a friend if they wish to!

RAGBRAI Fundraiser Dinner for YOUTH 2019

The youth of Ames First UMC are hosting a roast beef or ham ball dinner complete with mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, salad, desserts, and drinks on July 24 from 4-7p.m. while RAGBRAI is in town. We need your help during the various shifts. We would love to have all members of our congregation help out in some way and show your support for our youth. The youth are raising money to attend the United Methodist Church Quadrennial Youth Conference which will be held in Kansa City July 2019. The cost to attend the conference is \$334 per person with hotel and some meals as additional costs still. We hope to have a lot of fun during this event and to have the opportunity for the different generations of this congregation to work side by side, learning from and supporting one another. To sign up for a shift on Tuesday, July 24, please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090545acac2fa46-ragbrai> or contact Nicole. Shifts will be 12:30-3:45 (prep cook and set up), 3:30-6:45 (serving and other meal time duties), 6:30-8ish (clean up).

If you'd like to help make the hamballs, please let Nicole know. We will be making hamballs on Saturday, July 21 from 1-4pm. We will then freeze them and bake them during prep time on Tuesday. Also-if you'd like to make bars or cookies for desserts, please sign up on the sheet at the welcome center or in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour or contact Nicole.

Thank you for helping support the youth of Ames First UMC become bring and shining Christian leaders in our congregation, community, and globally!





What is United Methodist Women?

United Methodist Women is a supportive, inclusive Christian membership organization where

women grow spiritually, develop as leaders and serve and work to create a world in which all women, children and youth thrive. United Methodist Women is celebrated as the women's ministry of The United Methodist Church. What does United Methodist Women do? Our members nurture one another in community and support U.S. and international projects and partners improving the lives of women, children and youth with their prayers, volunteer and advocacy efforts, and financial gifts. We are faith, hope and love in action.

PURPOSE of United Methodist Women

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is 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 ministries of the church.

Do You Have A Nametag?

Larry Vallery will be taking pictures today for nametags. If you are interested, let him know. If you would like a nametag but are a little **camera shy, that's o.k. too.** We will be printing new nametags for those who request them. Please send an email to deb@fumcames.org if you want a nametag without a picture. **That way there shouldn't be any misspelled names!**



The Week at a Glance
July 15 - July 21

Sunday, July 15

9:30 Service

Pastor Nikki Ross Bishop

ASP Commissioning

Sidewalk Sunday School

Monday, July 16

Tuesday, July 17

Quilters/E109

9-12 Kids on a Mission

9:00 PEO/MPR

Farm to Folk/FH

5:30 Trustees

Wednesday, July 18

9-12 Kids on a Mission

4-5 AIRA/MPR

Thursday, July 19

9-12 Kids on a Mission

Kiwanis

5-7 MPR in use meeting

Friday, July 20

Newsletter Article Deadline

Saturday, July 21

ASP Leaving

1-4:30 MPR in use

5:30 SAF Pastor Kerrin

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

KEEP THE ASP CREW IN YOUR
PRAYERS!

USHERS

9:30

Youth, their Families &
Friends

GREETERS

9:00-9:30

Glendora Clark

WELCOME CENTER

9:15-10:45

Lori Vander Werff

ACOLYTES

9:30

TBA

NURSERY

Meredith

&

Clove

Audio/Video/Streaming

Doug Hill

Pete Peterson

Dean Swyter

Mike Evans

Calvin Evans

Marty Sankey

Larry Vallery

Zachery Smith

Bobby Gens

Nicole Smith

UTILITIES

Glendora Clark

Roy Cakerice

Becky Jordan

Jan Bortz



APPALACHIAN
SERVICE
PROJECT

YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

For more information about upcoming events and activities, see your July Newsletter or any upcoming emails. If you did not receive a newsletter, please pick one up at the back of the sanctuary if you are interested.

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. Dr. Kerrin Kirkpatrick, Senior Minister/Lead Pastor

Rev. Nikki Ross Bishop, 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 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>.