

**First United Methodist Church
516 Kellogg Ave.
515-232-2750
www.fumcomes.org
8:30 - 11:00 November 18, 2018
Rev. Dr. Kerrin Kirkpatrick**

THE GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE

“Wonderful Words of Life” arr: James/Stan Pethel
“For the Beauty of the Earth” arr: James/Stan Pethel
Piano/Organ Duet Meditations - Barb Mittman/Myrna Cakerice

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 (from Romans 3:21-24, NLT)

God has shown us a way to be made right with Him without keeping the requirements of the religious law, as was promised in the writings of Moses and the prophets long ago.

We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are. For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God’s glorious standard. **Yet God freely and graciously declares that we are righteous. He did this through Jesus Christ when He freed us from the penalty for our sins!**

HYMN

No. 98

“To God Be the Glory”

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we love to come together and sing praises to You! You are our only hope for life beyond ourselves. And yet, just as quickly as we praise, the smallest thing can trigger a sour note within us, and we are reminded of those who have hurt us, the injustices done against us, the unforgiveness we harbor that embitters us. Lord, save us from ourselves! Teach us to forgive, that we may tear down the barriers that cripple our relationship with You, with others, and even with ourselves. Take away the desire to “get even,” that we may both give and receive Your amazing grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE
A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN
ANTHEM

Luke 7:36-39, 44-47
Grace McCunn

8:30 Service:

“Tapestry of Thanks” Anna Laura Page/Jean Ann Shaffermen
Chancel Choir Acc: Barb Mittman
Narration: Neil VanSlyke

11:00 Service:

“Lord's Prayer” Up With Puppets
Music is The Lord's Prayer by Hillsong Worship.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON
WITNESS TO THE WORD

Matthew 18:23-35
“Forgive Us as We Forgive”

HYMN OF RESPONSE

No. 390

“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive,” vs 1,3 (Tune: “Amazing Grace” #378)

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY Voluntary on "Kremser" Gordon Young

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All things come from you, Lord. With gratitude, we return to You what is already Yours. Everything is a trust from You, and we know that we will never be able to pay You back. This morning we offer to You all that we are and all that we have, in union with Christ’s offering for us. By Your Holy Spirit, 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. 377

“It Is Well with My Soul,” vs 1,2,3

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Thanks Be to God” George Frederick Handel

LEAVING FOR SERVICE

We Gather
Together



Join us today for our annual FUMC
Thanksgiving Dinner. Serving starts at
11:30.



YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

NEW YOUNG ADULT GROUP....

Are you out of high school, under the age of 30 and looking for a young adult small group to join?

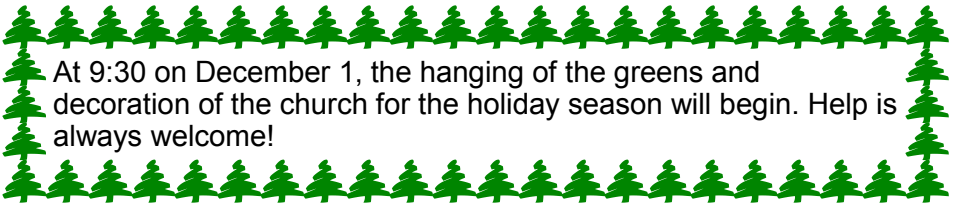
Pastor Nikki will be forming a new young adult group that will meet on Wednesday evenings.

The first meeting will be on November 28 at 8:00 in the High School youth room.

Please contact Pastor Nikki at nikki@fumcames.org, if you have questions.

Annual UMM Omelet Breakfast

FUMM is hosting their annual Omelet Breakfast at the church on Saturday, December 1, 2018. Serving will be from 8:00-10:00. Everyone is welcome. A freewill donation will be requested.



At 9:30 on December 1, the hanging of the greens and decoration of the church for the holiday season will begin. Help is always welcome!

MISSIONS....

Want to spread some holiday cheer to local children and youth? YSS (which is located right across the street from FUMC) is collecting gifts for the youth in their programs. If you'd like to purchase a gift, simply take a gift tag from the tree located near the Welcome Desk. Buy the desired item and return it (unwrapped) to the same tree by December 9. Questions? Contact Chris Holm - 515-296-0239. Thanks for extending the spirit of giving to children and youth in our county!

Sermon Series in November. "The World's Most Dangerous Prayer"

November 18th:

"Forgive Us as We Forgive"

Main Scripture: Matthew 18:23-35

November 25th:

"For Thine is the Kingdom" (Christ the King Sunday)

Main Scripture: John 12:27-33

Christmas Program Rehearsal SCHEDULE



Actors Only!

There will be many practices coming up for our "Actors" only for the Children's Christmas program. This does NOT include all of the children-only those with assigned acting parts. Those practices will be :

Dec 1 from 2:30-4p.m.

