



First United Methodist Church
516 Kellogg Ave.
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www.fumcomes.org
8:30 & 11:00 Sept 8, 2019
Pastor Kerrin Kirkpatrick

THE GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE

"Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him"

arr: Lani Smith

"To Celebrate the Day"

Franklin Ritter

"Praise the Lord of Lords"

"O For a Thousand Tongues"

arr: Steven Scott

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 (UM Book of Worship # 455, alt.)

We have come from afar and waited long. Let us sit side by side.

We sit side by side, sharing the same Bread from the same Source, to quiet the same hunger that makes us weak.

Then standing together, let us share in the same Spirit.

May we share the Mind of Christ, who draws us together in loving unity and brings the peace which surpasses all understanding!

HYMN No. 596

"Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word"

OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, we are being bombarded with messages competing for our attention. They threaten to yank us in urgent directions and send us in circular journeys. Steady our steps, so that we will not stagger at the uneven motions of the world. Bind us up into Christ, that we may, with fearless confidence, go far together in Your Name. Amen.

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

Introduction of Discipleship Ministries Teams

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE
A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN
ANTHEM

2 Timothy 3:14-17
Nicole Smith
"Up With Puppets"

SECOND SCRIPTURE
WITNESS TO THE WORD
HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 2226

1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27
"Ubuntu: The Power of Together"
"Bind Us Together"

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Assurance" arr: John Ness Beck

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Accept, O Lord, these offerings Your people are making to You today. We ask that the work for which these gifts are used will prosper under Your guidance and in partnership with You, to Your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (adapted, #755, 1966 Methodist Hymnal)

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

HYMN No. 555 "Forward Through the Ages"

CLOSING VOLUNTARY "A Festive Postlude" Don Phillips

LEAVING FOR SERVICE



"Foundations for Christian Faith"

Pastor Kerrin is offering "Foundations for Christian Faith" for adults again this year! The class will meet in the Sarah Room on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30pm, beginning September 11th, through mid-May 2020. Please contact the office (515-232-2750) to sign up for the class. There are enough people signed up to have the class, but she has room for 30. If you are interested and haven't signed up yet, you have until Monday, September 9.

NOTES

Wednesday Night Fellowship Kickoff Event: Tailgate Style

Wednesday, September 11

On September 11, we'll kick it off tailgate style at 5:30 in the south church lot. Enjoy tailgate games like bags (aka Cornhole), yard Yahtzee, hula hoop contests and three-legged races as we are tied TOGETHER (note the use of the theme for the year here)!

The grill will be on the patio and grill masters will be in place cooking up burgers and hot dogs. Vegetarian options will be available too. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Bring your own chair (BYOC) as we come back together for our mid-week booster shot of faith, fun and fellowship! All ages are invited to this intergenerational opportunity. And, with the big Iowa State vs Iowa weekend coming up that weekend, wear your favorite team gear if you'd like. It's o.k. if it isn't Cardinal and Gold...you're still a beloved child of God and we love and welcome you!



WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS AND ACTIVITIES

Creating faith formation opportunities for all ages, **EVERYONE** is welcome for all Wednesday Night Fellowship at Ames First United Methodist Church. Take a night off from cooking and join others for our free-will offering dinner, serving from 5:30-6:30 each Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall. Simply come for dinner and conversation, or stay for various activities, games and kids, youth and adult classes from 6:30-7:30.

RUTH CIRCLE MEMBERS:

With our September meeting on September 12th, we will be starting a new tradition. We will meet at the usual time (9:00 a.m.) for our annual brunch. This will take the place of our former January brunch, which quite often had to be canceled due to bad weather. So plan to join us September 12th at 9:00 a.m. Food will be furnished. It is NOT a potluck as was stated in the program book.

The United Methodist Women will be having Parents Morning Out again this year. The UMW invite families with pre-school children and one parent at home to participate in the Parents Morning Out program at our church on Wednesday mornings from 9-11 am. Each family will volunteer once a month along with a UMW member to provide childcare in the church nursery for participating children. To register: please contact Jane Edwards, edwardsjane576@gmail.com. The program will begin Wednesday, September 18.

Sunday Opportunities:

Morning classes meet 9:45am-10:45am Sundays.

Faith and Reason

This group has a strong focus on faith and social action. They use a variety of video-based lessons, articles from various organizations, and books from noted writers and thinkers from around the world, as they discuss the relationship between religious fundamentalism and democracy, equality, and human rights. Join them for an invigorating discussion! **Room E110**

Coffee Talk

This group utilizes a great variety of video and book-based studies covering numerous relevant topics in regard to faith formation. Chad and Carrie Copley lead this group that always has an engaging and thought-provoking discussion based on the studies. **Conference Room**

Parents Group

September 22 we will kick off our small group! We will have a family game night from 4-5:30pm in the multipurpose room. Please bring a board game and an appetizer to share.

