

**First United Methodist Church**  
**516 Kellogg Ave.**  
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**www.fumcomes.org**  
**Online at 8:30 May 17, 2020**  
**Rev. Dr. Kerrin Kirkpatrick and Rev. Nikki Ross Bishop**

**OPENING VOLUNTARIES---PRELUDE**

“You Raise Me Up”

Arr: Joel Rainey

“Fanfare and Prelude to a New Beginning”

Douglas E. Wagner

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Arr: Douglas E. Wagner

“Song from a Secret Garden”

Arr: Jane Holstein

**WELCOME**

Carney Family

**GREETING, SHARING NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Based on Proverbs 3:3-6)

Never let loyalty and kindness get away from you! Wear them like a necklace; write them deeply within your heart.

**Then you will find favor with both God and people, and you will gain a good reputation.**

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.

**Seek His will in all you do, and He will direct your paths.**

**HYMN**

“Nothing Between”

Spring of Hope

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Lord God, You love with an everlasting love because You are Love! You are patiently effective, always and everywhere, even when we cannot feel Your presence. Teach us loving, waiting patience when there is no answer to our questioning and doubt. Give us the faith to wait for You to unfold Your promises, so that we do not try to force Your hand. Give us grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed, the courage to change the things that should be changed, and the wisdom to distinguish the one from the other, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, & GOD SIGHTINGS**

Senior Recognition

**PASTORAL PRAYER**  
**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 19:16, 21-26

Amanda Thomas

**A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN**

Nicole Smith

**ANTHEM**

“Love Like This”

Lauren Daigle

Libby Gens

**SECOND SCRIPTURE**

Genesis 21:8-20

**WITNESS TO THE WORD**

“To Heir is Human; The Promise – Divine!”

**HYMN OF RESPONSE**

“Have Mercy, O God”

Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

**OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

“This Little Light of Mine” Arr: Mark Hayes

Myrna Cakerice

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Almighty God, You are the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Teach us to give to You all that we have and all that we are, so that we may praise You with more than just our lips. We seek to praise You with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to You; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**  
(adap, Book of Worship #555)

**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**HYMN**

“Marching to Zion”

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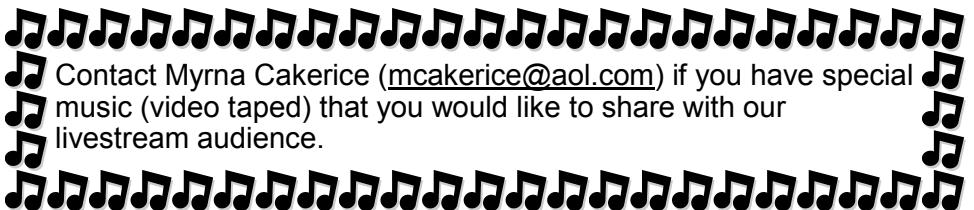
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**CLOSING VOLUNTARY---POSTLUDE**

“Trumpet Tune in C”

Leon Nelson

**LEAVING FOR SERVICE**



Contact Myrna Cakerice ([mcakerice@aol.com](mailto:mcakerice@aol.com)) if you have special music (video taped) that you would like to share with our livestream audience.

## **Congratulations to the class of 2020!**

This class has gone through a senior year that they could never have imagined even in their wildest dreams. They have not let this challenge defeat them. They are looking forward to a brighter 2021!



### **Gabriel Carney**

Parents: Matthew and Rhonda Carney

Gabe will be attending DMACC in Ankeny in the fall. He currently has an interest in the area of sustainability and plans on transferring to a 4 year college at a later date.

### **Samantha Carney**

Parents: Matthew and Rhonda Carney

Samantha will be pursuing a 6 year Pharmacy degree at South Dakota State University to eventually become a pharmacist. She has recently started a summer pharmacy technician position at the Ames CVS pharmacy in Target.

### **Kaitlyn Goodman**

Parents: Terry and Greta Goodman

Kaitlyn is graduating from Ames High School and will be attending the University of Iowa in the fall with a major in Health and Human Physiology and pre-dentistry.

### **Cara Heuer**

Parents: Joy and Rick Heuer

Future plans: Attend the University of Iowa for Human Physiology and pre-PT

### **Erik Nelson**

Parents: Chris and Anne Nelson

Erik plans to attend UC California, Berkeley and major in Computer Science.

### **Maddie Shelton**

Parents: Josh and Kristy Anderson

Maddie is planning to attend Iowa State University in the fall with a major in Elementary Education. Maddie is currently practicing her future career by helping some kids with online school while finishing up her High school and DMACC classes this semester.

### **Nate Vander Werff**

Parents: Lori and Duane Vander Werff

Nate will graduate from Gilbert High School. He has been an FFA Officer and Iowa degree recipient. Nate has participated in Varsity wrestling and gained the rank of Eagle Scout with Troop 157 in Gilbert & Order of the Arrow. He is planning to attend Iowa State in the fall to major in Agriculture

## Hello from the Youth Ministries Corner!

We are excited to share that the Youth Ministries Team is up and running. The Youth Ministries Team is the umbrella committee/team that will work with all the different awesome youth programs at Ames First.

Congrats to Madison Wiertzema! She has been accepted to serve on the Simpson Youth Academy alumni board. Way to go!

We will be adding a summer school session for MS/HS students. This will start the week of June 1. Emails will go out with details.