Dec 8 from 4-5p.m. Full Dress Rehearsal with all of the children will be Dec 2 during Sunday school hour with the program on Dec 9 during the Sunday school hour.

Upcoming Dates!!

December 2: Full Rehearsal for Children's Christmas Program

December 9: Children's Christmas Program at 10:00a.m.

December 12: Christmas Caroling

December 16: A Birthday Party for Jesus (Sunday school hour)

December 19: Christmas PJ Party at 6:00p.m.

December 23: One service at 8:30a.m. and no Sunday school

December 30: One service at 8:30a.m. and no Sunday school

December 31: Noon Year's Eve Party, 10:30 a.m.

Dear FUMC families,

We are so thankful for our church family and the prayers, caring thoughts, hugs and support given while Dale was in Hospice were overwhelming. Special “thanks” to Pastors, Kerrin and Nikki for their visits.

With appreciation.
Carolyn and family



Would you like to be the one that brightens someone's day? We are becoming more aware each day of church members who might want a visit because they are unable to come to church as often as they once did. Look

around you, are there some faces that you haven't seen in a while? FUMC has a need for more visiting friends. While our list grows longer of friends to visit, our list of visitors isn't growing as fast. If you would like to learn more about this special ministry or have questions, please contact Pastor Nikki.

A HAIR RAISING EXPERIENCE!

Be a part of Ames First UMC's 2nd Annual Hair – Raising Fundraiser!
There are three ways to be a part of this:

1. Grow that beard/mustache during November.
2. Donate 8 inches minimum hair at the end of the month.
3. Give online or by check or cash to FUMC. Please put HAIR in the memo line. If you want to give in one of the participants' names directly, just put their name after HAIR.

To give online, go to:

<http://www.fumcameseevents.com/a-hair-raising-fundraiser.cfm>

All funds raised and the hair donations will go to “Children With Hair Loss”. This is a non-profit organization that provides wigs and hair pieces to children up to the age of 21 at no cost.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas is just around the corner! We will again be offering two different sizes of poinsettias this year. You may choose an 8 inch pot for \$15 or a 10 inch pot for \$25. Please, place your order by December 10. After all of the Christmas services, you may take your plant home. Remember what you ordered so you know what to pick up. We are also offering the Alternative Mission Gift again this year. The money will go to a "Good Samaritan Fund".

POINSETTIAS

Name _____

Given in memory of _____

Given in honor of _____

Colors/Size

_____ White 8 in. plant

_____ Pink 8 in. plant

_____ Red 8 in. plant

_____ Glitter (red & white combo) 8 in. plant

_____ Peppermint 8 in. plant

_____ Marble (pink & white combo) 8 in. plant

_____ White 10 in. plant

_____ Pink 10 in. plant

_____ Red 10 in. plant

_____ Glitter (red & white combo) 10 in. plant

_____ Peppermint 10 in. plant

_____ Marble (pink & white combo) 10 in. plant

Substitutions may be made based on availability

My check is enclosed for the amount of _____. Please write **Poinsettias** in the memo line.

ALTERNATIVE MISSION GIFT - "GOOD SAMARITAN FUND"

Name _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

My check is enclosed for the amount of _____. Please write **Alternative Mission Gift** in the memo line.

The Week at a Glance
Nov. 18 – Nov. 24

Sunday, Nov. 18

8:30 & 11:00

11:30 FUMC Thanksgiving Dinner

Monday, Nov. 19

5:30 Foundation/CR

6:30 Court of Honor/MPR

Tuesday, Nov. 20

Quilters

3:00 Farm to Folk

4:00 AKTION Club

5:30 Trustees/CR

Wednesday, Nov. 21

NO WWW

NO WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

Thursday, Nov. 22

OFFICE CLOSED

Happy
Thanksgiving



Friday, Nov. 23

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, Nov. 24

5:30 SAF

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Youth, families & friends

Greeters and Welcome Center

8:30 - Chad & Carrie Copley

Welcoming Center

Rhonda Lofstedt

11:00 - Glendora Clark

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Welcoming Center

Rhonda Lofstedt

ACOLYTES

8:30

Leo Sullivan

11:00

Emmett Van Haecke

Dunkin Bearson

NURSERY

Meredith, Clove, Matthew & Andrea

Audio/Video/Streaming

Doug Hill

Pete Peterson

Dean Swyter

Mike Evans

Calvin Evans

Marty Sankey

Larry Vallery

Zachery Smith

Bobby Gens

Nicole Smith

UTILITIES

Denny & Trudie Anderson

11-13, 11-28, 12-05



Chancel Choir ALWAYS welcomes new members!

Join us!

Chancel Bells has openings for low bells which can also be played with a mallet.

Contact Myrna Cakerice for information (mcakerice@aol.com)



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>.

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