



First United Methodist Church  
516 Kellogg Ave.  
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8:30 - 11:00 October 21, 2018  
Rev. Dr. Kerrin Kirkpatrick

## THE GATHERING

### OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” arr: Eleanor Whitsett

“The Prayer “ arr: Jane Holstein

“How Beautiful” arr: Lloyd Larson

### 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 (Based on Luke 24:1-12)

On the first day of the week, three days after Jesus died, the women went to His tomb expecting to find a body. They found an empty tomb and two strangers instead!

**“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you He would rise again?”**

How often we hear without understanding, and see without comprehending!.

**We come to You this morning, O Lord, expecting to find the surprise of resurrection in Your Presence!**

HYMN No. 454

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

#### OPENING PRAYER

**Gracious God, help us rise to the edges of time and open our lives to Your eternity. Empower us to run to the edges of space and stand in awe of Your immensity. Teach us to climb through the barriers of sound and pass into Your silence. And then, in stillness and silence, let us adore You. *(pause in silence)* Lord, we come this day to worship and adore You, for You are the Healer who has renewed a dying race, the One who has taken humankind into Your glory by the wounds of Your sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

Stewardship Moment

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

**FIRST SCRIPTURE**  
**A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN**  
**ANTHEM**

Ephesians 3:14-21  
Nicole Smith

**8:30 Service:**

“Every Valley” Ruth Elaine Schram  
Chancel Choir

**11:00 Service:**

“Jesus Loves Me”  
Children Sing and play the Boomwhackers

**SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON**  
**WITNESS TO THE WORD**

Genesis 22:1-8, 15-18

“On Beyond Zebra: Stepping Into the Unknown”

**HYMN OF RESPONSE** No. 2196

“We Walk By Faith,” vs 1,3

**OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY** “O Love That Will Not Let Me Go” arr: Matt Limbaugh  
After the plate has passed, you are invited to come forward with your  
2019 pledge.

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

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

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Lord, we know You own all things, and that we are Your stewards. We joyfully return to You what is already Yours. Receive our tithes and offerings. We also bring to You our pledge cards for the upcoming year, representing our sweat, our lives, and our dreams. The pledges written on them are tokens of the amazing gifts You have given to us, and are pledged in thanksgiving for all we have received. May they be the first fruits of all we have, and not what we have left over, so that we may live out as closely as possible how You give to us. Accept our gift of our whole selves as a living sacrifice, set aside to serve You, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**HYMN** No. 525

“We’ll Understand It Better By and By,” vs 1,3,4

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Grand Chorus in B-Flat Theodore Dubois

**LEAVING FOR SERVICE**

**Chili Fundraiser!**

Remember we will hold the Chili Fundraiser **today** from 2:30pm - 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. October is National Chili Month! The Youth Council is inviting each committee, as well as anyone and everyone else who loves chili, to join us in our Chili Fundraiser! All proceeds from the fundraiser will be to help fund the youth activities and outreach. If you’d like to enter a chili, there is a \$5 donation with each chili entry. If you like chili and would just like to come enjoy the various flavors of delicious chili, Youth Council will sell tasting tickets for \$5.

**The Week at a Glance**

**Oct. 21 – Oct. 27**

**Sunday, October 21**

**8:30 1st Service**

**11:00 2nd Service**

2:30-5:30 Youth Chili Fundraiser

**Monday, October 22**

Scout Pack Meeting

**Tuesday, October 23**

5:30 Finance

**Wednesday, October 24**

Wednesday Activities

6:00 Trunk or Treat

6:30 Groups

**Thursday, October 25**

Ames Quilt Guild

**Friday, October 26**

**Saturday, October 27**

**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 & 11:00**

Youth and their families and friends!

**Greeters and Welcome Center**

**8:30 - Becky Jordan**

**Welcoming Center -**

**Rhonda Lofstedt**

**11:00 - Glendora Clark**

**ACOLYTES**

**8:30 - TBA**

**11:00 - TBA**

**NURSERY**

Meredith, Clove & Matthew

**Audio/Video/Streaming**

Doug Hill

Pete Peterson

Dean Swyter

Mike Evans

Calvin Evans

Marty Sankey

Larry Vallery

Zachery Smith

Bobby Gens

Nicole Smith

Flowers this weekend are in memory of Verle Burgason.

**FIRST NOTIFICATION**

There will be a church conference on November 7, 2018.



With Sincere Thanks....

To my church friends,

A thank you for the cards and concerns while I'm healing from a broken shoulder, which will take some time to feel healed.

Thank you to Pastor Nikki for her visits and good conversations.

Also to my son, Steve Pelz who is my 1st responder, who may have left the church a few times to help Paul and I.

In Christian love -  
Diane Pelz

## 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](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>.