We will meet the 1st and 3rd Sunday from 4:00-5:00pm. The kids will play in the nursery while parents have a study. Afterwards we will gather in the nursery to read a family devotional. Then the 3rd Sunday everyone is welcome to have dinner at Pizza Ranch.

Meeting Dates :

October 6 & October 20

November 3 & November 17

December 1 & December 15

The theme of the six week study will be fear less pray more. We will talk about the many fears that come with parenting. We will pray for one another.

We are asking \$5 per child or \$10 per family each meeting to pay for the nursery workers.

Please email Stephanie with any questions. shstarrett@gmail.com.

Young Adult Small Group

This group is for those who have graduated high school but do not yet have kids. We will plan meeting dates and times based on participants schedules. Contact Pastor Nikki Ross Bishop, 232-2750, for more information or to express interest in joining.

LIFE Groups

LIFE stands for Living and Learning In Faith Every day. Each group has between 5-10 members and may meet in the church or someone's home. Groups walk along beside each other on their spiritual journeys and may also participate in Bible Studies. Contact Chad and Carrie Copley if you're interested in starting or joining a group.

HOLIDAY FAIR 2019 IS OCTOBER, 19!

The Holiday Fair Committee would like to once again make it easier for you to bring donations to us for Grandma's Attic, Seasonal Décor and Made with Love. Beginning Sunday, September 15, you can bring your items to church. Once Wednesday night activities resume, we could accept items on Wednesday evenings. If you cannot get your items to the church, we can arrange for home pick-up. However, home pick-up would not be available the week of the Fair. If you are interested in any of these options, or have other questions about the Fair, please contact any of the Chairs listed below.

Carolyn Yorgensen	292-5648
Donna Banker	515-419-4966
Margaret Torrie	mtorrie@iastate.edu
Joan Peterson	515-451-3011

NOODLE TIME!

It is soon time to get out the rolling pins! No experience is necessary for this job, so please plan to join us for this important Holiday Fair project. We always run out of noodles early in the morning the day of the Fair so we could really use your help to make as many noodles as possible. The dates are September 24 & 25, October 1 & 2, and October 8 & 9. We roll out and cut the noodles in the main kitchen on Tuesdays, beginning about 7:30am and then bag the noodles beginning about 8:00am on Wednesdays. Hope to see you there!! For questions call Carolyn Yorgensen at 292-5648.

TEA RINGS

It will be tea ring making time soon. Work days are October 3 & 10. Dough prep at 7:15, rolling and shaping begins at 8:30 with cleanup finished about 1:00. Help is needed for all steps of the process and you are welcome to come and work for as long as you can. Sign up at the Ruth Circle meeting on September 12 or call Marlene Erickson 515-232-1272. It's good fellowship and the tea rings are a tradition of the Holiday Fair.

The "Made With Love" room welcomes your hand made, functional items for the UMW Holiday Fair. We also again welcome needlework kits/projects/sewing notions you no longer want. You may drop off all items at the church office any Sunday morning or during office hours by Wed., Oct 16. Please remember to label with your name and phone number and whether you want unsold items returned to you. Any questions, please call or text Joan Peterson at 515-451-3011. Thank you very much!

Seasonal Décor

The Seasonal Décor room is again looking for Fall, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, Birthday or any decorations for special events. If you have such items that are clean and in good shape, we would love to have them for this room. This could include dishes, tablecloths, centerpieces or aprons for special occasions.

Grandma's Attic needs your donations!

Please consider donating some nice antiques, collectibles, vintage jewelry, linens, furs, serving dishes, and older/unique odds and ends. We have limited space, but could take a few small pieces of furniture, but please call first.

If you want a certain price on your donation, please leave your name, phone # and price. Especially, if you want the items back - we need it labeled. Please be choosy - items should be clean and in good shape. Thank you so much!

Call Mary Mekemson (515-451-3151) if you have questions or need help.

TEAM BAKE SHOPPE!

Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, Team Bake Shoppe needs YOU! It takes a team effort to provide all the goodies for the Bake Shoppe so tie on those aprons and pull out your favorite recipes. We need lots of cakes, cookies, rolls, pies, muffins, candy, jam, jelly and other specialties for the Bake Shoppe on October 19th.

All items should be visible, please don't wrap in foil.

