



First United Methodist Church
516 Kellogg Ave.
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9:30 August 19, 2018
Pastor Kerrin Kirkpatrick

THE GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE

Pilgrimage: A Sequence of Hymns on God's Guidance

arr: Jerry Van Der Pol

“I Will Sing of My Redeemer” arr: Steve Martin

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 (Based on John 12:24-26)

Jesus said, “Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

“Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

“Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also.”

Lord, we are Your disciples! Plant us where You will, that we may bear fruit in Your name!

HYMN

No. 2129

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we confess that we feel woefully inadequate to serve You. We have little to offer except ourselves. But we know with You, all things are possible. Give us the courage to persevere in service, especially when it would be so much easier to walk away. Help us to genuinely care for all people, not just those with whom we are comfortable. Save us from the controlling desire to “just do it myself.” Teach us to work together, developing and using the gifts You have given, that our work will be as fruitful as possible for Your coming Kingdom, though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 3:5-9

A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

“The Splendor of His Holiness”

Tom Fettke

Chancel Choir Acc: Barb Mittman

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 15:40-16:5

WITNESS TO THE WORD

“Co-Workers in the Field”

HYMN OF RESPONSE

No. 2176

“Make Me a Servant” (Sing Twice)

BAPTISM of Ronan Robert Hall and Reception into Membership of

Patrick & Katie Hall

Hymnal, pg. 33

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

“How Beautiful”

arr: John Carter

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Your importance in our lives, O God, is reflected in our gifts. We return to You, through the ministry and outreach of this church, a portion of all that You have entrusted to us. We promise that these offerings will not be the end of our giving. We will also invest our time and abilities in Your work of healing, comforting, teaching, guiding, and proclaiming good news. Bless each gift, whatever its size, and multiply the good to be done, to Your glory. Amen.
(Boy Scouts of America, 2016, alt)

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

HYMN

No. 555

“Forward Through the Ages”

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

arr: Alice Jordan

LEAVING FOR SERVICE

Chancel Choir ALWAYS welcomes NEW members!

Join us at our rehearsal Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m.

God's song and YOU make the difference!

Chancel Bells resumes practice Sept. 5 at 6:30 p.m.

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.

**The Week at a Glance
August 19 – August 25**

Sunday, August 19

9:30 Service

Pastor Kerrin

Baptism and New Member

Welcome - The Hall family

Backpack Blessing

10:45 Youth Council/CR

Monday, August 20

Troop 160 Scouts Court of
Honor/MPR

Tuesday, August 21

Quilters

11:00-12:15 Lifegroup/CR

3:00 Farm to Folk

3:30 Aktion/MPR

5:30 Finance/CR

Wednesday, August 22

11:15 UMW Leadership/CR

Thursday, August 23

Kiwanis

5-8 Ames Quilt Guild

Friday, August 24

Saturday, August 25

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

Youth and their families and
friends

GREETERS

9:00-9:30

Glendora Clark

Donna Banker

WELCOME CENTER

9:15-10:45

Joan Peterson

ACOLYTES

9:30

Addie Jurgens

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

Altar flowers were provided
by
Neil and Barb Van Slyke

UTILITIES

Ethel George

Donald & Lavonne Newell

Karen Kerper

Dean & Ronda Swyter

Roy Cakerice

Dean & Dianne Obrecht

Nancy Tamashunas

Dean & Judy Sampson



Altar Flowers

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>.