Thanks again to all the students that participated in the COVID-19 inspired youth points program. Another big thanks to all the youth leaders that taught, guided and cared for the youth during this past school year.

We are looking forward to summer!  
Thanks,

Kim Heidemann, Youth Ministries Coordinator

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

### Young Adult Zoom Meetings

Young Adults will be meeting every Monday at 6pm to share joys and concerns and to discuss the previous day's worship. If you would like to join please contact Pastor Nikki at [nikki@fumcomes.org](mailto:nikki@fumcomes.org)

**Children & their families** are invited to jump on the final Children's Sunday School Zoom session at 9:45a.m. of the "school year" **TODAY!**

**Hey kids (and parents)!** Don't forget to check out our **LAST WEEK** of Move It Monday, What's Up Wednesday, and Try Day Friday Zoom sessions. These are usually about 15-20 minutes and are live at 11:00a.m.

Recordings are sent out in case you miss it and want to work it into your schedule at a different time. Contact Nicole if you need the link. [nicole@fumcomes.org](mailto:nicole@fumcomes.org).

We will resume Sunday school this summer beginning **June 7**. It will be our Summer Sidewalk Sunday School brought to you through Zoom and led by a variety of people from our congregation. Look for an email invitation coming soon for you and/or your family to take a Sunday to lead! (Curriculum can be provided).



## **IT'S ALREADY THE MIDDLE OF MAY!**

**Don't forget to get your kids registered for SPLASH BASH!! Our virtual VBS for 2020. We will have plenty of options for kids to be able to do things on their own, with their whole family, catch videos at any time, and even some evening live events during June 22-26!**



**Remember, registration is only open through the month of May and will close sooner if we reach a maximum number of participants. So register today! Here is the link to register:**

<https://www.fumcameseevents.com/virtual-vbs-2020.cfm>

## **I'VE GOT THE MUSIC IN ME!!!!**

If you've been enjoying the various music videos played during the livestream each week, we are now creating a weekly playlist on our YouTube channel. If you haven't subscribed to our YouTube channel, be sure to do so! You'll be alerted when new playlists are available as well as when new videos are posted and when the livestream goes live.



## **Adult Sunday School Continues On**

Please join Coffee Talk every Sunday at 10:30am as we continue to connect with one another and study God's Word.

## **Mid Week FUMC Connections Group**

Join us on Zoom each Wednesday evening at 7:00 for connecting with one another, sharing joy, concerns, needs and prayer. If you need help connecting to Zoom, please contact the Copley's at 515-291-4380.

**Frame for On-Line Worship, June 2020**  
**GENESIS: June 7th – June 28th: *Jacob***

**June 7th: “The Divine Disappointment” Love Feast Sunday**  
**Preaching: Pastor Kerrin**

Main Scripture: Genesis 25:19-34

Supporting: Romans 9:6-16

**June 14th: “The Encounter”**  
**Preaching: Pastor Kerrin**

Main Scripture: Genesis 28:10-22

Supporting: John 14:1-3, 6, 16-19, 29

**June 21st: “The Journey”**  
**Preaching: Pastor Kerrin**

Main Scripture: Genesis 29:15-28

Supporting: Matthew 10:16- 20

**June 28th: “Face to Face ”**  
**Preaching: Pastor Kerrin**

Main Scripture: Genesis 32:22-31

ON THE FUMCAMES WEBSITE

<http://fumcames.org/amesfirstumc-need-to-know-during-covid-19/>

Check out an the links below to help you stay connected during the Covid-19 Closures

[How to access Live Stream of worship](#)

[How to access the Recording of worship](#)

[How to set up a Google Account to sign in, comment, and subscribe for Livestream](#)

[Sharing Joys, Concerns, and God Sightings during Covid-19](#)

[How to continue financial giving during Covid-19](#)

[Children and Families LIVE opportunities to connect during Covid-19](#)

[Youth Group Connection during Covid-19](#)

[A survey from the Ministry Team – How Are You Doing?](#)

[A message from Pastor Kerrin – March 19, 2020](#)



## UMW Update

These are surely different times but UMW is still in action! We can't meet in person but that doesn't stop us from calling, emailing or even visiting (from a safe distance!). Some have been sewing masks for those who need them. Others do what they can helping neighbors get groceries, checking on friends and family or even just staying home.

Thank you all! Every effort helps! UMW ladies have faced changes and challenges for 150+ years, we can continue to be BOLD and find ways to put our mission into action. During this current situation, let's continue to help each other and continue to live our purpose: "...be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.



### MAY 25, 2020

We remember, O Lord, all those people throughout the years who have made the supreme sacrifice for our country, for liberty, for us. Whenever we breathe the air of freedom or claim the right to justice or enjoy the privilege of worship, fill us with gratitude for those who selflessly gave the last full measure of devotion — their very lives — for our benefit.

May these brave men and women now know the joy of eternity and your presence. And may the families of the fallen receive comfort and peace amid their grief. Help us as we minister to their needs. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



You are encouraged to wear your bright reds, oranges, or yellows (even if we are still at home) to celebrate Pentecost on May 31<sup>st</sup>!

At *Pentecost* the disciples were baptized with the Holy Spirit and *fire*. *Fire* is needed to preserve unity. All disciples have this *fire* in themselves.

The Christian holy day of Pentecost, which is celebrated fifty days after Easter Sunday, commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles.

## **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.**

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>.

**Audio/Video/Streaming**

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