PLEASE LABEL ITEMS AND IF THEY INCLUDE NUTS OR PEANUT BUTTER, PLEASE LABEL TO INDICATE THAT.

Please bring items to the Bake Shoppe (upstairs in the West Youth Room) on Friday (10/18) or early Saturday morning (10/19) so they can be priced and arranged. Candy will be weighed and priced. Baked goods will be priced depending on size, ingredients and decorations. If you have questions, please contact Carol Miller (233-5516) or Peggy McConnell (290-1400).

**THANKS FOR JOINING TEAM BAKE SHOPPE!
WITH YOUR HELP,
TEAM BAKE SHOPPE WILL SCORE A HUGE WIN!**

No Kitchen Corner this year!

Due to space issues, we regret that we will not be able to offer Kitchen Corner this year.

"Judy's Angels" Fundraiser

The Ames annual "Walk to End Alzheimer's" will be held at the Ames Middle School on the morning of October 12th. I have two fundraising projects established to meet our "Judy's Angels" goal of \$6,500. This summer I have completed walking all the streets of Ames. My total miles walked were 256.5 in 48 days at an average of 5.34 miles daily.

Our other project is to offer a silent auction for the following:

October 19 @ 8pm-2 tickets row 13 - Beautiful- Carol King Musical

November 3rd @ 7:30pm 2 tickets row 11 - Jersey Boys

November 17th @3pm 10 tickets row 12 - children's performance of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. Multiple families can bid.

December 3rd @ 7:30 Canadian Brass row 16

Pete Tekippe Photography Free family sitting & 11x14 portrait.

I will have sign-ups in the church for you to make your bids. Checks are to be made out to Alzheimer's Association and for Judy's Angels.

Thank you and God Bless You, Judy & Dean

UNAFRAID- All Church Study

September 22 is the starting date for the FUMC all church study **Unafraid, Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times** by Adam Hamilton.

The book and five session video series discusses fear as it relates to a multitude of origins. Hamilton "draws on recent research, real-life examples and fresh biblical insight to untangle the knots we feel about disappointing others, failures, financial insecurity, loneliness, insignificance and aging". He also discusses exaggerated fears of terrorism, crime and politics.

Youth and children's studies will use age appropriate resources. Adult, Youth and Childrens' Ministry committees encourage all interested members to participate in Sunday morning classes, mid-week and other small group settings. New groups will be formed as needed.

To order a book for the adult study, contact your current group or class leader by September 15. If you are not currently in a group, you can also order a book through the church office, 232-2750. Cost is \$16.

Youth and Parents,

There is a new drama group for 6th graders starting up here at First United Methodist Church during the 11:00 service starting on October 13th. It is a group that will meet every second Sunday of the month for about an hour and we are hoping to get creative, excited kids to join and do some great theater skits. If you have any questions, please reach out to Wesley Tener at (319) 430-3152 or email at marvelfan89@outlook.com

Financial Peace University

We want to give you the opportunity to learn how to do the money thing God's way and end up in better shape than you ever thought possible. The class is called Financial Peace University, and it's taught on video by Dave Ramsey. It has been some time since this class was offered at Ames First United Methodist Church. Joel Sullivan has volunteered to be the class coordinator. This is a 9 week program. The cost of the class is \$120. It teaches you how to apply biblical principles to the way you handle money and how to start truly managing all of the resources God has given you. Each weekly session starts with Dave Ramsey teaching on video and is followed by a powerful small group discussion. This class breaks the process down into easy steps that will help no matter where you are. To determine interest in the class, please let the church office know. If you would like to sign up for the class or if you want more information about the class, visit with Joel Sullivan (ajsully6873@yahoo.com). You may also sign up on the Financial Peace University Website by going to this link: <https://www.fpu.com/1094750>

Dates for Financial Peace Classes:

1. Was Sept 03, 2019 - 6:30 PM
2. Baby Step 2 Sept 10, 2019 - 6:30 PM
3. Baby Step 3 Sept 17, 2019 - 6:30 PM
4. Baby Steps 4, 5, 6, & 7 Oct 01, 2019 - 6:30 PM
5. Buyer Beware Oct 08, 2019 - 6:30 PM
6. The Role of Insurance Oct 15, 2019 - 6:30 PM
7. Retirement Planning Oct 22, 2019 - 6:30 PM
8. Real Estate & Mortgages Oct 29, 2019 - 6:30 PM
9. Outrageous Generosity Nov 05, 2019 - 6:30 PM

State of the Church-What will the kids be doing?

