



First United Methodist Church
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9:30 August 12, 2018
Pastor Nikki Ross Bishop

THE GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE

“Peace, Perfect Peace”

arr: Diane Bish

“Meditation”

arr: Jean Pasquet

“You Are My Hiding Place/He Hideth My Soul”

arr: Susan Caudill

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 gathering area.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Matthew 11:28-30, “The Message”)

Jesus said, “Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion?
Come to Me. Get away with Me and you’ll recover your life.”

“I’ll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with Me and work with Me—watch how I do it.”

“Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or illfitting on you.”

“Keep company with Me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.”

HYMN

No. 378

“Amazing Grace” vs 1,2,3,6

OPENING PRAYER

Holy and Awesome God, we stand in Your presence, filled with regret for our many sins and failings. We have often refused to hear Your voice calling to us. At times, we choose to walk in darkness, our vision obscured. We do not care to look within, and we are unwilling to look beyond at those who need our help. Blinded by our own wants, we do not like admitting that we are too weak to walk unaided. Gentle Savior, be with us as a strong and wise friend, and teach us to walk by the light of Your truth. Forgive our failings and rebellious ways, and grant us Your peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 14:28-33 (NLT)

A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Vocal Duet: Karen Fowser and Amy Grunhord
"Walk With Us, Lord" Don Besig

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Chronicles 34:1-3, 8-9, 14, 18-19, 29-33 (NLT)

WITNESS TO THE WORD

"Josiah: The Well-Intentioned King"

HYMN

No. 349

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus" (sing twice)

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

"The Love of God"

arr: Carolyn Hamlin

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord, send us Your Holy Spirit to cleanse our hearts and purify our motives for returning a portion of what is already Yours. Set apart these gifts for Your purposes, and set us apart also as a living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us. Make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

HYMN

No. 349

"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Grand Choeur"

Theodore Dubois

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



UMW Leadership Team meets Wednesday, August 22 at 11:15 am in the Conference Room for 2019 program planning and an update on Holiday Fair plans.

Blessing of the Backpacks and Back to School Picnic

On Sunday, August 19 we invite all students and teachers to bring in their backpacks to worship service for a special blessing during the Children's Moment. Everyone will be given a special tie on for their backpacks to remember the blessing and that God is always with them. Following worship service, we will work together (all are invited) to package the donated school supplies for the UMCOR Ingathering and then have a picnic lunch out on the west lawn and patio area.

**The Week at a Glance
August 12 – August 18**

Sunday, August 12
9:30 Service
Pastor Nikki

Monday, August 13
Carpets Cleaned
5:30 Missions

Tuesday, August 14
Quilters
10:00 Staff meeting
3:00 Farm to Folk

Wednesday, August 15
9:00 Circle Program Planning
mtg/MPR
4-5 AIRA/CR
5:30 Confirmation Mtg
6:00 Youth Game Night

Thursday, August 16
Kiwanis

Friday, August 17

Saturday, August 18
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

9:30
Gifts and Memorials
History Committee

GREETERS

9:00-9:30
Marilyn Gibbs
Norma Downs

WELCOME CENTER

9:15-10:45
TBA

ACOLYTES

9:30
Sydney Gelder

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

A special thank you to Neil Van Slyke!!! Neil has volunteered to be our new librarian!



Isaiah 40 Class Schedule Update: we will have normally scheduled classes Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:30 a.m. through August 17th. Then there will be no class again until September 5th.

Nanette R. Heginger, ACE-certified Personal Trainer
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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>.



Back to School Supply Drive

The Children and families of Ames First are having a school supply drive now through August 19. On August 19 we will pack up the supplies into school kits for **UMCOR** which will be used locally and globally to help children in need of school supplies. UMCOR no longer requests the handmade school bags but if you'd like to purchase a back pack, we can always use those for children and families who stop by the church office and need school supplies.

Here is a list of UMCOR School Kit Supplies:

- **One pair blunt scissors**
Round tip only
No plastic scissors
- **One box of 24 crayons**
Only 24-count boxes are accepted
- **Three one-subject notebooks**
No marble composition books
No 3 or 5-subject notebooks
- **One pack of loose-leaf paper**
100-200 page packets are acceptable
Wide or college rule accepted
- **One hand-held pencil sharpener**
1-inch or longer
Remove from packaging
- **One ruler**
12 inches or 30 centimeters long
Sturdy or flexible material accepted
- **Six unsharpened pencils**
- **One eraser**
Two inches or larger
- **One two-gallon re-sealable plastic bag**

Contents of kits or the containers of kits should not be imprinted with cartoon characters, advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols. Some feel that something with USA on it could be considered too patriotic.