On Sunday, September 15 during Pastor Kerrin's State of the Church, there will be a whole group time for children preschool through 5th grade so all teachers can attend the State of the Church. The nursery will also be open for children under preschool age. Clove and Nicole will lead this group. They will be watching a movie and will have some crafts and snacks. This will happen in the multipurpose room from 9:45-10:45.

**Your First United Methodist (Ames) Foundation
is hosting a free meal and workshop called:
TAX-SAVVY WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR FAVORITE MINISTRY**

Wednesday, October 2

Meal served at 5:40 p.m. and workshop begins at 6 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend this FREE workshop!

You will learn strategies for donating a variety of assets (stocks, property, etc.) to non-profits, while decreasing your personal tax liability and maximizing the value of the gift. You may be able to give in ways you hadn't thought about before!

Katharine Yarnell, Executive Director of the Iowa United Methodist Foundation, has 14 years of experience with Financial Stewardship and Estate Planning. She served a rural congregation in Kansas for ten years, and as Field Outreach Minister of the North Central District for five years. She has her M.Div. D. Min. CFRE FCEP and AIF®

For more information, please email katharine.yarnell@iumf.org or call 515-974-8928.

Appalachia Service Project

Are you interested in making a difference, do you love helping others, do you like to travel? Then ASP is for you!! Appalachia Service Project is a mission trip for high school youth and chaperones. We can use all skill levels, from handing out water and sunscreen to master carpenter. If you are interested in helping Ames First youth grow in their faith, while helping the people of Appalachia contact Ken Van Pelt, kkvanpelt@g.com, or Pastor Nikki, nikki@fumcames.com. Our next trip will be in July of 2020, but early bird registration is due by November, so don't wait. Come to church on September 15th for more information about ASP at both services!

CONCERT AT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Ames Town and Gown will be having a concert here on Friday evening, September 27 at 7:30. As they have done in the past, they would like to offer 24 complimentary tickets to our concert .

The concert is featuring RUSSIAN RENAISSANCE, four virtuoso musicians from Moscow, playing on authentic Russian folk instruments. The music itself will be of many styles, from classical to folk to jazz

Mark your calendars! Fall is coming soon!

Chancel Bells and Chancel Choir resume practice September 11.

Contact Myrna Cakerice (mcakerice@aol.com) if your are interested.

Chancel Bells meets at 6:30p.m.

Chancel Choir ALWAYS welcomes NEW members and meets at 7:30p.m

**The Week at a Glance
Sept 8 - Sept 14**

Sunday, Sept 8

RALLY SUNDAY

8:30 & 11:00 Services

9:30 - 11:00

“Together in Ministry” Fair

Monday, Sept 9

5:30 CFIM/CR

6:00 Nominations/SCR

6:00 PEO - Karen Barnes/MPR

Tuesday, Sept 10

Quilters

11:00 Bible Study/CR

3:00 Farm to Folk

5:30 Member Care/CR

6:30-8:30 Financial Peace/MPR

Wednesday, Sept 11

9:30 WWW Breakfast at Village INN

5:30 Wednesday Night Kickoff

6:30 & 7:30 Choir and Bells

Thursday, Sept 12

9:00 Annual Brunch (Ruth&Sarah
Cir)/MPR

9:30 Kiwanis/FH

5:15 Silver Anniversary Circle/MPR

Friday, Sept 13

9:00 Discipleship Staff mtg/SCR

Saturday, Sept 14

NO Prayer Shawls

5:30 SAF/Chapel

GREETERS

Margaret Torrie 1st service

USHERS

Glendora Clark

Steve Hanlin

ACOLYTES

NA

COFFEE TIME

NURSERY

Meredith, Clove, & Andrea

Audio/Video/Streaming

Doug Hill

Pete Peterson

Dean Swyter

Mike Evans

Calvin Evans

Marty Sankey

Larry Vallery

Zachery Smith

Bobby Gens

Nicole Smith

Ben Smith

Gary Hood

Adam Heuer

UTILITIES

Roy Cakerice

Becky Jordan

Greg & Rhonda Lofstedt

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>.

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, a place of alienation and brokenness. Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness, and 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.”** ALL are ONE IN CHRIST. We at Ames First UMC acknowledge that this reconciliation encompasses ALL within the community of faith who exhibit differences in race, gender, and ethnicity, as well as age, culture, physical ability, educational level, economic status, personality, marital status, and sexual orientation.

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 worth that comes from being unique individuals created by God;

ALL persons are welcome within the membership of this congregation upon making an affirmation of faith; and,

ALL persons are encouraged and expected to share in the sacramental and general life of this congregation as members of this church.